

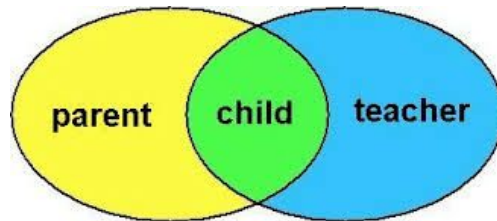


Lion's Den Newsletter

April 2016

Principal's Message

It's hard to believe that we are in the final trimester of the year. This is such a great time of year for teachers as they see the fruits of their efforts! Students are producing high quality work and they feel so smart with the knowledge that they have gained so far this year. Please help your students stay focused by continuing to see that they are well rested, their homework is complete, and continue the great communication with your child's teacher. Our partnership with you is your child's best asset for success!



MHFT Friends and Family Festival

The MH Federation of Teachers will be hosting our first "MHFT Friends and Family Festival" on Saturday, April 23, 2016 from 11:00 - 3:00 at PA Walsh STEAM Academy, 353 W. Main Avenue. There will be free raffle tickets, entertainment, and games and activities. We would appreciate some help in promoting this fun event. We hope to see you there! Link to the flyer in English:

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Link to the flyer in Spanish:

<https://drive.google.com/a/mhusd.org/file/d/0BxpzTeXJ4Npodnh3Z2ppNIVSbEIJU2ITUKV4Y1JxWI9Dd2hv/view?usp=gmail>

Ms. Gillani is at it Again!

Nordstrom is participating in the [2016 Energize Schools Energy Conservation Competition](#)! Our team of ten 4th - 6th grade students worked with representatives from PG&E to create an energy conservation action plan that we will be implementing April 18 - May 3. Their action plan includes classroom competitions and a mascot, Lightning the Hamster! Each classroom will be involved in activities to remind them to save energy. Ask your child what you can do at home to support conservation!



Friendship bench

Our friendship bench is here! Thank you 6th grade families. This bench is designed for students that cannot find a friend to play with at recess/lunch. They sit on the bench and a friend will come to solve their problem. We will show the attached video in classrooms and have an assembly about the bench. <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/saskatoon/buddy-bench-willowgrove-school-1.3505066>

Upcoming Events

April

- 1 Home & School Club Meeting, MPR, 8:00am
- 5 Spring Pictures
- 11 - 15 No School, Spring Break**
- 25 School Site Council, 2:15pm, RC
- 25 SBAC Testing Begins and continues through May 16th
- 29 Lion's Den
- 30 Spring Auction

May

- 2 ELAC Meeting, 6:00pm, RC
- 6 Home & School Club Meeting, MPR, 8:00am
- 11 Open House, 6:00pm - 7:30pm
- 17 Spring Concert, MPR - 1st Grade, 6:00pm
2nd Grade, 6:45pm, 3rd grade, 7:30pm
- 17-20 5th grade Science Camp
- 23 School Site Council, 2:15pm, RC
- 24 Spring Concert - Kinders 6:00pm, MPR
- 24 Volunteer Appreciation
- 27 Lion's Den
- 27 Home & School Club Budget Meeting, MPR, 8:00am
- 30 No School, Memorial Day**

Home and School Club News



Kinder yard. HSC is happy to announce that picnic tables have been delivered and installed in the kinder yard. This is a huge benefit for all kindergarteners. The children now have an area to socialize and snack with tables and benches! A welcomed addition to their yard.

Framed Art Event has gotten off to a terrific start. Preview days have concluded however you are still able to place your order online or by dropping your order off in the front school office. Pre-orders received by April 8th are guaranteed for pick up on May 11th at Open House. Orders received through May 2nd can still be processed however they will not be available to pick up until the first week of June.

Fiesta Night is right around the corner. Early bird tickets on sale now through April 9th! Event will sell out so get your tickets early! Join us for a night of friends, fun and fundraising! Details and tickets available at <http://nordstromspringauction.weebly.com/>

Chess Club is back! Stay tuned to your Friday folders for details and registration. Chess club is scheduled to begin Monday's following our Spring Break!

Dinner Night Out Wednesday April 20th. **FIVE GUYS** hamburgers on Cochrane will be donating a portion of their proceeds back to Nordstrom Elementary School. Bring your promo coupons with you and help us raise money for the school and take the night off!

Last Chance to preorder your Nordstrom Elementary Yearbook. All orders due by April 7, 2016. Drop orders off in the front office or order online at <http://schoolannual.com/purchase/>. Make sure to enter "Nordstrom Elementary" in the search box and click on "shop the collection". From there, click on yearbook! It's that easy to have a cherished keepsake for your 2015/16 school year!