

Murphy Elementary Newsletter

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Last Day of School

The last day of school for Murphy will be Thursday, June 16, 2016. Our first day of school for the 2016-17 school year will be Monday, August 29th.

Medicine

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

Please Check Lost + Found

Lost and Found items will be displayed near the office during these last few weeks of school. Parents please look over the items if you are in the school for a PTC meeting, field trip or school event. Any items not picked up will be donated.

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.

PTC Board Members 2016-2017 School Year

We would like to welcome Mrs. April LaBar as President, Mrs. Ashley Robertson as Vice President, Mrs. Amber Steffler as Secretary, Mrs. Crystal Patton as Treasurer and Mrs. Lindsay Makela as our Communication Liaison. We are looking forward to a great year.

Class List for 2016-2017

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.



Lightning Leaders – 3rd Trimester

Mrs. Martin – Kindergartener
– Chloe Capizzo

Mrs. Pake – Kindergartener
– Josey Hosch

Mrs. Gardiner – 1st Grade
– Harper Yanuska

Mrs. Miles – 1st Grade
– Mariyah McNeil

Mrs. Campbell- 2nd Grade
– Jesse Aragones

Mrs. Dodson – 2nd Grade
– Riki Fujita

Mrs. Chouinard – 3rd Grade
– Autumn Mau

Mrs. Hayes – 3rd Grade
– Emma Zehr

Ms. James – 4th Grade
– Luke O'Donnell

Mrs. McCreedy – 4th Grade
– Briana Belanger

Mrs. Withey – 4/5 Split
– Riley McCreedy

Mrs. Nugent – 5th Grade
– Lily Williams

Mrs. Phillips – 5th Grade
– Joji Fujita

Bookmobile is coming for all Murphy Students!

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 at Marston Park (the old Hadley Elementary parking lot) from 11am–12pm or the Metamora Lions Hall from 1pm–2pm 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 four times – whatever fits your schedule!

The Bookmobile will roll on the following dates: June 29 July 13 July 27 August 10

Each visit will have a special theme with raffle prizes and fun! Look for the motor home with "Bookmobile" on the side. We can't wait to see you to share great summer reading! On your mark, get set, READ!

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GET SET...



READ!

Save the Date!

**Fifth Grade
Promotion and
Luncheon will take
place on Tuesday,
June 14th.**

The luncheon will be during the day and the promotion ceremony will be in the evening at 6pm 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 3pm after the luncheon.

2015-16 Gold/Silver Fitness Awards

Campbell

Jesse Aragones
Aidan Gleason-Hicks
Gavin Hibbler
Jonathan McLaren
CARSON OLEJNICZAK
Carly Baker
Hannah Grantham
Mollie Hamilton
Allison Steffler
Lilah Weber

Withey

Kyle Chouinard
Damion Earle
Brandon Li
ZAKERY OLEJNICZAK
Logan Woollard
Nicholas Champagne
Lukas Hart
Ginger Grzyb
Sophai Mazur-Batistoni
Shay Mullaney
Ally McNulty
SEPHORA MILLER
KAITLYN BUCHANAN
ELLAMAE GILLING

McCreedy

Briana Hearit
Josie Jacob
Alanna May
Elle RaCosta
Nick Dennis
Nickola Mashni
Andrew Olson
Raiden Smith
Connor Stiff
Owen Tottingham
Gardiner
Cierra Barker
ABIGAIL CAPSTICK
Olivia Hayes
Sophia Herrera
William Mauzy
Gavin Miles
Jack Smith
Tyler Sonnenberg
KODY WALTON
Miles
Aylah Wilk
Anthony Garcia
Cooper Hoyt
Justin Tebben

James

KADEN CAPSTICK
SCOTT LAKE
Jayden Henley
Fiona Betzold
Alaina Przekora
Charleah Whipple
Nugent
OWEN CAMPBELL
Colin Skindell
Michael Steffler
Ryan Garwolds
Julia Osentoski
Madison Porritt
Esmeralda Sanchez
Lily Williams
Phillips
SYLVIA GAJEWSKI
GABBY MIRZA
REBECCA SCHULTZ
Carter Dundas
Brett Fletcher
Joji Fujita
Brenden Keahl
Liam Nass
Bryson Stewart

Chouinard

Baylea Roerink
Kaydence Schudlich
Arianna Wright
Tyler Yens
Dodson
Chloe Eng-Wong
Madison Lance
Emmalee Vincent
Wyatt Betterly
Riki Fujita
Cameron Vanecek
Mitchell Ward
Hayes
JACKSON BLAINE
Camden Forgione
Lucas McLaren
ALEX PRZEKORA
Derek Durden
AVEREE BERARD
Jesi Caron
Kirsten Mauzy
Ariana Suttle
Kylie Walton
Aubrey Weber
EMMA ZEHR

Murphy staff would like to wish all of our parents and students a safe and fun summer!



Murphy Elementary Summer Reading Update

Summer is almost here! We're excited for warm weather, sun, and relaxing. **PLAN NOW** to make sure that books and reading are a fun part of your child's summer!

Did you know that kids who read during the summer are much more likely to keep the reading growth they've made? Kids who *don't read* during the summer can actually lose reading ability over the summer months.

We don't want kids to lose the skills they've worked so hard to gain. But keeping them is easy - all kids have to do is READ! Silly books, fun books, interesting books, enjoyable books - ones that are perfect for summer!

Ways to Encourage Summer Reading

1. Visit the Murphy Bookmobile! All kids are invited to visit to borrow free books for summer reading. Our schedule is on the back.
2. Visit the public library! Lapeer's library (visit www.library.lapeer.org) has a summer reading program as well as tons of special summer activities.
3. Try a new kind of reading. Magazines, maps, menus, online stories, directions, recipes, graphic novels, poetry, comics... Give one a try! Reading isn't just books.
4. Try out a new way to read. Read with a buddy, listen to an audio book (available at the library and the Bookmobile), read to a pet, read to a little brother or sister, or listen to someone read to you!

For questions, library information, or book recommendations, check with Amy Duncan, Murphy Learning Coach at aduncan@lapeerschools.org or 810-538-2345 ext. 4615.

Summer... It's the perfect time to relax with a great book!

Murphy Elementary Tee Off For Technology Golf Outing



Saturday, June 11, 2016
At
Metamora Golf & Country Club



Please join us for the 15th Annual
Tee Off for Technology Golf Outing

"Helping Students connect to the world..... TODAY!"

ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

Use of Driving Range
18 Holes of Golf with Cart
Course Contests
Team Photos
Buffet-Style Awards Dinner
Door Prizes & Raffles

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Registration 7:30 am
Shotgun Start 8:00 am
Lunch On the Course
Awards Dinner 1:00 pm

EVENT FEES

Registration- \$85 per golfer/
\$340 per foursome
Dinner Only Guest- \$25

For additional information, please contact:

Missy Olejniczak 810-656-9423 or misolejniczak@yahoo.com

Event Sponsorship Opportunities

A great way for your group or business to do a bit more!

Gold Sponsorship \$1,000

Sponsor's name will be featured on event materials and hole signage. Includes golf for four and awards dinner.

Beverage Cart Sponsorship \$500

Sponsor's name will be featured on a beverage cart throughout the day.

Table Sponsorship \$250

Sponsor's name will be featured on a table during the awards dinner.

Hole Sponsorship \$100

Sponsor's name will be featured on signage at one hole.

Donations Welcome!!!

Donated raffle and prize items are appreciated.
Donors will be acknowledged at the awards ceremony.

Registration Information

Captain _____ Shirt Size _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Player 2 _____ Shirt Size _____

Player 3 _____ Shirt Size _____

Player 4 _____ Shirt Size _____

Sponsorship Level _____

Total \$ _____

Method of Payment:

Cash Check Credit Card

Number _____ Exp. _____

Please make checks payable to: Murphy Elementary

Mail registrations and payments to:

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PTC HAPPENINGS

May 2016 News



Parent Welcome Packets The PTC created a parent welcome packet which was available to those who attended Kindergarten Round Up or Meet the Teacher Night. These packets contain information about the PTC and upcoming events along with forms, school calendar, PTC calendar and more! Email us if you would like us to get you a packet.



NEW This year - the PTC will be holding some of our meetings in the evening to allow more parents to get involved with the PTC. The PTC meeting schedule is the third Thursday of each month. Evening meetings will be held in the months of October, February and May.



PTC 2015-2016 Events Calendar The PTC met over the summer to plan activities and set budgets and goals for this school year. The calendar of activities is listed below. We hope to see you at some (or all) of the events! The PTC is always open to new suggestions and ideas to help promote our participation in our meetings or activities. If you have any thoughts on this, please let us know.

October 1, 2015	Fund Run	March 4, 2016	Chris Cakes
October 23, 2015	Halloween Happenings	March 7 & 8, 2016	Science Alive
October 26 & 28, 2015	Parent Teacher Conference Dinners	April 16, 2016	Murphy Crop
November 3 - 6, 2015	Penny Wars	April 16, 2016	Rummage Sale
November 7, 2015	Murphy Morning at the Movies!	May 2 - 6, 2016	Teachers Appreciation Week
December 8 - 11, 2015	North Pole Express	June 10, 2016	Carnival
		June 16, 2016	Field Day



School Store was started this year! You should have seen a note come home in your child's backpack. The school store sells, school supplies, locker accessories and other things. It runs once a month from February – May 2016 on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Items range in price from .25 to \$1.00. Proceeds go to the PTC.

Volunteer Opportunities! Each and every one of our events or fund raising activities requires volunteers. That is just the way it goes. The more volunteers we have the less time each person has to be working. Work during the day? We have events at night you can help with. Work at night? We have events during school days that need your assistance. Your kids will think you are the cool parent for being “behind the scenes” at the events (ask them, they will). Volunteering helps support the PTC and therefore your children. All money raised by the PTC goes directly back into the school. If you are interested in volunteering to help, in any way, please send us an email letting us know what you can sign up for.



May Review

The Next PTC meeting will be on Thursday, June 9th at 8:30 am in the library. Come join the meeting and meet your new PTC Board for the 2016/17 school year.

New board members: They are as follows: April Labar, President, Ashley Robertson, Vice President, Crystal Paton, Treasurer, Amber Steffler, Secretary, and Lindsay Makela, communications.

Past Events

Staff Appreciate Week was a success. It was enjoyed by all. Thank you to all that donated food and time. The staff was truly happy.

Upcoming Events

Year End Carnival will be held on June 10, 2016. The event will be filled with fun!! There will be inflatables, games and of course the silly string corral. There will be food available as well. Information has been sent home. Save the date, hope to see you there.

Field Day is going to be on Thursday, June 16. Flyers were sent out. Volunteers are always needed, so please sign up if you have the time.

“What does that PTC do, exactly? Where does the money go?” The answer is that it doesn't just go to support one thing or the other. There are some very fundamental/rudimentary things that the funds purchase like bus transportation for our kids to get to field trips such as the Detroit Institute of Arts, Tiger Stadium, Camp Copenconic and more. Each classroom gets publications that are funded by the PTC raised money. We bring Science Alive to Murphy each year. Playground equipment, teachers supplies and essentially, all the “little things”. But without those “little things” our students would not enjoy learning as much.



The PTC has an easy to remember **email address!** MURPHY_PTC@YAHOO.COM Please feel free to use it at any time to email us questions or comments. Our meeting minutes, newsletters and general messages will be coming out from this email address so add us to your list!

Free Money for the PTC and Murphy



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.



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. PTC Contact Information: President – Holly Grzyb, hollymgrzyb@gmail.com
Vice-President – April LaBar – ajlabar@gmail.com, Treasurer – Crystal Paton, drakecrystal22@yahoo.com, Secretary – Debbie Martinez, debbielexi@yahoo.com, Communications Liaison – Dawn Ray, raydawn4@aol.com.