

MGNS NEWSLETTER

November 2020



CALENDAR

Nov 9 -15 Fired Up Pottery
Fundraiser

Nov 13 – Scholastic Book Orders
End

Nov 6 – PJ Storytime 7pm

Nov 16-20 Food Drive

Nov 20 – PJ Storytime 7pm

Nov 25 – 27 No School
Thanksgiving Break

UPDATES FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Hello MGNS Families,

As you know, MGNS will remain an all-virtual program through at least the end of the second quarter (January 22, 2021). As we continue (and continue, and continue!) to figure out how to navigate this challenging and uncertain time, I've tried to take a moment to look back at what we have been able to accomplish. Our school has done an amazing job transitioning to distance learning. Many of you have expressed gratitude for our teachers and how our virtual program is exceeding your expectations. I am no less impressed at how our staff has risen to the occasion. I appreciate all the encouragement and compliments that I've seen passed on to our great team of teachers. I'm thankful too, for a Board of Directors that has adapted to the circumstances and continues to volunteer their time for the benefit of our school. This situation is not ideal, to say the least. I'm glad we can say that we have both a staff and school board that continues to shine through these trying times.

Now, as we move ahead to another quarter of virtual learning, we continue to welcome your feedback and want you to know you can reach out at any time for resources, with questions, or just to connect with MGNS. As a parent co-op, we truly value your opinions. You can opt-in to the virtual OCTOPI program (which will continue to include playground time though the winter months) at any time. Please contact us any questions.

Read on for more information about fundraisers and updates!
Thank you all for being part of the MGNS community!

Take care and stay well,

Kathryn Mingione, President MGNS Board of Directors
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PLAYGROUND

Playground schedule will be every week starting the week of November 2

Dolphins: Tuesday and Thursday 10:30-11:30

Manatees: Tuesday and Thursday 2:30-3:30

Starfish and Penguin: Will be a combined class Monday and Friday from 10-11, and students are welcome to attend both times. One teacher from each class.

FUNDRAISERS

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone for helping to support our school with Butter Braids - we sold over 300 Butter Braids!

And, another **HUGE THANK YOU** to everyone supporting MGNS with our Chipotle dine-out event! We raised \$355.04 for our school!

Join us in November for our Fired Up! Fundraiser! Stop by Fired Up! pottery the **week of November 9-15** to pick out a piece of pottery to take home to paint, or you can reserve a table at the studio to paint there. When you check out, be sure to mention MGNS so we get a portion of your sale! If you're not comfortable shopping during regular business hours, you can call the store 608-442-9900 to set up a time to shop. If you take your piece home to paint, you will have to return it to the store to be fired.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

NEW! During the COVID-19 crisis, you can choose to have your child's online book order shipped right to your door or delivered to MGNS with our class order. All orders earn FREE Books for our class—thank you for your support!

Due Date: **11/13/20**

Connect to [Our Class Page](#)

Shop the flyers for your child's grade together: [Scholastic Flyer](#)

Class Code: **RNZYK**

Please feel free to forward the Class Page link to extended family and friends who may want to support your child's reading.

PJ STORYTIME

Wear your jammies and join us for Zoom bedtime stories on Friday **November 6** and Friday **November 20** at 7pm! Bring your favorite blanket, popcorn, cuddle toy, or whatever. A Zoom link will be emailed to you the weeks of November 6 and 20.



MGNS will be having a food drive for folks in our community the week of **November 16-20**. We would love for everyone who can to drop off canned/dry goods at any of these times when teachers will be at school, outside and can collect your contributions:

Monday, November 16 10-11am Starfish and Penguins will be on the playground

Monday, November 16 11-11:30am Patrice will be doing Toy check out

Tuesday, November 17 10:30-11:30am AND 2:30-3:30pm Dolphins or Manatees will be on the playground

Thursday, November 19 10:30-11:30am AND 2:30-3:30pm Dolphins or Manatees will be on the playground

Friday, November 20 10-11am Starfish and Penguins will be on the playground

Friday, November 20 11-11:30am Patrice will be doing toy check out.

If none of those times work, then you can leave your donation in our "Drop off Bin" next to the MGNS playground. If any MGNS family is experiencing food insecurity please, let us know and we will help.

THANKSGIVING AND WINTER BREAK

There will be no zooms, toy check out, or playground meetings during Thanksgiving (November 25-27) and Winter (December 21-January 1) breaks.



DO YOU SEE THE TURKEY?