Murphy Elementary Newsletter

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LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

The last day of school for Murphy will now be Monday, June 17th, 2013.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR 2013-2014!

Our First day of school for the 2013/2014 school year will be Tuesday, September 3, 2013.



Student of the Month

Kindergarten

Mrs. Vettraino

■ Joshua Lilly

Mrs. Martin

Lucas McLaren

1st Grade

Mrs. Beachum

Gabe Warnke

Mrs. Miles

Alaina Prezkora

Ms. Kopchick

Logan Woollard

2nd Grade

Mrs. Halibecky

Sylvia Gajewski

Mrs. Hayes

■ Jacob LaBar

Mrs. Pake

Madison Porritt

3rd Grade

Mrs. Duncan

Alyvia Li

Ms. James

Marley Fletcher

Mrs. Withey

Dominic Lake

4th Grade

Mrs. McCreedy/

Ms. Beaudette

Jack Davis

Ms. Rehm

Ramzi Mashni

Ms. Steele

Connie Moore

5th Grade

Mrs. Phillips/

Mrs. Homer

Andrew Prezkora

Mrs. Nugent

Tom Tunison



REPORT CARD PICKUP

Report cards can be picked up in the Murphy Office on Thursday, June 20th until 2:00PM. The remaining cards will be mailed on Friday.

2013/2014 PTC Board Members

We would like to welcome Mrs. Holly Grzyb as President, Mrs. Dawn Ray as Vice President, Mrs. Debbie Martinez as secretary, Mrs. Kathryn Dennis as Treasurer and Mrs. Robin Buchanan as our communication liaison. We are looking forward to a new and exciting year at Murphy.



Save the Date!

The Fifth Grade Promotion and Luncheon will take place on Thursday, June 13th.

The luncheon will be during the day and the promotion ceremony will be in the evening at 6:00PM in the gym. The luncheon is for students only and the ceremony will be for students and families. Parents are welcome to join us for the clap-out at 2:45 after the luncheon.

MUCHAS GRACIAS!

Thanks to all of our parents that donated goodies for our Fiesta. The children enjoyed the chips and salsa and leaned about the *Cinco de Mayo* celebration.

FALL KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

We have tentatively scheduled Kindergarten Orientation on Monday, August 26th. You will receive more information in the mail prior to the 26th.



We all know that kids who read in the summer are more likely to keep many of the skills they've worked so hard all year to gain. Here's one way to make summer reading a special event!



Join us on the following dates in the Hadley Elementary parking lot (11:00 – 12:00) or the Metamora Lions Hall (1:00 - 2:00) to get some great summer reads. Current and future Murphy students are invited to come and borrow books at absolutely no charge! Keep them, read them, love them, and then return them the next time the Bookmobile visits. Join us once or all five times – whatever fits your schedule!

The Bookmobile will roll on the following dates:

- ✓ June 26
- √ July 10
- √ July 24
- ✓ August 7
- ✓ August 21

Each visit will have a special theme with prizes and fun. Look for the big mobile home with "Bookmobile" on the side. We can't wait to see you to share great summer reading!

Volunteers

We would like to extend a huge thank you to all of our volunteer parents, students and staff who have worked hard and tirelessly this school year on so many special programs and events. We appreciate each and every one of you and all of your efforts. We commend you for going above and beyond. All of you make Murphy a special place for our children.



MEDICINE

All medicine must be picked up by 2:00PM on Thursday, June 20th. Any medicine left will be discarded. Medicine cannot be brought home on the bus.

Class List for 2013-2014

Welcome letters will be sent home in August telling you who your child's teacher is for next year, bus information, and other important information. Please do not call the office requesting class list information. Information will NOT be given out over the telephone.



Please Check Lost & Found

Please remember to check your child's locker and our Lost & Found box in the gym to gather all belongings on the last day.

Any items not picked up will be donated to Goodwill.

June 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					Mrs. Pake's Special Person day 1:30- 3:00pm	1 12th Annual Golf Outing Metamora Country Club
2	3 Mrs. Withey Stanley School Mrs. Hayes's Special Person day 1:30- 3:00pm	4	5 Student of the Month Lunch with Mr. War- ren 5th Grade Band Con- cert 6:30PM Rolland Warner	6 Mrs. Halabecky's Spe- cial Person day 1:30- 3:00pm	7 LINKS to Bear Lake	8
9	10 Mrs. Duncan Stanley School	11	12 Ms. James Stanley School PTC 8:15am	13 5th grade Graduation 6-8PM 5th Grade Lunch in the Gym	14 Field Day	15
16	17 Honors Assembly for 3rd and 4th grade. 8:30AM Carnival 5-8PM	18	19	Report Card Pickup until 2:00PM Remaining Report Cards will be mailed.	21	22
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MURPHY ELEMENTARY

PTC HAPPENINGS May 2013



As the school year draws to a close, the PTC would like to extend a hearty THANK YOU to our many parent volunteers who helped make our events this year such a huge success. We could not have done it without you. We would also like to call out some of our local businesses who have helped through donations.

Metamora Foodland Smalltown Dollar Elba Corners Olive Garden

iPad fund raising – The PTC has Raffle Tickets for sale to raise money to put iPads in our school. The more we raise, the more we get. If you are interested in purchasing some tickets, they are available in the office or through one of the PTC members. The winner will be chosen at the Carnival.





Year End Carnival - The Murphy PTC is sponsoring a year end carnival from 5:00 – 8:00pm on June 17! Come one, come all and celebrate the last day of school. There will be a Silly String corral, dunk tank with Murphy Staff and other fun activities! Every student who attends school on June 17 will automatically get 2 tickets for the

attractions and also be entered to win an iPad raffle ticket (1 ticket will be awarded per teacher). If you would like to volunteer to help run any of the games or activities, please contact Holly Grzyb – hollymgrzyb@gmail.com.

Spirit Wear Blow Out!!! - All of the Murphy spirit wear that we have left is being clearance priced! We have children's hooded sweatshirts in pink and gray and all styles and sizes for adults (t-shirts, hoodies and sweatshirts). Limited size/style combinations and quantities so get 'em while we got 'em. Blow out prices - kids sweatshirts \$5, adult t-shirts \$5, adult hooded and zippered sweatshirts \$12. Contact any one of the PTC members to set you up and show your Murphy pride!





We are already thinking about next year and are planning a **Fall Craft Show!** It will be held on Saturday, **October 19 from 9am – 4pm**. If you are interested in reserving a spot at the Craft Show, please contact Holly Grzyb at 810-441-7509 or email hollymgrzyb@gmail.com.

<u>Facebook and Email spirit wear winners</u> – The winners of the spirit wear giveaway based on FaceBook friends and email addresses who are on the PTC email list are:

Christy Smith Rachel Ragge

Thanks to everyone who did or were signed up to help us keep in touch electronically!

The Next PTC meeting is June 12th at 8:15 in the library. This is the first meeting with the new PTC board running it. Sincerest thanks to Missy Olejniczak and Kim Dundas who served as our president and vice-president this past year – it was a successful one! Welcome to Holly Grzyb and Dawn Ray who are joining! They have some big shoes to fill but we think they are up for it ©. We will also be finalizing and our Year End Carnival.

The following activities raise money for the PTC and hence the teachers and school. These are not out of pocket to the parents but can really add up. Please read below to remind you of ways to contribute which will cost you <u>no</u> extra money. It's so easy you can even ask friends, neighbors and relatives to help. Ya gotta like that! ©

<u>Juice Box Brigade</u> – Not only does this earn money but it is also a very green activity – helping to keep trash out of our landfills! Drop any foil type juice bag in the buckets that are in various locations throughout the school. In the past four years we have kept 52,903 pieces of garbage out of our landfills! Earning the school \$1052.60!!!



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.



Amazon.com

This is a no-brainer! The only catch is that you MUST start your Amazon shopping at the special Murphy link – go to www.lapeerschools.org/murphy, then click on the Amazon link at the bottom of the page. Murphy PTC receives money based on total purchases. There is no personal information shared with us regarding what you purchased. You can even use the school link to purchase books for Kindle readers too, EVEN FREE books count as items purchased!!

This program was started in November 2010 and since then we have earned almost \$2500! This is FREE money for us – no cost to you, no clipping or cutting, no selling or planning – just make sure to use the MURPHY LINK at the bottom of our school website. IT REALLY IS THAT EASY!



Are you a CocaCola product drinker? Then collect the bottle caps and enter the points for Murphy School. You can select the school to donate to.

Feel free to contact the PTC board at any time. PTC Contact Information: President – Holly Grzyb, ollymgrzyb@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