



May 4, 2018

News from the Principal...

Next year we will have a new reading series called "Wonders" published by McGraw Hill. This new literacy program provides students with high-interest stories and rigorous instruction. Each child (in grades 1-5) will have two textbooks: The Reading Writing Workshop book and The Literature Anthology. Every child will also have a "Close Reading Companion" book. These are not workbooks - they will use the Close Reading Companion to cite, annotate, and integrate new learning. We will continue to use our Millard Writing Units of Study for Writing; these currently being revised to include additional mentor text ideas and lessons. We are excited about our new reading curriculum and look forward to sharing it with our students and families!

All Things Morton

Conversation Starters...

If you could choose, who would you like to sit by in class and why?

In preparation for the 2018-19 school year, Millard Public School District will again be utilizing the Online Registration (OLR) tool. OLR will electronically submit *most* of the required annual back to school information through the Infinite Campus Parent Portal.

IMPORTANT NOTES TO REMEMBER

- Only the parent/guardian(s) who is associated with the primary household address may update student/s information via the OLR system.
- The OLR portal for the 2018-19 school year will be available from **May 1, 2018 until August 1, 2018**.
- When the OLR process is complete, we will communicate other important registration information.

To access the OLR system please follow these steps:

1. Navigate to www.mpsomaha.org
2. Under Quick Links, select the Enrollment button
3. If you have a current Millard Public Schools student, select **Existing Family** to access the OLR system. All existing families will need an active IC Parent Portal account. If you do not have an active IC Parent Portal account, please call (402) 715-8751 prior to beginning the registration process. If you currently do not have any students enrolled in Millard Public Schools select the **New Family** button.
4. Follow the onscreen instructions to complete the student registration process.
5. If you do not have access to a computer and internet services, you may call Morton to set up a time to use a computer at the school or you may use a kiosk at the Don Stroh Administration Center at 5606 South 147th Street. The Millard Public Library is also aware of our process and will allow you to use a computer there as well.

COMING SOON!

Please send your BOXTOPS to Morton on or before May 23rd!

Each one is worth **10 cents!**

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.
6	STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK!!! Book Club 3:45-4:30 pm Band, Strings & Vocal Music Concerts 2:30 and 6:30 pm	STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK!!!	STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK!!! Safety Patrol Meeting 8-8:15 am	STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK!!! Our LAST DAY for Homework Help Club! See you in the fall!	STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK!!! FUN RUN!!! 2-3:45 pm Lemonade Stand on the lawn 3:45-4 pm	12
13	Nature Club (2 nd grade) 3:45-4:30 pm PTA Mtg. 6:30-7:30 pm	15	16 Enrichment Day!	17 4 th and 5 th grade TRACK MEET at MSHS Wellness Club (3 rd grade only) 3:45-4:15 pm	18 Lemonade Stand on the lawn 3:45-4 pm	19

Our last day of school is **Thursday, May 31, 2018.**

We will serve breakfast but will not serve lunch on Thursday, May 31st.

Please meet us on the lawn at **11:50 am** for our kick off to summer!



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

Safety Patrol members April 27th (PM only) - May 11th (AM only)

Group 2: Maddi, Aidan, Olivia, Zoey, Kieran & Olive

Safety Patrol members May 11th (PM only) - May 25th (AM only)

Group 3: Maura, Bella, Kristy, Haley, Nate, Miles, Ian & Abbi

Safety Patrol members May 25 (PM only) - May 31 (AM and PM)

Group 1: Gage, Lily, Landon, Grace, Gino & Violet

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

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