

Happy Friday MMS Families!

Below are upcoming events at MacDonald Middle School. Please mark these on your calendar.

- November 19 –
 - Boys' basketball vs Williamston – 4:30 p.m. – 7 home/8 away - West gym
 - Science Olympiad – 3:00 p.m. – Room 134
- November 21 - 23 –
 - **No School - Happy Thanksgiving**
- November 26 –
 - Book Fair begins – 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. - Room 228
 - Science Olympiad – 3:00 p.m. – Room 134
 - Boys' basketball vs Grand Ledge – 4:30 p.m. – 7 home/8 away – West gym
 - EL Jr Trojan wrestling begins – 6:00 p.m. – Upper gym
- November 27 –
 - Book Fair continues – 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Room 228
 - MMS PC meeting – 6:00 p.m. – Media Center
 - EL Jr Trojans wrestling – 6:00 p.m. – Upper gym
- November 28 –
 - Book Fair continues 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Room 228
 - Math Counts – 3:00 p.m. – Room 134
 - Book Fair Special Event – 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – MMS Foyer
 - Boys' basketball vs Haslett – 4:30 p.m. – 7 home/8 away
 - 6th grade Reproductive Health parent preview – 6:00 p.m. – Media Center
- November 29 –
 - Book Fair continues – 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Room 228
 - Sign Language club – 3:00 p.m. – Room 134
 - EL Jr Trojans wrestling - 6:00 p.m. – Upper gym
- November 30 –
 - Last day for Book Fair – 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Room 228

Science Olympiad

Attention all 6th, 7th and 8th graders who love STEM! MMS will be starting a Science Olympiad team. Science Olympiad is a competitive science tournament with a goal of bringing science to life, to show how science works, to emphasize problem-solving aspects of science, to develop teamwork and cooperative learning strategies, to make science education more exciting, and to promote high levels of achievement and excellence.

The Science Olympiad team will meet on **Mondays from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. in Room 134** beginning Monday, **November 19**. An Informational flyer is available on the Blue Board located outside the cafeteria and attached with this newsletter. Please check out this video to see what Science Olympiad is all about! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C9kQpZx2t24&fbclid=IwAR2IbEKW2kxbZVWoUKgEoJ0Y5xYj6HOILyj4ohIIC52RCFLDcjs8992oPmM>

Yearbook Club

Are you interested in helping design the MMS 2018 – 2019 yearbook? The MMS Yearbook club is looking for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students who are committed to helping with the yearbook. The meetings will begin in December from 3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. in Room 249. Space is limited to 15 students. Please complete the attached form and return it to the office no later than **November 30**. Forms are also available on the Blue Board.

Calling Parent Volunteers:

We are looking for an additional parent advisor to assist Shawn Heiler with the yearbook club. If you are interested in helping, please email Shawn at mms2019yearbook@gmail.com or Debbie Walton at mmsparentcouncil@gmail.com. Thank you so much for your consideration.

Scholastic Book Fair Coming to MMS

Our Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that provides the books kids want to read. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Reading for pleasure inside and outside of the classroom has real and life-long benefits.

Please make plans to visit the book fair from November 26 – November 30 from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. There will also be a special **Grandparents Night located in the MMS foyer on November 28 from 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.** This event will take place during the boys' basketball game. Remember all purchases benefit MacDonal Middle School.

We always need parent volunteers to help make the Book Fair a success. If you would like to volunteer please [click here](#). As a reminder, all volunteers must complete the Volunteer Background Check.

Reproductive Health

Our 6th grade PE curriculum includes Reproductive Health. Students currently in Mrs. Hagbom's PE class will begin this unit on December 3. There will be a parent preview night on **November 28 at 6:00 p.m. in our media center**. An email has been sent to the families whose students will be attending Reproductive Health this semester. Included in the email is an introductory letter, an outline of the videos/curriculum as well as the Passive Consent if you chose to opt out your child from this unit. Students who have been opted out will go to the library for a study hall.

Robotics Club

We are looking to start a Robotics club at MMS. We have one parent volunteer offering their time to help get it started but we need ONE more volunteer. If you are interested in hearing more about this exciting volunteer opportunity, please email mmsparentcouncil@gmail.com.

MMS PC

All of these exciting clubs and offerings would not happen without the support of our MMS families. Thank you so much for all of the donations our MMS PC has received so far this year. If you would like to make a donation, please go to their website: <http://mmsparentcouncil.wixsite.com/mmspc> or find them on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MacDonaldMiddleSchoolParentCouncil/>.

The next MMS PC meeting will be held on **November 27 at 6:00 p.m.** in the media center. Please consider attending to share your thoughts and ideas.

Newsletter

Due to the shorten week next week, there will not be a Jr Trojan News and Information sent out. We want to wish all of our MMS family a very Happy Thanksgiving. We hope you find time to spend with your friends and family.





SCIENCE OLYMPIAD



Team

Calling all 6th, 7th or 8th graders who like STEM!

Do you like computer coding and making computer games?

Do you always ask WHY?

Are Science and Math your favorite classes?

Do you like to design buildings?

Do you like doing science experiments?

If you answered “yes” to any of these questions, come join our team!



STEM



Science • Technology • Engineering • Math

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Who: All 6th, 7th or 8th grader who like science

Where: MacDonald Middle School, room 134

When: Weekly meetings on Monday, 3:00-4:00 pm

First meeting Monday, November 19, 2018. Ends mid-March.

Why: To have fun meet friends and learn more about Science

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Exploring the World of Science



Yearbook Club

Do you want to help design the yearbook? Then this is the club for you! We will meet after school on Thursdays until 4:15. Meetings will start in December and will go until the yearbook is due. Space is limited to 15 students. Please only sign up if you are committed to helping.

Fill out the form below and return to the office no later than November 30, 2018.

If you have any questions please email me at mms2019yearbook@gmail.com

Please have 2 teachers sign the form as well.

Thank you!

Shawn Heiler - 8th grade parent

Student name and grade: _____

Student email: _____

Parent name: _____

Parent email: _____

Phone number: _____

Student signature: _____

Parent signature: _____

Teachers signature: _____
