



MASTERS NEWS

MASTERS ELEMENTARY

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Valentine's Day parties for K through 5th grade will be held on Friday, February 14th, and will include a Sock Hop. K-2 students will participate from 2:10 - 2:55 p.m. and 3 - 5 students will participate from 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. K-2 students will exchange Valentine's Day cards immediately following their Sock Hop and 3-5 students will begin exchanging cards at 2:30 p.m. If your child is preparing valentines for his/her classmates, a valentine must be prepared for each child in the room so that all students feel special.

For your planning, there will be no school on Monday, February 17th, due to Presidents' Day.

Sincerely,

Lynnette Keyes
Principal

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher Conferences for the third quarter will be held on Wednesday, March 4th and Thursday, March 5th. Conference times will remain the same as they were for first quarter unless other arrangements have been made. Reminders are being sent home next Thursday (2/20) in the Thursday Folder and another reminder will be sent home on Monday, March 2nd. Please contact the school office at (531) 299-1800 as soon as possible if you do not receive a conference reminder or if you need to change your child(ren)'s conference time. Please also note there will be no school for all students on Thursday, March 5th and Friday, March 6th.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

As part of the bond issue, Masters Elementary will be adding four classrooms to the east side of the building and losing our six portables. Specialists currently working in the portables will be moved to the storm shelter this upcoming weekend and will begin working from their new location on Tuesday, February 18th. Existing portables will be demolished during spring break and construction on the additional classrooms will hopefully begin shortly thereafter.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

This is the time of year when winter weather and children's illnesses can take a toll on school attendance. But it's important to get your children to school every day possible. Try to develop a backup plan for getting your children to school in winter weather and try to keep them healthy. Dress them warmly for the cold weather and encourage them to wash their hands regularly. If your children do get sick, talk to a doctor or school nurse about whether they should come to school and when it is okay for them to return. Above all, let us know how we can help! We want your children and all our students to succeed. And that means attending school each and every day!

KIDS HEART CHALLENGE

In recognition of National Heart Month in February, Masters students will participate in a Kids Heart Challenge event complete with a variety of cardio activities, music and snacks during regular P.E. classes February 12th - 26th. This heart challenge will help students learn how nutrition and being active can help us live longer, healthier lives and develop habits to help keep our hearts healthy. An informational packet went home with students last week. Please see the registration information to register online. Students who register online (no donation needed) will receive a wrist band and participate in a silly string celebration.

CALENDAR

- 2/14 Valentine's Day Parties
Kdg - 2 - 2:10 - 2:55 p.m.
3 - 5 - 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.
- 2/17 No School
Presidents' Day
- 2/24 Second Grade Field Trip
SAC Museum
- 3/3 Teacher Appreciation
Day
- 3/4 Book Fair
4:15 - 7:00 p.m.
- 3/4 Parent/Teacher Conf.
4:20 - 7:50 p.m.
- 3/5 No School
- 3/5 Book Fair
12:30 - 7:00 p.m.
- 3/5 Parent/Teacher Conf.
12:20 - 7:50 p.m.
- 3/6 No School
- 3/9 -
3/13 Spring Recess
- 3/18 Kindergarten Field Trip
Fontenelle Forest



LOST AND FOUND

Please have your child check our lost and found box on a regular basis. Many, many new items show up daily. With winter upon us, everyone needs their coat, hat, gloves and scarf. Let's keep our students healthy and warm.

MODEL MONARCHS

As part of our MTSS-B plan, Model Monarch tickets are given out to students who display respect, responsibility and learning behaviors throughout the school day. When students are recognized for Model Monarch behavior in the classroom or receive a Model Monarch ticket in the common areas, they get to put their ticket into a weekly Friday drawing to receive a prize. Model Monarchs for the last two weeks are: Giovanni, Jeremy, Bowen, Markus, Alaysia, Payton, Kynleigh, Brayden, Zuri, Ezekiel, G'onna, Peyton, Preston, Anthonee, Micah, Zane, Noah, Dani, Deron, Bryant, Liam, KayaMarie, Kale, Deep, Caroline, Aweyes, London, Camila, Skye, Knight, Jaxson, Mya, Myka, LaVette, Gabe, Sean'Niece, The Da, Dariah, A'yaan, Elizeth, Devin, Kirsten, Maxlyn, Hannah, Isaiah, Kaniya, Nam, Khloe, Ivana and Coraj. Congratulations to all!



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YEARBOOK

The Yearbook Committee would like to remind all parents and guardians to send pictures taken during the school year of Masters events to Janelle.Sollenberger@ops.org so they may be used in the Masters yearbook. Pictures of classroom field trips, the Halloween parade and parties, spirit days, etc. would be greatly appreciated.

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