

VICE PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

February is "I Love To Read" month, and while I was reading over the plans and calendar the IL2R committee put together for this special month I thought, "Hey, I **really** do love reading." I love reading for pleasure, I love reading to my daughters, and I simply love it that I **can** read. This little bit of reflecting has got me thinking about other things that I take for granted. Here's a few:

- Buddy Benches
- Kindness
- Freedom
- Volunteers
- Warm homes
- Trust
- Being wired to make sense of the world around us
- Generosity of spirit

And, something that is full of awesome sauce, is that all of these things are happening every day at MES. What a great place to grow!

John Terrick

"I LOVE TO READ" MONTH

February is I Love to Read Month and our theme this year is Dive into Reading. Students will be encouraged to read every night. Every time they read for a certain length of time (depending on their grade level) they will help their grade level reach their reading goal. There will be a Read at the Beach Day on February 10 and the students will be invited to wear summer clothing and bring a beach towel to school. We will all be reading in the gym. Other exciting activities include a visit from an author and illustrator of a children's book as well as guest readers. We will be writing a book as a whole school and enjoying a treasure chest full of books that will travel from one class to the other. On Wednesday, March 1, we will be having a Submarine Sandwich Lunch. We will be preparing these sandwiches in our classroom, and are asking each student to bring a small baggie/container of the items they would like to put on their sandwich (e.g. lunch meat, lettuce, tomato, mayonnaise, mustard...whatever your child likes). We will be providing each student with a bun, and some fish crackers. The children should bring their own drink, and anything else they might like to eat with their sandwich and crackers.

Thank you for all your support and for encouraging your children to practice their reading at home.



ALLERGY ALERTS!

We have a student who has a severe, life-threatening peanut allergy. We are encouraging parents to keep this in mind as you pack lunches/snacks for your children. Please avoid nut products.



Also, please be mindful that strong perfumes can cause an adverse reaction for some students and staff.

SKATING



Gr. 1 - 4 students will be going skating as part of their Physical Education Program. The dates are Feb. 22nd & 23rd. If you can help out with tying skates or skating, please let your child's Teacher know. Also, please note that CSA helmets must be worn by everyone who is on the ice and skates must be in a bag if they are brought with you on the bus. Below is a **tentative** schedule. More information will follow shortly.

TIME	Wed. Feb. 22nd	Thurs. Feb. 23rd
9:00-10:00	2N/2T	4H/4M
10:30-11:30	2W/2SP	4CD/4GD
12:45-1:45	1W/1H	3H/3E
2:00-3:00	1M/1N	3K

2017-2018 Kindergarten Phone-In Registration



Kindergarten Phone-in registration will be the week of Feb. 6th-10th. If you have already sent in your pre-registration paper there is then no need to phone-in.

Please note that interview dates have changed to Wed., May 3rd and Thurs., May 4th.

PARENT COUNCIL

PAC is here to be a liaison between Parents and the School. Our Parent Council is:

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