

# Marshall Elementary School

## 2015/16 Marshall Messenger

Doing our **BEST** work  
Being our **BEST** selves



Thursday, October 1, 2015

### Weekly Calendar

#### 8:10 a.m. – Supervision Begins

- Students should not arrive prior to 8:10 a.m. unless attending the St. Mark's Program

#### 8:10 a.m. – Breakfast Begins

#### 8:25 a.m. – First Bell

#### 8:40 a.m. – Tardy Bell

#### 3:20 p.m. – Dismissal

- Note: students not picked up by 3:30 p.m. will be sent to the office to call for a ride

**AM Preschool: 8:35-11:05 a.m.**

**PM Preschool: 12:45-3:15 p.m.**

#### Monday 10/5/15

No Calendar Events

#### Tuesday 10/6/15

6:30 pm – Marshall PTO Mtg.

#### Wednesday 10/7/15

7:30 am – Marshall Site Council Mtg.

8:40 am – 3M to Life Skills

1:00 pm – 3O to Life Skills

2:00 pm – 3T to Life Skills

#### Thursday 10/8/15

Take Home Folders go home  
Marshall Messenger goes home

#### Friday 10/9/15

No School – District PD Day

### Upcoming Events...

10/14 – Life Skills (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)

10/15 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade to Pumpkin Patch

10/16 – Guest Speaker (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)

10/21 – Fall Picture Day

10/21 – Life Skills (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)

10/26-30 – Conference Week

10/29-30 – No School (Conferences)

### Principal's Corner

**Visitors:** ALL visitors coming to school, during school hours, will need to enter through the front door (on the Rhomberg side of the building). Any visitor coming to the back of the building will be directed to walk around to the Rhomberg entrance. This practice will allow us to better monitor visitors to our building while classes are in session.

**Friday, October 9:** Just a reminder that we will NOT have school on Friday, October 9. This is a scheduled Professional Development Day for teachers.

**Morning Arrival Time:** Please be sure that your children DO NOT arrive to school prior to 8:10 a.m. as there is no supervision until that time. Also, students are not allowed to play on the playground or playground equipment during our morning line-up time. Upon arrival they should go directly to their assigned lines.

### Kids Expo...

**Who:** Families/caregivers and children age 0 through elementary-school age

**What:** Everyone is invited to attend Kids Expo-Dubuque County, a wonderful family event. There is no charge and all activities are FREE!

**Where:** Grand River Center, 500 Bell Street, Dubuque

**When:** Saturday, October 10 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Kids Expo-Dubuque County will offer health services for children, including immunizations, flu shots, oral health screenings, lead testing, vision checks, and developmental screenings. For immunizations and lead tests, families should make an appointment in advance through the Visiting Nurse Association at 556-6200.

This expo will bring together a variety of businesses and organizations with programs or services for families/caregivers of young children. Participants can attend at no charge and visit over 60 booths to ask questions and gather information about services offered to children and their families.

Throughout the day, entertainment and hands-on games, activities, and more will be available for the children. Free giveaways are offered at many of the exhibitor's booths. Don't miss it!

Questions? Go to [www.dclearlychild.org](http://www.dclearlychild.org) (click on Projects, then Kids Expos) or call the expo producer, Dubuque County Early Childhood, at 588-1620 or check out "Kids Expo-Dubuque County" on Facebook.



**It's a Great Day to be a Marshall Eagle!**

## Second Grade News...

The second graders have had a very exciting and busy start to the new year! We have been learning a lot. In LEAD 21, we began Unit 1 which is all about the various roles we have at home, school, in our community, and how roles will change as we grow older.

In math, the students have been working on solving word problems using a variety of strategies. In Unit 1, we began doing number work and creating number sentences to solve animal trading card problems.

We have been writing an autobiography on ourselves to begin working on writing skills.

In science, we began the solids and liquids unit. The students love being scientists and exploring the many different properties of solids and liquids.

Continue enforcing the students' nightly work such as reading 20-30 minutes, working on math facts, and studying spelling words!

Mrs. Hermsen and Mrs. Houlihan

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## P.E. News...

This year, in our physical education classes at Marshall, we will be stressing how to become, and remain, physically fit. Every day in class we will be working on cardiovascular strength by jogging and doing activities that increase the heart rate. With today's generation being more sedentary than past generations, we must teach students habits that will promote a healthy lifestyle. While doing this, we will need to make sure that these activities are fun and enjoyable, so they are something students will want to continue doing.

When the weather cools down, we will begin testing the students in the half-mile run and the pacer cardiovascular test for the first trimester. The students will then be tested before school dismisses in the spring to assess their improvement. This will be done annually to make sure that our students are maintaining a healthy life, along with any changes or improvements that need to be made.

I am looking forward to working with the Marshall students and will be their biggest advocate toward leading a healthy life at and away from school.

Mr. Osweiler

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## Clothing Guidelines...

We have always received strong support from our parents regarding appropriate school attire for our students. We hope that this cooperation continues regarding this issue as one more example of respect for all students at Marshall.

Below are the guidelines established for the clothing students wear to school. We believe modesty is important for a positive school environment. We ask you to review the following recommendations. If students wear clothing that is unacceptable, we will ask them to change or cover up.

\* Wear shirts that cover the shoulders (straps at least 1" wide). This would exclude, as an example, halter tops, back-less shirts, spaghetti straps, strapless tops, tube tops or muscle shirts (with a deep hole under the armpit).

\* Shirts and tops should not be cut low in the front or back and should be long enough to tuck into shorts, skirts or pants (no mid-section skin showing).

\* Avoid short shorts or short skirts and very low cut pants. Mid-thigh or longer is a comfortable and modest length for shorts and skirts. Please select shorts, pants or skirts that do not have a low cut waist.

\* Due to hygiene and health concerns, Do Rags, caps, scarves, sport head bands and wrist bands should not be brought to school.

\* Protect your children's toes and feet by sending them in sensible shoes which allow them to walk, run, and play safely. Lace-up or slip-on shoes that cover the entire foot are expected to be worn at all times. In addition to other foot wear that school officials would deem unsafe, the following items are not allowed to be worn to school: flip-flops and other "open-toed" or "open-heeled" sandals, high heel/platform shoes or boots and oversized shoes/boots.

\* **Gym Shoes:** All students should have a pair of gym shoes that can be left at school. The student's name should be printed permanently on the inside of both shoes. These must be clean and dry in order to participate in class. At the close of each physical education class, it is each student's responsibility to return his/her shoes to the storage area designated by each classroom teacher. This will usually be the hall locker.

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## Celebration Guidelines...

Birthdays and holidays are so exciting to celebrate! We often celebrate these special occasions with snacks, but due to our school and district wellness policy and possible allergies in the classrooms, we ask that you **DO NOT** send edible treats to school. Although it is not expected, you may choose to send something for a special occasion. If you do, we ask that it be nonedible as all edible treats will **NOT** be passed out and will return home.

Thank you for your support in following our school and district wellness policy.