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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Mystery Readers, book themed lunches, Family Read Night with Marty Kelley, a special tea party, and so much more!  This is just a sampling of what is being offered to students this week as we celebrate Read Across America Week.  The RAA team, led by Mrs. Flanigan, has engaged students and staff in a variety of creative fun ways to enjoy reading and sharing that joy with others. I encourage you to read with your children a little bit extra this week and work with them to complete their reading logs.

We hope you all will join us this Wed. night as we participate in an evening of learning, reading, and sharing together.   Our PTO has generously sponsored this family night that celebrates reading with the gifted author/illustrator Marty Kelley.

On Friday, March 6th, we will be celebrating reading 42,000 minutes (I am very optimistic we will exceed our goal) with a special Tea Party lunch.  We would like to extend an invitation to our families and community members to join us.  Please give Holly a call or an email if you would like to come for lunch or just tea!

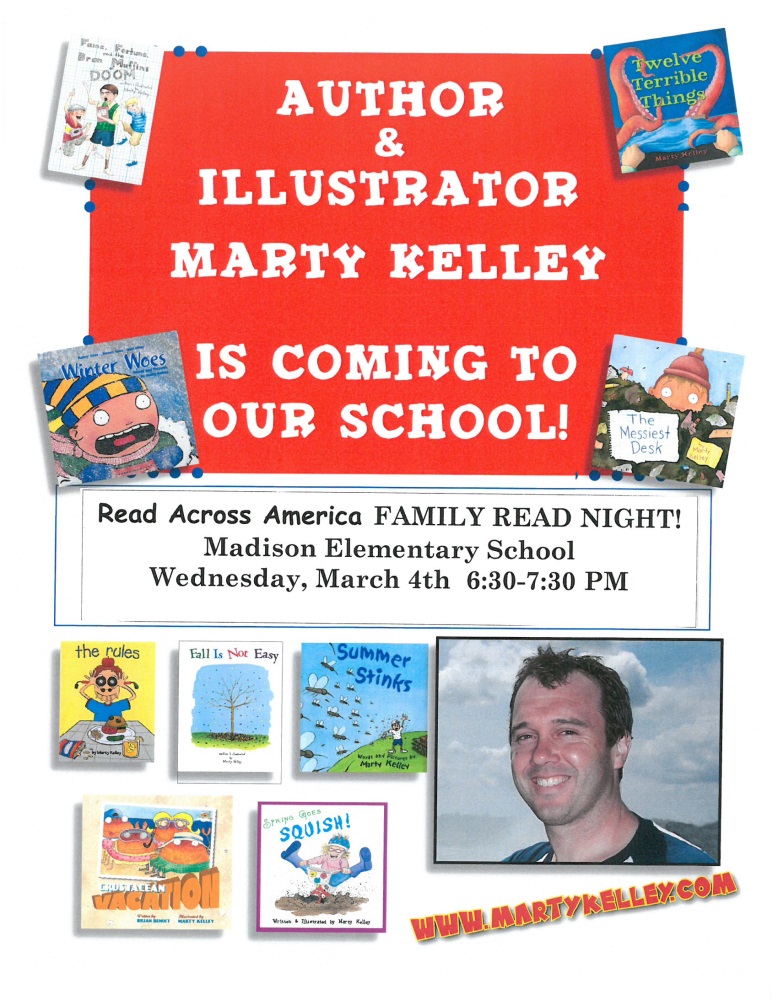
It is going to be a great week!  *Some weeks are like that, even in Australia!*  (modified a bit to go with my favorite book, let’s see who knows the title)

Mrs. Woodward

**Health Fair March 12th**

Students and residents will be participating in a health fair sponsored by the Health & Wellness Committee, Memorial Hospital and the Madison Recreation Dept. Students will all attend in the afternoon after lunch and residents are invited from 3:00-5:30. A grab and go dinner is available for all.

PLEASE JOIN US!



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Up Coming Events/Meeting

* *Read Across America Week 3-2 to 3-6*
* *School Board Mtg. 3/2 5:00 pm*
* *PTO Mtg. 3/2 3:45 pm*
* *RAA Family Night 3/4 6:30-7:30 pm*
* *ESSC Snow Day 3/10*
* *Health Fair 3/12*
* *Snowshoeing at 100 Acre Woods 3/17*
* *NO SCHOOL 3/20*
* *Jump Rope Club 3/27 6-7pm*

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**Alice in Wonderful Full Cast Rehearsals**

All cast in grades 4-6 will have their first play practice Thursday after school until 5PM. Friday after school we will also meet to review choreography for the full cast numbers. This will also meet until 5.

**NH FIRSHER CATS READING CHALLENGE**

If you participated in this challenge, forms are due to the office by this Friday, March 6th.

**Title I Tips**

**Did you know- March 2nd is Dr. Seuss’s birthday?**

Please complete the Summer Program Survey that came along with this newsletter. Your input is important to us.

**SWIFT MINUTE:**

Domain 2: Multi-tiered System of Support

Feature 2: Inclusive Behavior Instruction

*Inclusive Behavior Instruction*is a proactive approach to teaching social behaviors.  All students are explicitly taught school-wide behavioral goals and expectations. All school staff members reinforce positive student behaviors.  At MES we implement the Positive Behavior Incentive Systems and Support program, also known as PBIS through which students earn mustangs.  These mustangs are collected based on a behavioral target and school-wide incentives are reached, such as our Mustang Days.

As part of the PBIS system, information regarding individual student behavior is collected.  This information then allows the school to direct preventive resources toward specific social, emotional, or behavioral needs. By using a tiered system of proactive interventions, schools are able to address and reduce behavior disruptions.  If data indicate that some students are struggling, the school provides a targeted intervention or support. Additionally, a few students may receive intensive, individualized interventions such as self-monitored checklists or more frequent options for movement. Each intervention is tailored to a student’s specific areas for improvement. *Inclusive Behavior Instruction*emphasizes positive goals and expectations, along with the appropriate supports and interventions so that all students can successfully manage their behavior.

MES was asked to participate in the 2015 NH Art Educators' Association (NHAEA) "Celebrating Youth Art Month" Exhibit; presented in collaboration with the Karl Drerup Art Gallery at Plymouth State University. The NHAEA is a professional organization for art educators from every level of instruction and those interested in the future of art education. For over 25 years, NHAEA has provided an exemplary networking opportunity and collegial support for art educators throughout New Hampshire. For this exhibit, art teachers from more than 30 schools were asked to select three works from their students, creating a visual presentation that not only displays the imagination and skill of the students, but also the guidance and creativity of the teachers.

Mrs. Robinson had a really tough job deciding which three artworks to select as representatives of the amazing artists here at MES! She decided to choose one 6th grade "Op Art" piece, one 5th grade basket, and one 4th grade "New Hampshire Starry Night" drawing. Congratulations to Dalton Petell, Devon Nadeau, and Ashley Garside, whose artworks will be installed in the exhibit, which will be on view March 1-April 10 in the Silver Center for the Arts, Plymouth.

