

In addition, our second semester supply list will be a bit delayed while we figure out how to run snack, and what we will need. The sign up for second semester parent duties as well as the sign up for Helping Parent will come out on the morning of **Monday, December 27th at 9 am.**

Our family wishes your family a happy and healthy December and winter break. Thank you for sharing your children with us.

Sue Carr
School Director

2022 PLAYGROUND SCHEDULE

When we return to school on **January 3**, the schedule for the AM kids will switch. Penguins and Starfish will begin their day on the playground and Dolphins will end their day on the playground. So! Penguin and Starfish parents, bring your kiddos to the gate at the playground to drop off, fully dressed for outdoor play! We will dismiss them from our classroom with their coat, hat and mittens on.

Dolphin parents, drop your kids in the Dolphin classroom, and pick them up from the playground at dismissal.

Sea Otter Parents, your schedule is staying the same!

FUNDRAISERS

Our Culver's Dine Out Night will be on TUESDAY, December 14 from 5-8 p.m. at the Cottage Grove location only (4401 Cottage Grove Road). Come on out and stop in, drive through, or order "CurdSide pick up" and support MGNS! Make sure to tell family, friends and neighbors to stop in and **mention MGNS when placing their orders.** Our school will earn a percentage of all sales from our event!

CONGRATULATIONS to all of our Jellyfish Jaunt participants and our TOP 3 mileage finishers! Our participants helped raise over \$1200 in donations from their sponsors for our school. Wahoo! Great work everyone!

1st PLACE – Lillian H (Dolphin) with 40 miles

2nd PLACE – John M (Dolphin) with 39 miles

3rd PLACE – Elizabeth L (Penguin) with 18.5 miles

THANK YOU to everyone that stopped by Fired Up Pottery to pick up a piece to paint or purchase a gift card to use at a later date. We hope all of our MGNS friends enjoyed this family-favorite fundraiser!

STORYTIME



Please join Board members Kathryn Mingione and Beth Kernan for a nighttime story time on Friday, December 10 at 7 pm. Your teachers will send you a Zoom link- so jammie up, make some popcorn, and snuggle in for a night of songs, stories and fun.

IT'S TIME TO START THINKING SPRING FLING!!! Our biggest fundraiser of the year, **our annual SPRING FLING, is coming up on Saturday, April 9, 2022.** We do not know whether we will be able to have a live event, or a virtual one again, but either way we will have a concert with everyone's favorite, David Landau, and have breakfast too!! Just like in years past, this year's Spring Fling will again feature a silent auction with amazing products, services, experiences, handmade items and more! **A huge part of our success every year is donations from our families** - if you have an item you would like to donate to the auction, please reach out to your fundraising coordinators: Aimee or Clint (fundraising@mgns.org) and we'll make arrangements to pick up your donation. In the past we've had everything from handmade hats, artwork, quilts and more! These long winter months are just the time to craft something up that someone else would love! More details will be coming in the next few months! coming in the next few months!

SIGN EXTRAVAGANZA

We are proud to announce that our 2nd annual Yard Sign Extravaganza will kick off on January 15, 2022 and run through our Enrollment dates – February 15 is the last one. Whether you have already made it a tradition to display an MGNS yard sign or have never done so before but would like to, this day is for you! You can pick up a sign at school if you do not already have one, On January 15, have some fun with it - take a picture or a video of you and your kids putting out your sign and post it to your favorite social media platforms using **#joinmgns**. Don't use social media? Send your picture to MGNS Director Sue Carr, letting her know if it is okay to put on the MGNS facebook page. All photos or videos submitted will be entered to win a family pizza party. Go wild! Dress up, decorate your sign, blow some noise makers - it is *Yard Sign Extravaganza Day* after all!



And remember, you are our best source for new families. At this point, we are planning for an Open House on Saturday, February 5 for new families who may want to join our school. Remember that if a new family mentions you on their application, a gift card is coming your way! Also if you are planning to return to us in the fall, registration for current families is Monday, February 7 at 8 am. Lots more information about that to come in the coming months.



Early in 2022, we will be having our famous box week! So as those brown shipping boxes come in for the holidays, save them for us and bring them in January. We put away the toys, set up all the boxes, and let the kids build, create and imagine. So, the bigger the better, but we take all sizes! Usually just plain boxes work best, so that the kids can color and paint on them!

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Thank you to everyone who ordered Scholastic books and have been patiently waiting. Scholastic has had a hard time keeping up with orders, and we are HOPING that everything arrives at school by December 17. Please remember to let us know if your books are gifts and you want to pick them up in the office - otherwise we will pop them in your kiddo's bin as soon as they arrive! We will be sending out information about our next order in the New Year!

FAMILY FUN

Family Fun events coming up for Monona Grove Nursery School Kiddos.

- Sunday, January 23 at 6:30- Family Yoga on Zoom with Megan. Ever wondered what your kiddos do in Yoga class at school? Megan will lead a virtual class on Zoom for the whole family to join in!
- MGNS afternoon at the Monona Bank RiverRink- Yup, we rented the whole rink for MGNS families to skate together! Watch for a sign up coming soon, and we are asking each family to pay \$7 to participate. Bring your own skates if you can, or there will be skates available too. Tentatively scheduled for Sunday, February 6 from 4:45-6:45!