

Marshall Elementary School

2016/17 Marshall Messenger

Marshall students are...

Respectful, Responsible & Caring



Thursday, February 23, 2017

Daily Schedule

8:10 a.m. – Supervision Begins

- Students should not arrive prior to 8:10 a.m.

8:10 a.m. – Breakfast Begins

8:25 a.m. – First Bell

8:40 a.m. – Tardy Bell

3:20 p.m. – Dismissal

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

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

Monday 2/27/17

No Calendar Events

Tuesday 2/28/17

2:15 pm – Kdg. / 3rd Music Program

6:30 pm – Kdg. / 3rd Music Program

Wednesday 3/1/17

No Calendar Events

Thursday 3/2/17

4:00 pm – Marshall PTO Splash Bash

Take Home Folders go home

Friday 3/3/17

1-hour late start (District PD)

2:25 pm – Community Groups

Monday 3/6/17

No Calendar Events

Tuesday 3/7/17

No Calendar Events

Wednesday 3/8/17

Spring Picture Day

Thursday 3/9/17

Take Home Folders go home

Friday 3/10/17

1-hour late start (District PD)

Principal's Corner

2017/18 Preschool: The Dubuque Community School District will be accepting registrations for the 2017/18 State-Wide Voluntary Preschool Program. Registrations will be accepted beginning Monday, February 6, 2017 on a first-come-first-served basis. Children must be four years old by September 15, 2017. 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.

Spring Break: Reminder that we will NOT have school Monday, March 13 through Friday, March 17 due to Spring Break.

PTO Splash Bash: The Marshall PTO will be sponsoring a Splash Bash on Thursday, March 2 from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. at the Grand Harbor Resort.

Flu Season: Along with the recommendation that all staff and students receive the flu vaccine, the Dubuque Community School District will start the implementation of not returning to school until free from fever (greater than or equal to 100 F), diarrhea or vomiting without use of medications for 24 hours to help reduce the spread of germs that cause diarrhea, colds and

influenza. In addition, we will be reminding staff and students of the importance of good handwashing.

If you have any questions about whether your child is well enough to attend school, please contact the Marshall Health Office to speak with our school nurse or health paraprofessional.

DuTrac Kidz-R-Us...

Come to DuTrac Kidz R Us in the month of March. During March-"You Gotta Catch Em All"-anyone making a deposit of \$3.00 or more will receive a Pokemon Monster (keychain, plastic card or spinner)-a different item each week during March, PLUS you get your name into a drawing to win a 7" plush Pokemon and Pokemon motion activated sensor. If you don't already have an account come and open a new account. Think about joining in on the fun and saving money.

Health Education...

The topic for March is Substance Use/Misuse. This month's health topic focuses on safe use of medications and health risks of alcohol, tobacco and other legal/illegal substances. Children also learn and practice refusal skills.

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

Title I News...

Make Time to Read!

Reading aloud to children is “the single most important activity for building the knowledge required for eventual success,” says the U.S. Department of Education in its booklet *Becoming a Nation of Readers*. Whether after dinner, before bed, or whatever time best fits your family schedule, set aside 15 or 20 minutes a day to introduce the pleasure and the adventure of reading to your child.

Here are 10 reasons to read books:

- * Books make excellent companions. This is also true of pets, but books do not shed on your favorite sweater!
- * Books fit perfectly in pockets. (Maybe not hardcover books, but that’s why backpacks were invented.)
- * Books can be enjoyed anytime, anywhere – with the possible exception of under your desk when you’re supposed to be listening to your teacher!
- * Books do not require assembly or batteries.
- * Books are the cheapest way to travel.
- * The characters in books will become your friends.
- * When a book is well written, it will make you feel things you’ve never felt before. It will also make you think. This is good.
- * Books stretch your imagination.
- * Books are a private thing. When you’re reading, you can just relax and be yourself. You don’t even have to act cool. Honest.
- * Books are full of words. Words are full of power and possibilities. There’s no better place to find words than in BOOKS!!

So tonight, turn off the television, pull up a quiet chair, and savor the pleasure of reading with your child!

Mrs. Felderman
Mrs. Moldenhauer

Counselor News...

In classroom guidance lessons, K-2nd grade students have been learning and reviewing the difference between tattling and reporting. We discussed the “Tattle Rules” and determined when it is important to either report something to an adult or when we can be problem solvers and fix our own problems. Upcoming lessons will focus on learning about “tools” they can use to resolve conflicts with classmate.

3rd graders are learning about managing anger. They have learned about the cues their bodies give them when they are beginning to get angry (face gets red/hot, heart beats fast, muscles tense, thinking shuts down, etc.). We studied the character Anger from clips of the movie, “Inside Out”, to see if we could spot his body cues. We also read the book, *Soda Pop Head* to learn more about how anger can build and blow up causing our thinking to shut down and bad choices to be made. We read about several different calm down strategies that we will practice during our next class.

4th graders are also learning about managing anger. We reviewed body cues and began learning about what an anger trigger is. They know that certain things, situations, or environments may cause them to get angry. Knowing what may cause them to get angry can help them to either avoid those triggers or to make a plan for how to remain calm if they know they are going to be triggered. We will also focus on calm down strategies in upcoming lessons.

As 5th graders begin to prepare for middle school, we have been talking about peer pressure. We played a game called, “bet you can’t” where students were challenged to see if they could make it through a “gauntlet” of laughing, joking peers without

folding to the pressure and smiling (ask your 5th grader about it- they had a blast!). In our next lesson we’ll talk about and role play different strategies for handling and resisting peer pressure.

Mrs. Hunold

Drug Collection Box...

The Dubuque County Sheriff’s Office is proud to announce, in partnership with the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Northern District of Iowa, the installation of a new drug collection box. The collection box is located inside the entryway at the Dubuque Law Enforcement Center (770 Iowa Street). We will accept pharmaceutical drugs, as well as illicit substances, which will be collected and sent away for destruction. Drop-offs can be made anytime, day or night, 365 days a year. Anyone wishing to make a drop-off simply needs to walk up to the box, take a plastic bag from the dispenser on the top of the collection box, place their drugs inside the bag, and place the bag inside the mail slot. We welcome anyone to use this collection box to dispose of their excess drugs, which we hope will reduce their availability on the streets of our community and in turn make the Dubuque County area a safer place for our families.