



April 13, 2018

News from the Principal...

MPS would like to announce our last day of school for the 17-18 school year will be **Thursday, May 31, 2018**. This is due to 3 snow days during the 17-18 school year. Students attend school only during the morning. MPS will not have preschool on May 31st. Dismissal times are as follows:

11:15 am - Middle School

11:30 am - High School

12 pm - Elementary

We will serve breakfast but will not serve lunch on Thursday, May 31st. We hope you will be able to join us at Morton! **Mark your calendars now and please meet us on the lawn at 11:50 am for our kick off to summer!**

All Things Morton

Conversation Starters...

If you got to be the teacher tomorrow, what would you do?

We are searching for a donation of boys PANTS and SHORTS size 4 and 5 for the health room.
Thanks for your consideration.

We invite you to our Health Materials Community Review Opportunity!

Where: Ron Witt Support Services Center (13737 Industrial Road)

When: April 12th and April 17th

Time: 6:30 pm to 8 pm

Mrs. Thibault needs a few supplies for **Fun Day (May 21st)!** If you can supply any of the following items, please reach out to Mrs. Thibault to make the necessary arrangements. Thank you!

***Four Giant Jenga Games (I am going to write on these so I would love to keep them)**

I could probably provide the lumber if someone is handy enough to build them!

***16-30 pool noodles**

***Straws (boxes)**

***20-30 Ping-Pong Balls**

***5 Plastic Pitchers or clear buckets**

***2 large containers of Cheese Balls (the kind you eat)**

***75 Shower Caps**

The mission of J. Sterling Morton Elementary School, whose culture unites families, guarantees all students develop the academic skills and character traits necessary for personal excellence and responsible citizenship through high-quality, innovative, engaging experiences in a challenging and nurturing environment.

Upcoming Events for our Mavericks!

Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
15	16 PTA Mtg. 6:30-7:30 pm	17 Art Club (kindergarten) 3:45-4:15 pm	18	19 Art Club (kindergarten) 3:45-4:15 pm	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28



We are proud of our 5th grade students for their service to our community!

Safety Patrol members April 13th (PM only) - April 27th (AM only)
Group 1: Gage, Lily A., Landon, Grace, Gino and Violet

It's time to begin preparing for the 2018-2019 school year! The development of class lists is a very important task that involves many people and a great deal of thought. As we create our class lists, we consider the following criteria:

- Balancing the male/female ratio
- Incorporating different academic levels of students
- Matching individual learning styles with teaching styles
- Keeping classroom social dynamic balanced

Although we would like to grant all requests, it would be impossible to do so--and could possibly jeopardize the integrity of the process. If there are truly unusual circumstances you feel must be addressed regarding your child's placement for next year, please follow these guidelines:

1. Send a dated and signed written request (letter or email) to Mrs. Bergstrom by **Friday, April 27, 2018**.
2. Describe your child's learning style and the type, not the name, of the teacher who would benefit your child. There must be an educational rationale for your request. "My daughter had Mrs. Smith and really liked her," is not an educationally sound reason.
3. Also consider that past requests to separate students may not be known, so if there are still issues you would like us to know about, please drop us a note!

Please keep in mind...teacher assignments can and will change in the coming months. We will be very deliberate about formulating the class lists for next year so that your child has a positive, productive experience.

Thank you to the MPS Board of Education members who serve our community:

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