

MGNS NEWSLETTER

November 2022



CALENDAR

Nov 1-16 MGNS Canned Food Drive

Nov 6 – Fired Up Pottery

Nov 8 – No School
Election Day

Nov 11 – Zoom Storytime with
Board members 7pm

Nov 16 – Ian's Pizza
Garver Feed Mill 5-9pm

Nov 18 – Penguins Feast Day

Nov 21 – Starfish Feast Day

Nov 22 – Dolphins and Sea
Otters Feast Day

Nov 23 – 25 No School
Thanksgiving Break

Dec 11 – Madison Capitols
Hickey Team

FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Happy November, everyone!

I hope you all are having a wonderful autumn season. It's been a big couple of months with our fall fundraisers, our first in-person Meet, Greet & Eat since 2019, and our recent Halloween celebrations. We're excited about what's ahead in the coming months - read on to find out about our Fired Up Pottery Fundraiser, Ian's "Dough"nation Night, and our Madison Capitols Hockey Night out for MGNS.

This month we're also bringing back our winter "Zoom Storytimes" for one Friday night per month for "cold-weather" season. This is a fun way to stay cozy in your own home (...maybe with jammies, popcorn.... and/or hot cocoa! :) while also connecting with friends from school. We hope your family will join our parent volunteers for these fun storytimes!

This month is always a great reminder to be thankful for all we have and all we have to look forward to. During this season of giving, we will be hosting a food drive for St. Stephen's Food Pantry (November 1st-16th). If you'd like to contribute, you can bring your non-perishable food donations and drop them off in the large bins you'll see in the hallway. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

I have a great deal of gratitude for all the families who are and who have been a part of this community. I love running into alumni families and hearing about the wonderful memories they have of their time at MGNS. It's wonderful to know these special memories are being made each and every day in our classrooms. I'm grateful for our class ambassadors who have spent time organizing outside-of-school get-togethers for their respective classes when we are closed on November 8th for election day (don't forget to vote!). And, I am grateful for our very dedicated Board of Directors which includes our wonderful staff - all your efforts and hard work are so appreciated!

Here's to sharing the "attitude of gratitude" all month long!

Kathryn Mingione, MGNS Board President

LUNCH BUNCH

We have openings in our Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday Lunch Bunch groups! Join us if you like!

KIDDOS COAT AND WINTER GEAR

Remember to put your kiddos coat and winter gear on top of their bin so that they can easily dress themselves when they go outside!

FUNDRAISERS

We would like to thank everybody who supported the butter braid sales. We raised \$2,340 for MGNS through this sale! We'd especially like to thank our top sellers Lily Wojta, Natalie Fait, and Ira Osowski.

Upcoming Fundraising Information:

On **November 6**, is our **Fired Up Pottery school fundraiser!** Come enjoy a fun activity day painting pottery at the studio. Fired Up is graciously donating 30% of the proceeds to MGNS. So, make sure you mention our name when you check out! Don't forget, gift cards are also included in the fundraiser!



On **November 16 from 5-9**, we're hosting a fundraiser with **Ian's Pizza at Garver Feed Mill**. The school receives a percentage of sales when mentioning MGNS while ordering. You can order online at <https://ianspizza.com> and add "MGNS" to the end of your name as well, or bring the flyer in with you from your brown bags.

On **December 11**, we're hosting a fundraiser with the **Madison Capitols Hockey Team** in Middleton. There's a postgame skate with the players and mascot as well as a stuffed animal drive to donate to children in need.

Tickets are \$15 with proceeds from tickets benefiting the school. We'll also be hosting a raffle at the game. You can purchase tickets at the following link: https://bit.ly/mgns_hockey.

A huge thank you to the folks who came out to support us on our MGNS Culver's Night! Because of you, we raised a whopping \$1,129.26 for the school. Thank you! And thank you to the folks who own Cottage Grove Road Culvers!

JELLYFISH JAUNT - Thank you to everyone who participated in the Jellyfish Jaunt! We appreciate you!

FEAST DAYS

We are so looking forward to Feast Days! All Families are invited! The dates are:

- Starfish - Monday, November 21
- Dolphins and Sea Otters - Tuesday, November 22
- Penguins - Friday, November 18th



Big thank you to our MGNS board members who are again sponsoring Zoom Storytimes on Friday nights each month in the winter! Mark your calendars for **November 11, December 16, January 13** and **February 10**.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDER

We will be doing one more Scholastic order for the holidays. We will be sending home a flyer this week!