

Mary Rowlandson Elementary School

Update

March 13, 2017

<http://rowlandson.nrsd.net/> (Mary Rowlandson website)

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PTO Auction

Dear MRE/LBMS families,

We are so excited to announce the date for our Biennial PTO Auction 2017! Please mark your calendars and book your sitters for Saturday, April 8, 2017 at 6:30 pm. The auction will be held at the Sterling National Country Club in Sterling, Ma. Please come and enjoy hot and cold appetizers and a cash bar while we auction off items and services made/donated by local businesses, members of our community and YOUR CHILDREN!!

This is always a fun event and helps fund the PTO for the next two years. The money raised goes to support field trips, cultural enrichment events and community events like the recent Community Reading Day.

Auction items are now being displayed in the case near the front office. Watch the MRE Twitter account for pictures of auction items.

Student Presenting at School Committee

On Wednesday, March 15th at 6:00pm four fifth grade students will be presenting a project they entire fifth grade has been working on this year to the School Committee. Mrs. Akdikmen has been collaborating with the fifth grade teachers to integrate technology into the science curriculum. The students have been learning about programming, flight and natural sciences in a cross curricular unit. The students have learned about the bees. They learned that their numbers are decreasing which impacts plants through reduced pollination. To "help" bees pollinate, students have designed small drones to collect pollen. This required that students learn about flight and how to program a drone. Many parents and district staff volunteered to help students fly the drones and make this unit a success. This was a terrific project that engaged students in real world problem solving.

Reading Events

This past Thursday was Community Reading Day. Many important community members such as the Police Chief, former MRE teachers and high school students came to read to each classroom. This annual event is a nice way to celebrate reading while having community members see our wonderful school and students.

Next Thursday, March 23rd, is the annual **Family Literacy Night**. The night is packed with fun literacy activities for the students. The Best Book Fair is also available during the evening. This year we are encouraging everyone to wear their pajamas so they can get comfy and cuddle up with a book. We hope to see you at this popular event.

Important Dates

March 17th – Half Day for Parent/Teacher conferences 12:15pm

March 22nd – Jazz Night grades 5 to 8 6:30pm

March 23rd – Family Literacy Night 6:30pm – 7:30pm Best Book Fair

March 31st – LBMS Play

April 8th –PTO Auction

MCAS Dates

3rd Grade

ELA

Tuesday, April 4th - Session 1

Wednesday, April 5th – Session 2

Friday, April 7th – Session 3

Math

Tuesday, May 2nd – Session 1

Thursday, May 4th – Session 2

4th Grade

ELA

Monday, April 10th – Session 1

Tuesday, April 11th – Session 2

Thursday, April 13th - Session 3

Math

Tuesday, May 16th – Session 1

Thursday, May 18th - Session 2

5th Grade

ELA

Tuesday, April 25th – Session 1

Thursday, April 27th – Session 2

Monday, May 1st - Session 3

Math

Tuesday, May 9th – Session 1

Thursday, May 11th – Session2

Science

Monday, May 22nd – Session 1

Tuesday, May 23rd – Session 2

Community Events

http://rowlandson.nrsd.net/news/what_s_new/community_news

Look for the following important community announcement at the above web address.

- "Night to Learn" event to be held at Nashoba Regional High School on Thursday, April 6th from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- Little League Registration - <https://leagueathletics.com/Default.asp?org=lancasterlittleleague.com>
- Flag Football Registration – <http://www.nashobayfc.com/site/>
- Nashoba Youth Field Hockey Development program
- Girls Softball Registration

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