

Marshall Elementary School

2015/16 Marshall Messenger

Doing our **BEST** work
Being our **BEST** selves



Thursday, January 28, 2016

Weekly Calendar

8:10 a.m. – Supervision Begins

- Students should not arrive prior to 8:10 a.m. unless attending the St. Mark's Program

8:10 a.m. – Breakfast Begins

8:25 a.m. – First Bell

8:40 a.m. – Tardy Bell

3:20 p.m. – Dismissal

- Note: students not picked up by 3:30 p.m. will be sent to the office to call for a ride

AM Preschool: 8:35-11:05 a.m.

PM Preschool: 12:45-3:15 p.m.

Monday 2/1/16

16/17 Preschool Registration Opens
Community Groups

Tuesday 2/2/16

6:30 pm – Marshall PTO Mtg.

Wednesday 2/3/16

7:30 am – Marshall Site Council Mtg.

Thursday 2/4/16

Take Home Folders go home

Friday 2/5/16

No School (Teacher PD Day)

Upcoming Events...

2/23 – Kdg / 3rd Grade Music Program

2/23 – No PM Programming

2/26 – 1st Grade to River Museum

2/29 – Conferences

3/1 – Marshall PTO Mtg.

3/1 – Community Groups

3/2 – Conferences

3/3 – Conferences

3/3 and 3/4 – No School

Principal's Corner

2016/17 Preschool: The Dubuque Community School District will be accepting registrations for the 2016/17 State-Wide Voluntary Preschool Program. Registrations will be accepted beginning Monday, February 1, 2016 on a first-come-first-served basis. Children must be four years old by September 15, 2016. All four-year-olds are eligible if they are a resident of the state of Iowa. You must provide proof-of-age upon registration, so please bring a birth-certificate, passport, or a signed immunization record as proof-of-age. Please contact the school office for more information.

2016/17 Kindergarten:

On Tuesday, February 16 we will hold office hours of 3:30-6:00 p.m. to receive paperwork for all incoming kindergarten students for the 2016/17 school year. This is an opportunity for parents to complete the necessary paperwork they need to have on file prior to their child registering for kindergarten this summer. Families should have received a mailing from the district office. However, if you did not receive this information and you have an incoming kindergartner, please plan to attend this event. We will host an Open House event later in the year, so students do not need to attend this event. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

DCSD - Food Service Substitutes Needed...

Food and Nutrition Services has employment opportunities available for substitute food service workers across the district. High school diploma required.

Applications available at:

www.dbqschools.org

Click on Careers

SES Program...

Qualifying families received a letter that offers Supplemental Education Services or tutoring. If you received this letter in the mail, we encourage you to take part in this free service. If you have questions please contact the school office or Carol Duehr at 563-552-5772 or Heather Gudenkauf at 563-552-5778.

It's a Great Day to be a Marshall Eagle!

Kindergarten News...

The Kindergarteners have done a terrific job of getting back into learning and school routine since winter break. The cold weather has made it difficult to get outdoors for fresh air so we have allowed for many movement opportunities in the classroom, like dancing, signing, and fun centers.

They are becoming readers right before our eyes, and we are proud of their accomplishments! In Lead 21, we are finishing up our Unit on Outdoor Explorers. Our focus has been on how the weather changing with the seasons and the effects on the world around us. We have discussed human and animal adaptations and we furthered our exploration at the National Mississippi River Museum. Our students were excellent representatives of Marshall.



This trimester in Science, Mrs. Ellerbach's students have enjoyed learning about animals and their behaviors and habitats. Mrs. Moeggenberg's class has been learning about wood, water, paper, fabric, and other resources that we use in our daily lives. Students have been very involved in these hands on experiences.

In math we are practicing estimation, measurement and continuing our counting goal to 100. Students are also learning to solve simple math problems using a variety of strategies.

Mrs. Ellerbach
Mrs. Moeggenberg

Preschool News...

The winter months are great in preschool. We have made changes in our room to keep the children active and busy. In the discovery center we added Insta-Snow. The Insta-Snow came in our Pint-Size Science kits, and it grows and gets cold like snow. The children really enjoyed it, and if you would like to do this at home as well you can purchase the snow at Hobby Lobby. We have also been developing our fine-motor skills with snow play dough! Lastly, we changed the dramatic play center into a veterinarian's office. The children are practicing their writing skills when filling out the patient chart and doctor charts. The children are also learning how to be kind and caring to animals.

Mrs. Allen

Winter Weather Guidelines...

* Students will be outside in the morning for line-up and for recess if the wind chill is zero degrees or above, so make sure they always wear the proper clothing for the weather.

* All students are required to bring boots to school every day beginning with the first snowfall. Additionally, students should have winter coats, hats and mittens / gloves at school each day.

* Students should have an extra pair of shoes at school (in addition to their boots), so they have something dry to wear on their feet during the school day.

* If students do not have boots they will be expected to remain on the blacktop at recess time, in

order to keep their shoes and feet dry.

* All students who play in the snow or on the field are required to wear snow pants, hat, gloves and boots.

* **Note:** Families who need hats or gloves/mittens for their child should contact the school office as we have received donations from community groups for these items. Families are strongly encouraged to label your child's clothing with their first and last name. This will assist students to locate any lost or misplaced items.

FIRST 5 School Bus Rules...

* Sit facing forward and stay seated @ **all times**.

* Do **NOT** distract the driver with inappropriate behavior.

* **Respect** the driver, attendant, and other students.

* Do **NOT** bully or harass physically or verbally.

* **NO** eating or drinking on the bus and "leave no trace"

Celebration Guidelines...

Birthdays and holidays are so exciting to celebrate! We often celebrate these special occasions with snacks, but due to our school and district wellness policy and possible allergies in the classrooms, we ask that you **DO NOT** send edible treats to school. Although it is not expected, you may choose to send something for a special occasion. If you do, we ask that it be nonedible as all edible treats will **NOT** be passed out and will return home.

Thank you for your support in following our school and district wellness policy.