



MARTINSON MESSENGER



Weekly Update

Feb. 3, 2019–
Feb. 9, 2019

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

The school year is more than half over, in fact the 100th day of school is this Thursday! The students are making enormous strides in their educational and social growth.

The MES Talent Show is in March and if your child wants to participate the required paperwork must be sent in by Friday. Packets are available in the front office. You may also contact Lindsay Van Kauwenberg and Robin Cahill at

martinsontalentshow@gmail.com .

Have a wonderful week!

This Week's Important Events at Martinson

MONDAY: Project Reach

TUESDAY: Dental Hygiene Program-Gr. PK-1

WEDNESDAY: Band & Strings Lessons

THURSDAY: 100th Day of School

FRIDAY: Enrichment-Gr. 5, Freedom Trail Performers, Talent Show forms are due

Here are important information links for this year.

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Jan/Feb Main Menu Choices

Monday: Dutch Waffles w/Maple Syrup

Tuesday: Tangerine Chicken w/Steamed Broccoli

Wednesday: Soft Taco

Thursday: W.W. Homemade Pizza

Friday: Toasted Cheese on W.W. Bread

School Nutrition Department has a NEW Electronic Free and Reduced applications please click on the link below to apply for Free and Reduced.

<http://nlappscloud.com/District.aspx?sdid=40&op=30dcb3efe164777986725f978cd9b4ba>

Nurses Corner

Attendance is taken very seriously, monitored closely at school, and determining whether or not to send your child to school during cold and flu season can be very challenging if they have symptoms. The following information has been sent to all school nurses from the DHP, as well as an article from the American Academy of Pediatrics:

NEW AAP POLICY STATEMENT - THE LINK BETWEEN SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND GOOD HEALTH

Being absent from school too often, **excused or not**, can put a child's academic achievement—and future health—at risk. A new policy statement from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) in the February 2019 Pediatrics, "**The Link Between School Attendance and Good Health**" (published online Jan. 28), recommends health care providers promote good school attendance as preventive medicine.

Defined as missing too much school for any reason, chronic absenteeism starting as early as preschool and kindergarten has been linked to poor educational and health outcomes, according to the AAP. Research shows that missing school a lot, whether from excused absences or truancy, makes students less likely to do well academically and more likely to drop out. This, in turn, puts them at risk for unhealthy behaviors by the time they reach their teens, and poor health as adults.

Please feel free to contact Nurse Mudge at 781-319-3985 at any time, I am happy to discuss concerns or questions about illness policies, or attendance protocols.



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For more information click the links below:
[MES Website](#) The [Recreation Department](#) will offer a variety of programs
Details on the above programs are listed in the Winter Community Brochure.



2/5: **Enrichment-Dental Hygiene Program-Gr. Pk-1**
2/7: **100th Day**
2/11: **School Council Mtg. - 3:30P**
2/15: **School Spirit Day, Gr. 3 Science Fair, 1:35-2:45**
2/18-2/22: **NO SCHOOL-VACATION**
2/26: **School Committee Mtg.-EWS, 7P**
2/27: **Enrichment Program Starts, 3-4P, 6Weeks**
2/28: **Talent Show Rehearsal, 1-3:15P**
3/5: **Enrichment- "Historical Perspective"-Gr. 3-5**

Notes from the Library

It's awards season and in the literary world, that means the Youth Media Awards.
This year's Caldecott winner is Hello Lighthouse by Sophie Blackall and the Newbery winner is Merci Suarez Changes Gears by Meg Medina,
Other award winners and nominees include The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle, The Rough Patch, The Stuff of Stars, Thank You, Omu!, Fox the Tiger, and The Girl Who Drew Butterflies.
Congratulations to all!



PTO NEWS

Thank you to those who attended Tuesday night's PTO meeting.

Are you interested in getting more involved with the school? We have two spots opening up for next year: Treasurer and K-2 Enrichment Coordinator. Please reach out to the PTO if you'd like more information on these positions. We'd love to get them filled early!

Tax time! Don't forget you can log in to the PTBoard and print your MES donations for the year. Here's how:

Log into your PTBoard account at <http://martinson.ptboard.com>

Select "Form & Payment" from the left side of the screen (5th option down)

Select the green "My Orders" button

Your orders will populate with an option to print receipt



Marshfield St. Patrick's Day 5K

Join approximately 4,000 runners, walkers and crawlers in Brant Rock in Marshfield for "America's Most Irish Road Race", the Ninth Annual Marshfield St. Patrick's Day 5K on Saturday March 16th! In eight years over \$600,000 has been raised for the Marshfield Education Foundation, with every penny going directly to grants to benefit the Marshfield Public Schools!

Register here! <https://racewire.com/register.php?id=9880>

Please check out the race web site <http://marshfieldstpatricksday5k.com/> where you will be able to find all the information on the race. Don't delay in registering; registration is only \$25 for adults through 12/31/18; \$30 thereafter and \$35 race week. Everyone that registers by February 19, 2019 will receive the outstanding long sleeve race shirt. Don't forget about team registration; create or join a team with friends and family!

Please like the Facebook race page: <https://www.facebook.com/Patty5k/> for up to date race information and share the event page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/2266115730286394/> Please let everyone know you are attending and forward to all your friends! Also follow the race on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/StPatricksDay5K>

Looking forward to seeing you on March 16, 2019! Slainte!