Marshall Elementary School 2014/15 Marshall Messenger Doing our <u>BEST</u> work Being our <u>BEST</u> selves



Thursday, September 24, 2015

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 9/28/15

No Calendar Events

Tuesday 9/29/15

No Calendar Events

Wednesday 9/30/15

No Calendar Events

Thursday 10/1/15

8:55 am – Community Groups Take Home Folders go home Marshall Messenger goes home

Friday 10/2/15

1-hour late start Custodian Appreciation Day

Opcoming Events...

10/6 - Marshall PTO Mtg.

10/7 – Marshall Site Council Mtg.

10/9 – No School (District PD Day)

10/14 – Life Skills (3rd Grade)

10/16 – Guest Speaker (3rd Grade)

10/21 - Fall Picture Day

10/21 – Life Skills (3rd Grade)

10/26-30 - Conference Week

Principal's Corner

Visitors: ALL visitors coming to school, during school hours, will need to enter through the front door (on the Rhomberg side of the building). Any visitor coming to the back of the building will be directed to walk around to the Rhomberg entrance. This practice will allow us to better monitor visitors to our building while classes are in session.

Before/After School

Programs: Students participating in our Before and/or After School Programs hosted by St. Mark's and Leisure Services will need to enter and exit the building through Door #5 (on the Garfield side of the building). Questions regarding availability for either of these programs can be directed to St. Mark's (582-6211) or Leisure Services (589-4263).

Kids Expo...

Who: Families/caregivers and children age 0 through elementary-school age

What: Everyone is invited to attend Kids Expo-Dubuque County, a wonderful family event. There is no charge and all activities are FREE!

Where: Grand River Center, 500 Bell Street, Dubuque When: Saturday, October

10 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Kids Expo-Dubuque County will offer health services for children, including immunizations, flu shots, oral health screenings, lead testing, vision checks, and developmental screenings. For immunizations and lead tests, families should make an appointment in advance through the Visiting Nurse Association at 556-6200.

This expo will bring together a variety of businesses and organizations with programs or services for families/caregivers of young children. Participants can attend at no charge and visit over 60 booths to ask questions and gather information about services offered to children and their families.

Throughout the day, entertainment and hands-on games, activities, and more will be available for the children. Free giveaways are offered at many of the exhibitor's booths. Don't miss it!

Questions? Go to www.dcearlychild.org (click on Projects, then Kids Expos) or call the expo producer, Dubuque County Early Childhood, at 588-1620 or check out "Kids Expo-Dubuque County" on Facebook.



Art News...

Parents, please consider providing an art shirt for your student in order to protect school clothing. Shirts will be kept at school in child's locker. The best art shirt is simply an OLD, oversized t-shirt or button up shirt from mom, dad, grandma, grandpa or the garage sale down the street!

Looking forward to a great year and some productive messiness!

Thank you. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Mrs. Lerche

First Grade News...

The first graders have been working hard learning the rules and routines of first grade! We have learned many new things about one another and have already made some great new friends. We have also read the book *Have you Filled a Bucket Today? by Carol McCloud* and have focused on ways we can fill each other's buckets. We say the following "pledge" each morning to remind us of our job as "Bucket Fillers":

I'm a Bucket Filler
Each and every day
Kind things I do
Kind things I say.
And I do my best
Not to ever dip
And I say ''I'm sorry''
If I ever dip.

We have also been focusing on "Being Our Best Selves and Doing Our Best Work." We have been doing this by learning about what it means to be respectful, responsible, and caring. We brainstormed ideas how we can demonstrate these character traits at school and then

created a class compact to show our commitment to show good character.

In the next few weeks, we look forward to getting into a daily routine of reading groups, math, health, and social studies. The students are also excited to persevere so that they can learn and "grow" their brains.

Mrs. May and Mrs. Runde

Title I News...

The Title I Marshall Team of Mrs. Heather Felderman and Mrs. Lisa Moldenhauer would like to welcome everyone back for the 2015-16 school year. We hope you enjoyed your summer with reading a good book or two!

Title I was established to provide financial assistance to local school districts to help them develop programs for children in low income areas. The main objective is to help children succeed in the regular classroom. Title I does not take the place of the regular classroom, rather it supports and supplements. The purpose of Title I is to help every child receive a high quality education, strengthen parent involvement, provide professional development for teachers, and meet the requirements of the "No Child Left Behind" federal mandates.

The Title I teachers are assessing K- 3rd grade students on their reading and writing skills and meeting with classroom teachers to select students that may need supplemental reading and writing instruction in a small group setting. Once selection is made and permission is given by parents; students will work on a variety of reading and writing activities. These lessons may be taught one-to-one or in small groups. The lessons are based on the child's

strengths and weaknesses with the focus on developing strategies that good readers and writers use.

Best wishes for an outstanding school year with many successes!

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Mrs. Felderman Mrs. Moldenhauer

Attention 1st Grade Families...

Plan to attend the First Grade Reading Night with your child during John Marshall Open House Night.

Who: 1st graders and their parents

What: First Grade Reading Night

When: Thursday, September 24, 5:15-5:45

Where: 1st grade classrooms

Why: Learn about expectations for reading at home and ways you can help your child at home. If your child is receiving Title 1 reading support, you'll have a chance to talk with Mrs. Moldenhauer and Mrs. Felderman about what they do during their lessons.

*Each child who attends with his or her parent(s) will get a **FREE** book!!!!

