

Marietta Middle School
April 2011

April is upon us, and the students are counting down to the end of the year. But, it is a really big month for MMS. We still have a lot to accomplish before we head into summer, so let's keep the kids tuned in to school as much as possible.

Achievement Tests

At the end of April, April 26 to be exact, we begin our Ohio Achievement Assessments. As we get closer to the actual testing day, your child may start to feel the stress of the test. There are a few things you can do to help your child be a little more at ease. Please make sure your child gets plenty of rest. If your child does not eat breakfast at school, be sure your child has eaten something before leaving for school. Encourage your child to answer every question and to do his or her best work on each test.

Bullying workshop

On March 1 the entire student body met Cathy Nichols from the Ohio Attorney General's Office. She talked to our kids about bullying and Internet safety. She spent a large portion of her presentation talking about Social Networks and the risks involved with having personal information open without any protection. Parents have an important role in monitoring our kids and their online usage. Stay connected, ask questions and look at the sites your child is visiting. If you would like more information contact the Ohio Attorney General's Office at ohioattorneygeneral.gov.

Calculators

We **still** have many calculators available for purchase in the office. The price is \$13.00. The calculators are the same design students will use for the OAA, which makes them a fantastic test practice tool. Be sure to get yours now.

Early Release

During the month of April there is an Early Release scheduled on April 13. **All students will be dismissed at 12:12 p.m.** Students must leave the campus immediately so please make the necessary arrangements.

Interim Reports

Interim reports will be distributed April 15.

PTO!!!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Academic Expo and parent Teacher Conferences. The meal PTO provided to the staff was wonderful. It was a successful event and a lot of fun for those who helped.

Spirit Store

Last week our Spirit Store opened and was a tremendous success. During the lunch period, students and staff were able to choose from a variety of Tiger gear brought in by the PTO. Mrs. Kiefer's class did a wonderful job managing the store. They took their task quite seriously and worked with great enthusiasm. This is just another way we are trying to inject a little more spirit and color into MMS!

Volunteers

As you know we are always looking for volunteers. We still have events that we need help covering. Our 6th grade team is also recruiting volunteers for a COSI experience. Please contact Dion Prunty ma-tprunty@seovec.org or Ginger Brown tgbrown@seovec.org for more information about how you can help.

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7 – Fine Arts Festival at MHS 6:00 p.m.

13 – **Early Release – all students dismissed 12:12!**

15 – Interims

*PTO Dance 7:00 – 9:00

21 – 24 – **No School –Spring Break!**

26, 28) – **OAA Testing – Reading and Math**

May 2 - **(OAA Science 8th grade only)**

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SOFTBALL
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4/5	Warren Blue	H	5:00PM
4/7	Marietta Black	A	5:00PM
4/11	Morgan	H	5:00PM
4/12	Waterford	H	5:00PM
4/14	Warren White	A	5:00PM
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