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MARCH NEWSLETTER
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No School

There is no school on Monday, March 6th in observance of Casimir Pulaski Day. There is an early dismissal on Friday, March 17th. Anna McDonald students will be dismissed at 12:42 p.m. for car riders/walkers and 12:45 p.m. for bus riders.

Spring Break

Spring break begins on March 25th. Students will return on Monday, April 3rd. PTO room parties will be Friday, March 24th beginning at 1:15pm. Students will be dismissed at 2:15pm.

Lunch Accounts

Please remember to check your child's lunch account balance on a regular basis. **Students are not allowed to purchase a hot lunch with a negative balance.** If you have any questions, please call.

Online Registration is OPEN and 2017-18 Fees are Online!

Manhattan School District 114 registration will be Online for the 2017-2018 school year. Registration for current and new families will be done at home through your personal computer. This process will result in substantial savings in paper and printing costs for our district and make the registration procedure much more convenient for our families.

We have learned that sometimes Internet Explorer does not always work for registration, as it is not as up to date as it should be. If you encounter this problem, please try registering through Firefox or Google Chrome.

Please login to your Home Logic account and register your students for next year. Fees for the 2017-18 School Year are now on your account. Please login to your account to pay fees for 2017-18 and any outstanding fees.

If you have any problems or questions regarding registration or fees or if you child/children will not be returning next year, please contact Michele Zmigrodski at 815-531-3302 or mzmigrodski@manhattan114.org.

Online registration must be completed by April 1st.

Spring Pictures

Van Gogh Photography will be here on Friday, March 10th for Spring Pictures. Information has been sent home.

PE Exemptions

If a student presents a note from their doctor exempting them from PE, this also includes recess & any other physical activity. Students exempt from PE will attend workroom during recess and not go outside. For the safety and liability of the students & district, this takes effect 10/6/16. Any questions can be directed to Mr. McWilliams.

Yearbook Orders

This year a yearbook can only be purchased for your child using the online website TreeRing. If you want to purchase one for your child, click on the link below, enter in the passcode, and purchase a yearbook for your child. The cost of the yearbook is \$12.00.

When purchasing a yearbook, please either download the TreeRing app or use your PC to complete the process. We have had parents incorrectly filling out the information and accidentally purchasing yearbooks under their name and not their child's.

The website to order is: <http://www.TreeRing.com/validate>

The passcode is: 1014417497762779

The cost of the yearbook is \$12.00

If you have any questions, please contact the yearbook coordinator for Anna McDonald, Tracy Lamont, at tlamont@manhattan114.org

Report Cards

The 3rd quarter ends on March 17th. Report cards will be available for viewing on Friday, March 24th.

Time Change

It's time to "Spring Forward!" Please remember to change your clocks ahead one hour on Sunday, March 12th.

Art News

Square 1 Art time is here! We will receive order packets and stickers the last week in February and orders will due back to us by Friday March 10th. Orders can easily be made on line and by phone also.

This sale includes all 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students. The art students have been working hard on their creations for the last several weeks. 3rd grade theme is Under the Sea, 4th grade artists have been working with an Animal/Plant theme and the 5th graders have been working on their theme of bugs, butterflies and reptiles!

Artworks will be taking place at LWE high school in Frankfort on Saturday, March 18 from 10:00-3:00. Everyone is invited to come and take part in free workshops and see art work

from all of the LW High Schools, as well as LW area Junior Highs and LW area elementary schools, including many from our own MJHS, Anna McDonald and Wilson Creek.

Any questions, please contact me at kambrosini@manhattan114.org

It Takes HEART!!

The third, fourth and fifth grades students ROARED with excitement, when they heard the news that they had raised over \$9,799.00 for the American Heart Association. Students were able to collect donations online or using the AHA collection envelope. Students who collected any monetary donation were eligible to participate in our 2017 AHA Knock Out Tournament on February 14th.

We had a total of 187 students who participated in our Knock Out Tournament. Cade C. (3Lamont) took first place and Mason T. (3KP) took second place in our third grade tournament. Chase H. (4F) took first place and Ignacio C. (4G) took second place for our fourth grade tournament. Finally, Aiden O. (5PP) took first place and Spencer T. (5KR) took second place for our fifth grade tournament.

Mrs. Horwath's third grade class collected \$1,268.00 and they were our top fundraising class at Anna McDonald School. They will receive a pizza party and an extra physical education class period, to come down and play the game of their choice.

I would like to thank all the families, friends, faculty and staff of Anna McDonald School. Without your efforts and support, our students would not have been as successful in this amazing fundraising event.

The remaining Zoo Crew Animals (elephant, panda, chip, zebra and penguin) will be arriving in the next week or so. Our dodge ball tournament (\$50 donation) will be announced at a later date.

Thank you!

SUBSTITUTE

If you or someone you know would like to sub for the District as a teacher, aide, or nurse please contact Diane Ponshe in the Business Office 815-478-4527.

Band News

Congratulation to Dylan Bethman and Brayden Beckes for receiving a superior rating on their duets at the IGSMA Contest in February.

Save the Date

Prime Time Family Reading Night: Friday, April 21

"Choose Kind" – Wonder by R.J. Palacio

March 2017

7th Student Council Meeting 3:15pm
8th BOE Meeting 6pm
10th Spring Pictures
16th Foundation Meeting 6pm @ MJHS
17th End of 3rd Quarter
3rd Grade Ellis Island 10am

18th Early Dismissal 12:45pm
Art Works @ LW East
Band IGSMMA Contest
21st Character Counts Extra Recess 2:40pm
Student Council 3:15pm
22nd Perfect Attendance Pizza during Lunches
24th Report Cards on HomeLogic
STAR Reward Day (subject to change)
Student of the Month Luncheon during Lunches
PTO Spring Parties 1:15pm
Early Dismissal 2:15pm

March 25th to April 2nd – Spring Break
Return to School Monday, April 3rd