



East Lansing Public Schools

# MMS MATTERS

November 17, 2017



## Wonder Field Trip

This year in your child's Trojan Time class we have been reading the book *Wonder*. To go along with the book, we have been reviewing daily "precepts" that center around understanding other's perspectives and choosing kindness. Trojan Time classes will be finishing the book in early December so as a school we can watch the new movie together. Students will be going to NCG Cinemas to watch the movie. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade will go on December 19, 6<sup>th</sup> grade on December 20 and 7<sup>th</sup> grade on December 21. This field trip is in recognition of our student's success for the beginning of the school year.

We are asking families for a donation of \$11.00 to support the transportation costs of the trip. This donation is not mandatory and all students will be able to participate, but it is very much appreciated. The busses will be leaving MacDonald at 8:45 a.m. and returning by 12:00 noon. We encourage students to begin saving their own money to help cover the cost.

Please return the attached permission slip and the \$11.00 to your child's Trojan Time teacher by **December 8**. Checks may be made payable to ELPS.



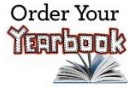
## MMS BOOK FAIR IS COMING

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 the classroom has real and long-lasting benefits. It unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair. Remember, all purchases benefit MacDonald Middle School. See you at the Book Fair!

Please click the links below for volunteer opportunities or to sign up to provide snacks for the Teacher Preview Day.

[Book Fair Volunteer Opportunities](#)

[Teacher Preview Snacks](#)



## 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**.



## YEARBOOK COVER CONTEST AND PICTURES

The MMS Yearbook Club is looking for your help. They are holding a Yearbook Cover Contest for the 2017 – 2018 yearbook. Art must be on 8.5 x 11 sheet of white paper, vertical orientation. All entries must include: the words “WE ARE...Jr. Trojans”, the date (2017 – 2018) and signature in lower right hand corner. All entries are due by **November 28 at 3:00 p.m.** An entry form is included with the newsletter or may be picked up on the Blue Board.

Also, in order to make the 2017 – 2018 yearbook as meaningful as possible to our students, Yearbook Club is asking you to share your photos. They are looking for action photos of both in and out of school events. They need more photos of you with your friends, playing sports, participating in activities, working on projects and showing your MMS Spirit. Please email photos to [macdonaldmsyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:macdonaldmsyearbook@gmail.com) and include a description (who, what, where) of the photos in your email.



## THE BOOK CLUB MMS BOOK CLUB

The next MMS Book Club meeting will be Thursday, **December 7** from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. in the Media Center. Snacks will be provided. **We had a change in plans for the book this month, we will now be reading Awkward by Svetlana Chmakova.**

To participate, students will need a signed permission slip. These forms are available in the Media Center. The first 20 students with a completed permission slip submitted to the Media Center will receive a free copy of the book. For more information, please contact Ms. Robinson, [christa.robinson@gmail.com](mailto:christa.robinson@gmail.com).

## MATHCOUNTS® MathCounts Meetings

Due to travel schedules of our MathCounts volunteers, we will not be holding regular MathCounts meetings on Monday, November 20 or Monday, November 27. Meetings will begin again on Monday, December 4.



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- November 20:** Boys' basketball vs. Williamston  
7 Home  
8 Away
- November 22 – 24:** Thanksgiving Break – No School
- November 27:** Scholastic Book Fair begins – Room 228  
MathCounts – Room 134 – 3:00 p.m.  
Boys' basketball vs. Grand Ledge  
8 Away  
7 Home  
EL Jr Trojan Wrestling – Upper Gym – 6:00 p.m.
- November 28:** Yearbook Cover entries due – Office – 3:00 p.m.  
EL Jr Trojan Wrestling – Upper Gym – 6:00 p.m.
- November 29:** Boys' basketball vs. Haslett  
7 Home  
8 Away  
EL Jr Trojan Wrestling – Upper Gym – 6:00 p.m.
- November 30:** Sign Language Club – Room 134 – 3:00 p.m.  
Yearbook Club – Room 249 – 3:00 p.m.
- December 4:** MathCounts – Room 134 – 3:00 p.m.  
Boys' basketball vs. Charlotte  
8 Home  
7 Away  
Jr Trojans Wrestling – Upper Gym – 6:00 p.m.
- December 5:** Jr Trojans Wrestling – Upper Gym – 6:00 p.m.
- December 6:** Boys' basketball vs. Holt  
8 Home  
7 Away
- December 7:** Sign Language Club – Room 134 – 3:00 p.m.  
Yearbook Club – Room 249 – 3:00 p.m.  
Jr Trojans Wrestling – Upper Gym – 6:00 p.m.

# Yearbook Cover Contest

## Entries due by Nov. 28, 2017



### Submit art on:

1. 8.5 x 11 sheet of white paper (or digitally 300 dpi/jpeg)
2. Vertical orientation (see example at right)

### All entries must include:

1. The words "WE ARE... Jr. Trojans."
2. The date (2017-2018)
3. Your signature in the lower right hand corner

### Tips for a good entry:

1. Not a lot of white space—lots of color!
2. Entries can be in the following mediums: drawing, painting, collage, mixed media, photography and digital art.
3. Use up the whole sheet of paper. The bigger, the better!

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Questions? Email [macdonaldmsyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:macdonaldmsyearbook@gmail.com)

**Entries due by Nov. 28, 2017**

Paperclip this completed form to your entry and return to the office by 3 PM.

**Student's name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's school email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_