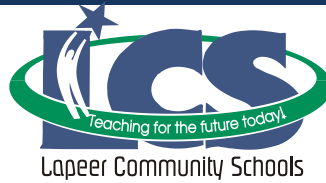


Murphy Elementary Newsletter

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LOOKING FOR A WOOD WORKER

Murphy staff is looking for a volunteer interested in refinishing the seat on the bench outside the office. The bench came from Hadley Elementary and we would like to keep it in our lobby but it needs a little work. If you are interested please contact the office at 810-538-2345.

OUR TALENT SHOW

Don't forget to come and support our talented Murphy Students at the 3rd annual Talent Show. It will be Friday, May 16th at Lapeer East Auditorium at 6pm. Come join the fun!

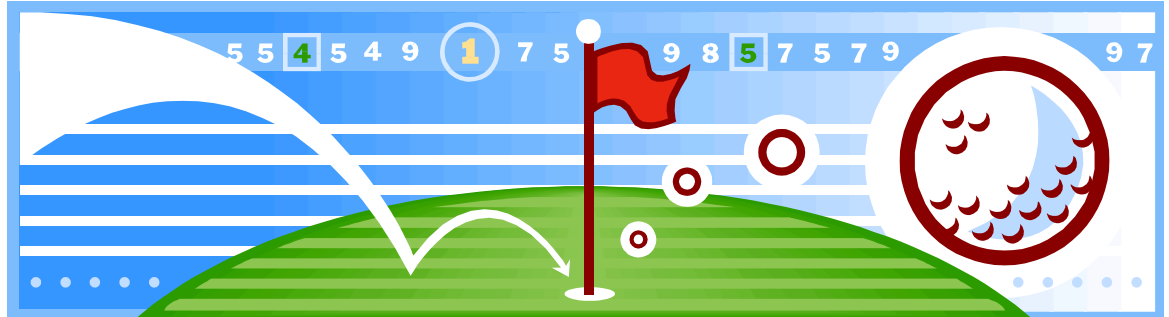
TEACHER REQUEST

If you would like to put in a teacher request for next year the deadline is May 16th. The forms are in the office. If you turn the request in after the deadline we will date it and try to accommodate your request. Please remember we try very hard to honor parent's request but sometimes we are not able to.

2014/15 BABYSITTER DEVIATIONS

Now is the time to turn in your babysitter Deviation Forms for next school year. The bus garage will be working on bus routes during the summer and will need this information.

From the Principal's Desk



June 7th — Annual Murphy Golf Outing at Metamora Country Club

Last week registration forms were sent home for our annual Murphy Golf Outing at Metamora Country Club on June 7th. Throughout the school year parents are often bombarded with different fundraisers and collections for various good causes, but nothing provides more directly for Murphy students than the golf outing. Over the last 10 years, we have raised a total of **over \$50,000** through the golf event alone!

This past year, we purchased 30 iPads for the students due in large part to funding that was raised. The kids and staff have embraced this new technology and students have never been more engaged with these 21st century tools. It is our hope to be able to purchase 60 new iPads, two power sync carts, and valuable internet based software that allows students to learn at their own pace.

For \$300 a team (\$75 a person) you will get a full round of golf, a great lunch buffet, and the chance to win some terrific prizes. When I say prizes, we don't just mean a couple golf balls, but hot air balloon rides, golf packages, dinners, and even a Ray C's, ATV! Every participant will get their own Murphy Lightning cooler as well. The outing is a scramble format, so even the worst golfers will have a great time. Just ask me, I'm terrible and have a blast at golf outings!

The best part is, 100% of the profits will go directly toward the technology purchases for the 2014-2015 school year. We have a goal at Murphy Elementary to be able to put one iPad, laptop, or a tablet in every student's hand within five years.

We are hard at work trying to secure grants to help with this process, but the families at Murphy have always stepped up and are the school's biggest supporters. We urge you to get a team together and enjoy a day of golf while helping the school provide our students with a world class education complete with all the advantages technology has to offer. Even if you don't choose to golf, you can support the event by volunteering or through numerous types of sponsorship. Sponsor and registration forms can be found on Murphy's website or you can pick one up in the office.

Please call or email Jerri in the office at 810-538-2345 or contact Debbie Bridges at 810-441-3023 if you have any questions.

Hole in ONE Sponsor



Hope to see you there,
Jeff Stanton, Principal

CONTACT INFO

Please make sure the office has you're up-to-date information. We will be mailing the last report card home. If your address has changed you must fill out an address change form and bring in 2 proofs of residency. Your proofs should be your driver's license with the new address on it and a bill, mortgage, lease, etc. that has your name and new address on it. If you have changed your phone number recently please make sure we have the new number.

CLEAN UP DAY

We are looking for volunteers to help clean up the grounds at school. We are planning on Saturday, May 31st, weather permitting. We will be painting playground equipment, cleaning out flower gardens, picking up trash and whatever else we need to do to make our school look beautiful. More information will be coming home as the date gets closer.

MEDICATIONS

Please remember to come into the office at the end of the year and pick up any medicine that belongs to your child. We are not allowed to send any medicine home with your child. Any medicine not picked up will be tossed out.

**IMMUNIZATIONS
NEEDED BY 5TH
GRADERS**

In order for all 5th Grade students to be able to enter 6th grade next year, they need to be up-to-date on all immunizations. If there are any you are missing, please get the immunization as soon as possible to prevent him/her from being excluded in the fall. Turn the shot record into the office so they can update their file.

5th Grade Promotion

In just a few short months our 5th graders will walk our halls for the last time as Murphy students. They will soon become 6th graders at RW Middle School! Let's celebrate their accomplishments and their time here at Murphy. On Monday, June 16th, there will be a special luncheon for our Murphy 5th graders at 1:30. After the luncheon, at 2:40, there will be a school wide clap-out. Please join us to line the hallways and show our Murphy students how proud we are of them! Our 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony will be Monday, June 16th at 6pm. Please join us to say farewell to our Murphy 5th Graders.

Jump Rope for Heart

At the conclusion of the annual Jump Rope For Heart event, the school jump rope contest is held for any 3rd, 4th, or 5th grader who jumped for 3 consecutive minutes without stopping in P.E. class. This year the contest was held just before spring break. The contest ends when there is only one jumper remaining, and this year it was Charity Dundas. She was the school winner with a continuous jump of 14 minutes and 47 seconds!! Congratulations to Charity and all the other students who qualified!



Band News

The Murphy Beginning Band will be in concert on Wednesday, May 28th. They will perform along with the Zemmer 6th grade band at the East High School Auditorium. Band members are to report to the auditorium stage at 6:45 with their instrument and music. The concert will begin at 7pm and last approximately an hour. They should wear nice clothes on their premier performance!

The band will also perform at Murphy on June 16th as part of the Murphy 5th grade graduation ceremony.

Physical Education Update

During the last week of April, the physical education classes completed the push-up fitness test. The following students completed the most.

CLASS	BOY	GIRL
Miles	Corey Klug	Kyara Goss
Kopchick	Alex Przekora	Aubrey Weber
Pake	Kaden Capstick	Elle RaCoasta
Dodson	Ryan Clark	Nevaeh Moshier
Hayes	Nickola Mashni	McKenna Weatherhead
James	Tyler Preece	Rebecca Schultz
Chouinard	Liam Nass	Sylvia Gajewski
Steele	Cole Stevens	Gracelyn Papin
McCreedy	Michael Williams	Paige Erla
Withey	Tanner Hart	Lauren Aragones
Nugent	Jacob Ranney	Stephanie Gilling
Homer/Phillips	Riley LaFoy	Charity Dundas
Lawrence	Ramzi Mashni	Caitlyn Todd



**STUDENTS OF
THE MONTH**

Kindergarten

Ms. Gasieski
Gabriella Grossbauer

Mrs. Martin
Gavin Satkowski

1st Grade

Ms. Kopchick
Aubrey Weber

Mrs. Miles
Rosa Freeland

2nd Grade

Mrs. Pake
Kyle Chouinard

Mrs. Dodson
Zachary Yens

3rd Grade

Mrs. Chouinard
Sophia Smith

Mrs. Hayes
Ryan Garwolds

Mrs. James
Lily Williams

4th Grade

Mrs. McCreedy
Emily Chouinard

Ms. Steele
Peyton Ballard-McCrandall

Mrs. Withey
David Satkowski

5th Grade

Miss Lawrence
Connie Moore

Mrs. Nugent
Stephanie Gillings

Mrs. Phillips/Mrs. Homer
Payton Berard

MURPHY ELEMENTARY

PTC HAPPENINGS

April Flashback

The PTC had no events in April. However, we did have our nominations meeting for new board members. All the positions were open for new members. We only had a nominee for 1 position which was for the Treasurer role – Crystal Patton.

May and Beyond Preview & News

Next PTC meeting – the next PTC Meeting will be on May 13 at 8:15am in the Library. This meeting will be the official voting for next year's PTC board.



Teachers Appreciation Week festivities are occurring this week - May 5 – May 9. Food, prizes and thanks are being given to the teachers. The PTC had a HUGE outpouring of support for this event from the parents at Murphy and we want to send our sincerest thanks out to those who donated food, drinks, supplies and prizes to make the week so special for the teachers. Also thanks for the support of having your children return the teachers notes. This year **Italia Gardens** in Oxford donated lunch. Please thank them through your patronage. Let them know we appreciate it! Special thanks to **Jennifer Buhl** who coordinated the food, lounge decorating (it looks just awesome) and the gift bags, **Kim Dundas** for creating the teachers notes booklets and **Missy O** and **Evie Hamilton** who prepared the bulletin board (very very cute!!!) in celebration of Teachers Appreciation Week.

Year End Carnival - The Murphy PTC is sponsoring our 2nd annual year end carnival from 5:00 – 8:00pm on June 12! Come one, come all and celebrate the arrival of the last day of school. There will be a Silly String corral, dunk tank with Murphy Staff and other fun activities! If you would like to volunteer to help run any of the games or activities, please contact Holly Grzyb – hollymgrzyb@gmail.com.



Free Money for the PTC and Murphy

If you are shopping online through Amazon, please remember to start your purchase by clicking on the **Earn Money with Amazon.com** link at the bottom of the Murphy website (also here www.lapeerschools.org/murphy). This is free to you and no private information is shared with us.



The PTC also participates in the **Tyson A+ Program**. Please clip and save the “Support Your School” label on packages of Tyson products (like those chicken nuggets the kids just LOVE) and send them into the office.

Juice Pouch Brigade – Don't forget that we collect empty juice pouches. So help us help the environment and turn them in. Please try to make sure the pouches are clean on the outside, empty on the inside and leave the straw in (this prevents that little bit of juice that usually remains in the bottom from leaking out).





Collecting Box Tops and Campbells Soup Labels! These are a very effective way to get money and supplies into your children's classrooms and do not require any money out of pocket from you. Box tops go directly to your child's teacher. Campbell's soup money is pooled together and then used to purchase additional supplies.



Are you a CocaCola product drinker? Then collect the bottle caps and enter the points for Murphy School online. You can select the school to donate to. Thanks to Katie S for volunteering to help enter caps. If anyone else is also interested, please email the PTC and let us know. This is something you can do at home on your own time, no need to be at the school. We use the \$ to purchase school supplies and playground equipment too!



Murphy Elementary PTC is on Facebook. **"Like" us on Facebook** to get the scoop on our events.

Feel free to contact the PTC board at any time – murphy_ptc@yahoo.com. Board Member Contact Information: President – Holly Grzyb, hollymgrzyb@gmail.com, Vice-President – Dawn Ray, raydawn4@aol.com, Treasurer – Kathryn Dennis, kathden@gmail.com, Secretary – Debbie Martinez, debbielexi@yahoo.com, Communications Liaison – Robin Buchanan, mibigbird@yahoo.com



WELCOME
TO



MURPHY ELEMENTARY'S

FINE ARTS NIGHT

THURSDAY, MAY 29TH, 2014

• 5:30 - 7:30 PM

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"LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!"
A 2ND GRADE MUSICAL AT 6:15
DIRECTED BY MR. TOM KAISER



A FINE ART SHOW
A SCHOOL WIDE ART SHOW
DISPLAYED BY MS. KAILI BURGESS