MGNS NEWSLETTER

October 2022



FROM THE SCHOOL DIRECTOR

CALENDAR

Oct 1 – Jellyfish Jaunt Kick-Off event 9-11am

Oct 7 – Meet, Greet, and Eat Starfish, Dolphins, and Toddler Time 5-6pm Sea Otters and Penguins 6-7pm

Oct 12 – School Picture Day Starfish, Dolphins, and Sea Otters

Oct 13 – Butter Braid pick up 12:00-1:30pm in Fellowship Hall

Oct 13 – School Picture Day Penguins and ALL Toddler Time kids and Alumni kids (10-11am)

Oct 25 – Culver's Dine Out Night 5-8pm

Oct 27 – Halloween Parade Sea Otters

Oct 28 – Halloween Parade Penguins and Dolphins

Oct 31 – Halloween Parade Starfish

Oct 31 – Jellyfish Jaunt Ends

Nov 8 – Election Day No School

Nov 11 – Jellyfish Jaunt Pledges Due Hello MGNS Families,

On behalf of the entire MGNS staff and community, I would like to celebrate together our first month of school this year! We have full classes, lots of lunch bunchers, excited kids and teachers, and the vibe in the air here is good! Thank you to everyone who has gotten their forms and paperwork in to us, and all of you who continue to support your kids as they walk that road towards more and more independence. We love to watch kids discover that they can do it themselves, and we encourage you, as parents, to continue to remind your kids that they can carry their own stuff, try to put on their shoes, use the bathroom, serve their own food, and do all things independently! Our words are often-"you try first, and then I will help!" Most times they can do it!

October brings a lot of exciting stuff here at school- the Kickoff to the Jellyfish Jaunt and getting out there to walk and run to support the school! We will begin regular yoga classes soon, and Halloween is coming! So much fall fun while we celebrate leaves, apples, pumpkins, and all things fall! And of course, we cannot wait to see all of our friends at the Meet, Greet and Eat on Friday, October 7. It is a fun night for the whole family to see the classrooms and meet the teachers!

Thank you to all of our families who have been using our "<u>Sick Kids</u> <u>Google Form!</u>" This has certainly helped us track the illnesses and possible Covid exposures (None thus far!!) at our school. Thank you for accurately filling this out!

Enjoy this beautiful weather and thank you for the support of our school. We are going to have a great year!

As always, please reach out with questions or concerns. Sue Carr, School Director suec@mgns.org Be sure to get your **order forms** in for the **Meet**, **Greet**, **and Eat on October 7**. It is a fun night for the whole family to see the classrooms and meet the teachers!

SCHOOL PICTURES

School pictures are set for October 12 and 13.

The form was sent home but also can be accessed here. <u>School Pictures Order Form</u> Please make your checks out to Family Tree Photography.

School pictures are simply provided as a service- they are not required!

October 12 - Dolphins, Sea Otters and Starfish

October 13 - Penguins and ALL toddler Time kids and Alumni kids (anytime from 10-11am)

HELPFUL HINTS FROM THE TEACHERS

Please remember to label your clothes!

A reminder! Our students serve themselves snack. Keep it simple and easy for them to do that. Two choices is plenty!

Please remember to take your kiddos to use the bathroom before school and before Lunch bunch.

ELECTION DAY – NO SCHOOL

Election Day! Just a reminder that MGNS is closed on Tuesday, November 8th for Election Day. Because the church is a polling site, our board decided to close for the day to keep everyone safe!

EXTRA VOLUNTEERS

Thank you for signing up for your co-op parent duty this fall. We are grateful for your support and involvement at our school. If any families are interested in signing up for an extra volunteer opportunity, we are looking for a few more hands for our **Meet**, **Greet & Eat on Friday**, **October 7** as well as our **Culver's Dine Out on Tuesday**, **October 25**. You can use this link to join the fun: <u>Signup</u>





Butter Braids Pick-up

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Butter Braids fundraiser this year! Please make sure you have submitted your order forms (drop off at school or a photo via email at fundraising@MGNS.org) and checks for your full order made out to MGNS by September 30th. Your orders will be available for pick-up at the school on **Thursday**, **October 13 from 12:00pm-1:30pm** <u>in</u> <u>**Fellowship Hall**</u>.

Jellyfish Jaunt- October 1-31

The beautiful fall weather is upon us and so is the Jellyfish Jaunt! In your child's brown bag, you will find a tracking sheet to document every mile your family walks together in the month of October. Have family and friends sponsor you with \$1/mile (or more!). Add up your miles at the end of the month and collect your pledges! Submit your form and pledge totals in one check to **MGNS by Friday, November 11**. (The top THREE families with the most miles in the Jellyfish Jaunt will get a prize!) Stroller riders, bikers, and runners can count their miles too!

Want to start the month off by getting some miles in with your MGNS friends?? Join us for our Jellyfish Jaunt Kick-Off event on **Saturday, October 1 from 9-11am** at Highland Oaks Park in McFarland, WI (5945 Osborn Dr, McFarland, WI 53558)! A 0.2 mile paved loop through the park is perfect for walking, running, biking, and strollers. Snacks and coffee will be provided. If you have any questions, contact Denay Czerniecki at 218-349-7256. Hope to see you there!

Culver's Scoopie Dine Out Night: Tuesday, October 25 from 5:00pm-8:00pm

Support MGNS by visiting the Culver's on Cottage Grove Road (4401 Cottage Grove Road) by dining in or drive through and mention MGNS when ordering. We earn 10-15% on all sales depending on how much is sold. Tell you family and friends to stop in too! Keep an eye out for MGNS parents and staff who will be helping around the restaurant that night representing us!