

# **Marshall Elementary School**

## **2016/17 Marshall Messenger**

### **Marshall students are...**

### **Respectful, Responsible & Caring**



**Thursday, March 9, 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 3/20/17**

Jefferson to visit 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Tuesday 3/21/17**

9:30 am – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade to Art Museum

6:30 pm – Choral Festival @ Hemp HS

**Wednesday 3/22/17**

No Calendar Events

**Thursday 3/23/17**

6:30 pm – Marshall PTO Mtg.

Take Home Folders go home

**Friday 3/24/17**

1-hour late start (District PD)

11:50 am – Career Café (5<sup>th</sup> Grade)

**Monday 3/27/17**

No Calendar Events

**Tuesday 3/28/17**

No Calendar Events

**Wednesday 3/29/17**

9:15 am – Body Bee @ Clarke (5<sup>th</sup>)

**Thursday 3/30/17**

9:15 am – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade to River Museum

Take Home Folders go home

**Friday 3/31/17**

1-hour late start (District PD)

Loras College Dance Marathon

## **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.

**Flu Season:** 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.

## **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.

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

## PE News...

With the start of March here, we have increased our jog time to 8 minutes at the beginning of class. We increase the jog by 1 minute every month to have a gradual increase. If the students are pushing themselves during this time, they will definitely improve on their pacer and half-mile tests at the end of the school year. We completed the students' second Pacer and Half-mile tests in January and many students went down in performance. This can be typical because of students staying indoors during the winter months. With the favorable weather, we have been having, I encourage all students to get outside and get active.

In March, Leisure Services offer students a track program. I hope that all fourth and fifth graders that are able take this opportunity and participate. It ends with the citywide elementary track meet at Dalzell Field. This meet will expose our students to a great atmosphere where students with the same interests will be attending. For many students this will be their first individual competition, which can be a learning experience. They will learn to be a driven, but compassionate competitor.

All classes continue to work in class on cardio activities as well as certain motor skills, such as throwing, catching, and kicking. Many of these activities also address teamwork and working together as a group.

I would also like to thank Mr. Maloney for the purchase of two new basketball boards, scoreboard, basketball rack, and many basketballs for Marshall. Mr. Maloney wrote a DRA grant for this equipment. The students and I greatly appreciate this equipment.

Mrs. Osweiler

## First Grade News...

For LEAD21, first graders are learning about history! We have read many stories about our past and are learning lessons from their messages. One reading strategy we have been focusing on is rereading if we don't understand the text. We also have been making predictions and then checking our predictions by reading. We have learned that many books have table of contents and an index. Our next LEAD21 unit will focus on plants and animals in different habitats, such as the desert, forest, swamp, grassland and ocean. We have an upcoming field trip scheduled to the National Mississippi River Museum to learn more about habitats.

In math, we have been working on a variety of concepts. We recently worked on using facts that we know to help us solve facts that we don't know. For example, if we know  $3+5=8$ , then we know that  $30+50=80$ . We have also been working on place value! We discovered how to find volume (cubic units) and height (floors) of different objects. We continue to enjoy working on different story problems and sharing our thinking.

In social studies, we are learning about the importance of rules. We have discovered that even though rules aren't always fun, they are needed! We have been discussing leaders in our school, community, and country. After we complete social studies, we will move into our next science unit called "Pebbles, Sand & Silt". We will work as geologists!

In writing, we just finished our stories. We learned that stories must have characters, setting, problem and solution, and be organized with a beginning, middle, and end. Our next project is to turn an autobiography into a powerpoint, which will go into our portfolios. We truly enjoy writing

our ideas and sharing them with our classmates!

We have enjoyed working with our 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Buddies on fun projects. We created a "Friendship Tree" with our handprints, as we want to show kindness to everyone. We also celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday by creating fun socks with magical powers.

We are excited for all of the fun and learning that is yet to come in trimester 3!

Mrs. May  
Mrs. Runde

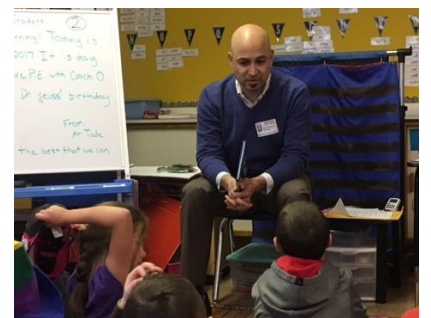
## School Pigs...



Guest from Sunnycrest enjoying the Marshall Music Program



Read Across America Day!



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