

MGNS NEWSLETTER

May/June 2023



CALENDAR

MAY 10 – Heartland Field Trip
Dolphins, Starfish & Sea Otters

MAY 10 – Ian's Pizza 5-9pm

MAY 11 – Heartland Field Trip
Penguins

MAY 8 -12 – Teacher
Appreciation Week

MAY 16 – Aldo Leopold Field Trip
Starfish

MAY 17 – Aldo Leopold Field Trip
Dolphins

MAY 18 – Aldo Leopold Field Trip
Penguins & Sea Otters

JUN 7 – Starfish Picnic 9-11am

JUN 8 – Penguins Picnic 9-11am
Dolphins Picnic 9-11am
Sea Otters Picnic 1:30-3:30pm

JUN 18 – Madison Mallards
Game

FROM THE SCHOOL DIRECTOR

It is always so hard to believe when the end of the year hits us and we start all of our year end rituals! We have all loved our classes this year and we will be sad to see them go!

The end of a school year can seem bittersweet as we say goodbye to friends and families that will soon be alumni! We encourage you to stay in touch with our alumni communications (via our Alumni Relations Coordinator) and our Facebook page. I would also like to thank our Parent Board for all their service this year. A special shout out to Kathryn who has led us- and will again- through a year with a lot of change and emotion. We bid a very fond farewell to a few board members who are all done with their time at MGNS - we'll miss you! Thank you to Sarah Hackett, Clint Cecil, and Elise Gokey who will be moving on from the board! Thank you to Kathryn, Beth, Brooke, Sara, Maria, Chyna, Nicole, Denay and Robin for sticking around to serve another year!

ELV! If you are sticking with MGNS next year, your student's record in ELV will be transferred to their new class- but please be sure, over the summer, to update any authorized pickups or other information about your student. New families! Your invitation to register your kiddo in ELV (our registration system) will arrive in the last week of June, and we appreciate your getting your information in as soon as possible.

END-OF-YEAR PICNIC MGNS always ends the year with a family/class picnic at a local park. It is a time to all be together and celebrate the year we have had! Everyone is invited to join us for whatever amount of time they want! Kids come and stay with parents or guardians.

Here is this year's picnic schedule.

STARFISH - Wednesday, June 7 at 9-11am – Lake Edge Park in Madison

PENGUINS - Thursday, June 8 at 9-11am – Bridge Road Park in Monona

DOLPHINS - Thursday, June 8 at 9-11am – Lake Edge Park in Madison

SEA OTTERS - Thursday, June 8 at 1:30-3:30pm – Lake Edge Park in Madison

Thank you as always, to all of YOU for being a part of our MGNS community! Cheers to a fabulous last few weeks of school and a happy and healthy summer season!

Sue Car
School Director

TEACHER APPRECIATION

Teacher Appreciation is just around the corner and we'll be celebrating **Monday, May 8 - Friday May 12!** You probably saw something come home in the brown bag and you may see some other emails come out! We'll have some signage up around the school that week so please plan on celebrating our amazing MGNS teachers with the board all week long and let's let them know how much we love them!



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A big THANK YOU to everyone who participated in our silent auction event by bidding high and bidding often and sharing the auction with family and friends! We raised over \$6,000 for MGNS!!! What an amazing event that supported our great school immensely!

Mark your calendars for the last dine out event this year! Ian's **Pizza night at the Garver Feed Mill** will be **May 10 from 5-9pm!**

Madison Mallards Game Fundraiser:

Come join us on **June 18, 2023**, for a Father's Day baseball game with the **Madison Mallards!** Gates open at 11:35 AM with first pitch at 12:35 PM. Every \$15 ticket includes a reserved seat with MGNS friends, a \$3 donation, and a Mallards hat! Tickets can be purchased at https://bit.ly/mgns_mallards2023

TODDLER TIME

We are still enrolling for Toddler Time for the fall. If you have any friends or family who might be interested in this great program, send them our way. We would love to meet them and give them a tour of our school.

See our Toddler Time application here: <https://mgns.org/programs/tt/>

Heartland Animal Sanctuary - We will be taking a school bus from school! All kiddos are welcome to bring one parent/guardian. (Sorry, no siblings!)

Wednesday, May 10 at 10AM – Starfish & Dolphins together

Wednesday May 10 at 1PM – Sea Otters

Thursday, May 11 at 10AM – Penguins



Aldo Leopold Nature Center - Families will drop off and pick up at ALNC (not at school). Parents will drop off and pick up kids at the regular times; teachers will meet their classes there. All kids are allowed to bring one parent/guardian. (Sorry, no siblings!)

Tuesday, May 16 – Starfish

Wednesday, May 17 – Dolphins

Thursday, May 18 – Penguins & Sea Otters

SUPPLIES NEEDED

Your Camp Counselors CURRENTLY NEED: Plastic jars with Lids (like peanut butter or fruit AND disposable aluminum pie plates.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK

We will be placing one last Scholastic book order to celebrate the end of our school year and welcome in summer!

With a \$25 order, you can pick a FREE \$5 Book (use code: READS)! To place an order, simply go online, place your order, pay, and when books arrive at school, they will be placed in your child's bin or brown bag. Ready to shop? Visit <https://clubs.scholastic.com> and use our school code RNZYK. *Please list your child's first and last name along with their class name on your order.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Happy Reading!

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