

MMS MATTERS

December 15, 2017



DONATION DRIVE AT MMS

Some of our 8th grade students noticed that MMS is lacking in holiday spirit. They realized in past years we have participated in the Greater Lansing Food Drive and the Salvation Army Toy Drive. This year they decided to go even bigger and include Haven House. We are collecting non-perishable food items, winter clothing, toiletries as well as new unwrapped toys.

Donations may be brought to the MMS office now through December 13. We realize this is a short time but we would like to donate more than ever! Students or parents may bring the donation items to the office before or after school or during our lunch periods.

Thank you for helping make someone's holiday season a little brighter!



BOYS BASKETBALL REMINDERS

The boys' basketball teams will make up their game against Mason on Monday, **December 18**. The 8th grade will be playing away at Mason while the 7th grade will play at home. Please note the 7th grade game will begin at **4:00 p.m.** on Monday.

Players must turn in their uniforms to their Coach on Monday after the game.



HOLIDAY SPIRIT WEEK

Next week MMS will be hosting Spirit Week. The themes for the week will be:

Monday, 12/18:	White-Out Day
Tuesday, 12/19:	Team Apparel Day
Wednesday, 12/20:	Pajama Day
Thursday, 12/21:	Would you be my friend if I wear? (mismatched clothes, ugly sweaters, etc.)
Friday, 12/22:	Formal Friday

We look forward to seeing our students (and staff) participation in Spirit Week.

REFUGEE LANSING EXHIBIT

We have a very special display in our media center until December 20. Two of our MMS parents, Jane Kramer and Jackie Hawthorne, have collaborated with 24 professional writers and photographers to create an educational exhibit called Refugee Lansing.

Refuge Lansing is a collaborative travelling storytelling project that celebrates decades of refugee resettlement in mid-Michigan. It was created by volunteer photographers, writers, editors, and designers, the All Faith Alliance for Refugees, Global Institute of Lansing, Refugee Development Center, St. Vincent Catholic Charities, and Samaritas Refugee Youth Services.

There are stories of families who have fled violence and persecution in their home countries and who are now an integral part of the Lansing region.

Please feel free to stop in our media center to view this display.



GIRLS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

Tryouts for MMS Girls' basketball will be held on Monday, **January 8** and Tuesday, **January 9**. Eighth grade will tryout from 3:10 p.m. – 5:10 p.m. and 7th grade from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Sixth grade girls can tryout on Tuesday, **January 9** from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. and will have a chance to make the 7th grade team if there are spots open on the roster.

There will be a parent meeting for parents of girls who were invited to participate on the team on Wednesday, **January 10** at 5:30 p.m. in the MMS cafeteria.

More information regarding MMS girls' basketball is available on the Blue Board.



YEARBOOK ORDERS

MMS Yearbooks are available to pre-order on-line at <https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/Order/>. Please use Yearbook ID Code: **11190918**. The cost of the yearbook is \$20.00 for a soft cover and additional upgrades are available. If you prefer to purchase with a check, yearbook order forms are available on the Blue Board and should be turned into the office. Please make the check payable to Lifetouch. The deadline to order is **February 9, 2018**.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- December 18:** Boys' basketball vs Mason
8 – Away
7 – Home – **GAME BEGINS AT 4:00 P.M.**
Mathcounts – Room 134 – 3:00 p.m.
Jr Trojans Wrestling – Upper Gym – 6:00 p.m.
- December 19:** Sixth grade band and orchestra concert – EL Performing Arts Center – 7:00 p.m.
Jr Trojans Wrestling – Upper Gym – 6:00 p.m.
- December 20:** 7/8 band and orchestra concert – EL Performing Arts Center – 7:00 p.m.
- December 21:** Choir concert – Auditorium – 7:00 p.m.
Yearbook Club – Room 249 – 3:00 p.m.
Jr Trojans Wrestling – Upper Gym – 6:00 p.m.
- December 22:** Debate Club – Media Center – 3:00 p.m.

Happy Holidays – Enjoy your winter break