Dear OHS Eagles,

Our classrooms had a successful week with <u>Bookworms!</u> Students engaged in choral and partner reading, explicit vocabulary instruction, fluency practice, and comprehension development. Also, we celebrated World Read Aloud Day with the following recorded stories:

K-2 Read Aloud
Gr 3-5 Read Aloud



As a fun addition, our K-2 students were on a mission to find the hidden dinosaurs around the school—be sure to ask your child if they discovered them!

Our 100th day of school was a blast!
Students got into the spirit by dressing up as if they were 100 years old, complete with glasses, canes, and creative outfits.
It was a fun and memorable way to celebrate this milestone!

Author Visit: We are having an author visit on March 7th for *all* students to culminate *Read Across America* week. Dana Meachen Rau, author of the *Who is...? What is...?* book series, will be our guest author. If you would like to order a book(s) you may order online by **February 24th** and they will be delivered to OHS. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information.

In the OHS PTA section below you will find the following document linked that has details on registering for upcoming PTA events and activities.

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# **Important Dates:**

- MPS 2024-2025 School Calendar
- <u>2024-2025 OHS Spirit Fridays</u>
- Thursday , February 13th Wear Pink and/or Red Day
- February 14th & 17th- Winter Recess, No School
- February 21st Sweetheart Dance at OHS <a href="https://app.givebacks.gives/e46582/Campaign/Details">https://app.givebacks.gives/e46582/Campaign/Details</a>
- February 26th- Early Release at 1:25 pm for all students
- March 3rd- 7th- Read Across America Week
- March 5th- No School, Professional learning day for staff
- March 17th- Wear Green
- March 18th- 20th- Parent Teacher Conferences, early dismissal at 1:15pm for all students
- April 2nd- Wear Blue in honor of World Autism Awareness Day
- April 18th- No School
- April 21- 25th- Spring Recess
- April 30th- Early Release day for all students at 1:25pm

### **Upcoming & Important News**

Pantochino play practice dates:

K-2 will participate on these dates only:

2/6, 2/20, 3/13

Grades 3-5 will meet:

2/6, 2/13, 2/20, 2/27, 3/13

### **Upcoming Dates:**

- PTA Plant Sale: May 8th & May 9th
- Teacher Appreciation Week: May 5th 9th
- (Tentative) Field Day date: May 28th (rain date: May 29th)
- (Tentative) 5th grade Send Off and Clap Out date: June 3rd (rain date: June 4th)

Kindergarten Registration is now open for the 2025-2026 school year! Please click here for



more information: 2025-26 Kindergarten Registration Press Release

## **Birthday Celebrations**

#### **Food Service**

MPS food service website.

January Menu- Elementary

**OHS PTA Information** - Click <u>HERE</u> for more information on upcoming events and programs

OHS Spirit Days - 2024-2025 OHS Spirit Fridays

**SEL Anchor Tool and Parent Companion Guide of the Month** *Hopes and Dreams* provides children and adults with the opportunity to set their own social/academic goals.



Click on this <u>LINK</u> to find out how you can utilize this tool at home. Please contact Mrs. Dickson with any questions: <u>mdickson@milforded.org</u>.

**Lost and Found Alert!** We've gathered a collection of forgotten clothing and water bottles from classrooms and the gym. Please have your student swing by our front table to claim their missing items!

Community Connection Center- Be sure to check out this week's CCC News.

- The Community Mental Health Provider list
- Family Letter Family Literacy Program 24-25 SY all MPS families are welcome to attend
- <u>Circle of Security</u>- 8 week parenting workshop

**Milford Health Department Health Guidelines-** Please click on the link to view a message from the Milford Health Depaim regarding health guidelines: Milford Health Dept.



Warm Regards,

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