

Dragon Tales

Mount Pleasant Elementary School
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May/June 2016



Principal's Note Reminders

Greetings, MPE Families!

The end of the school year is fast approaching, and as I reflect on this year, I can't help but think about all of the amazing things that have come out of MPE this year – from “Reading is Magical” Night, The Dragon Dance, The Lion King Musical, International Night, Fitness Fest, STEM Night, Field Day, Eco-Action Projects, Awards Assemblies, THE PASSED REFERENDUM!!! and much, much more! This year has been truly memorable and exciting. I want to thank you all for your support and partnership throughout the year, and I look forward to continued success for MPE in the future.

I am proud to announce that Mrs. Wendy Turner has been named the *Brandywine School District's Teacher of the Year* for 2016-17! Mrs. Turner has led our Green Team and Eco-Action Committee this year, along with being a team leader for second grade. I invite you to come check out our *Eco-Action bulletin board* at the main entrance of the school demonstrating the projects that came out of this committee. Additionally, it was Mrs. Turner's vision that brought *Greenfest* to MPE. In fact, this Saturday, May 21st, from 8:00 – 2:00 MPE will be hosting Greenfest 4, where you can safely recycle electronics, household hazardous waste, shred paper, donate school supplies, canned food, clothes, and more. Please see the flyer sent home and on our website for more details. Congratulations, Mrs. Turner for representing MPE so well and for the positive impact you have had on our community!

As we close out the year, please be sure your child continues to *read every day over the summer*. Congratulations to Aijana Dollard, Dayne Murray, and Daniel Ho, our three winners for the summer reading packet cover contest. Students who complete them over the summer will be invited to a Fall Reading Picnic next year! Have a great summer!

- Mr. Auerbach

Parking: Please adhere to the posted signs for parking on Duncan Rd. and do not park in the Bellevue Community Center parking lot adjacent to Mt. Pleasant or the Walgreen's Parking Lot across the street. There is ample parking at the back of the school. Thank you for your cooperation.

Bus Questions: Please call 302-762-7181 if you have questions regarding your child's transportation.

Communication: Be sure the main office has your current e-mail, home address, and phone numbers. The phone & e-mail alert system will be utilized to notify families of school events and emergencies. It is essential that this information be accurate.

Kindergarten Registrations: If you know of families who are planning on attending MPE next year, please encourage them to register their child as soon as possible, so that we can have an accurate count of students we anticipate to have. Thank you.

Awards Assemblies/Concerts

We invite you to come celebrate the many academic and social accomplishments of your child(ren) at our upcoming Third Trimester Awards Assemblies. Please check out our website at for specific dates and times: <http://brandywineschools.org/mpe>.

We also invite you to come and check out the remaining Spring Concerts at MPE:

Band, Chorus, & Orchestra (4th/5th Grade): Tuesday, May 24, 2:00 pm (Students should wear their performance uniform: white shirt and black pants or skirt.)

Kindergarten: Friday, June 3, 10:00 am

Healthy Foods for Healthy Kids 5K

YOU can help Healthy Foods for Healthy Kids (HFHK) inspire MPE students to develop a green thumb, and grow and eat healthy vegetables! Here's how: Get your walking shoes ready and register to participate in the Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community on Saturday June 4th, 9am at Bellevue State Park. This event benefits 25 local nonprofit health and human service agencies, including HFHK. 100 percent of the money raised by HFHK walkers goes directly to support School Vegetable Gardening programs! Register for free at: <http://hcf.convio.net/hfhk> to join the 5K or One-Mile Fun Walk to support HFHK. Families, friends, and dogs on leashes are welcome.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Saturday, May 21
Greenfest 4

Tuesday, May 24
Band/Chorus/Orchestra Concert

Wednesday, May 25
Last Walking Wednesday
3rd Grade Market Day
Last Day for Bank at School

Friday, May 27
Third Marking Period Ends

Monday, May 30
Memorial Day – No School,
Offices Closed

Tuesday, May 31
Teacher Work Day - No School
Offices Open

Wednesday, June 1
Kindergarten Academy

Thursday, June 2
2nd Grade Awards Assembly

Friday, June 3
Kindergarten Concert
1st Grade Awards Assembly

Monday, June 6
1st Grade Bellevue Trip
Kindergarten Awards Assembly
4th Grade Awards Assembly

Tuesday, June 7
2nd Grade Bellevue Trip
KN and 5th Grade Fun Day
3rd Grade Awards Assembly

Wednesday, June 8
3rd Grade Trip to Hanby Center
Kindergarten Trip to Bellevue

Thursday, June 9
5th Grade Move Up Ceremony
Last Day for Students