



Midnight Sun

Family Learning Center

Where the Sun Never Sets on Learning

April 2, 2015

Dates to Remember

April 6-10 State Mandated AMP Testing Grades 3-8
April 15 Grades K-3 Talent Show Auditions Noon
April 16 Grades 4-8 Talent Show Auditions Noon
April 15 Early Release
April 16 APC Annual Meeting 6:00
April 17 Science Fair
April 21-24 MAP Testing
April 23 Orientation 6:00 P.M.
April 24 Turn in Art of Art Contest
April 27-May 1 Spirit Week
April 27 Mustache Monday
April 28 Terrible Hair Tuesday
April 29 Wanta Be Wednesday
April 30 Throw It Thursday
May 1 Fancy Friday
May 1 Talent Show

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Photos Needed

We are looking for photos for the Yearbook. If you have any pictures of class activities or all school activities, please get them on a flash drive to Mrs. Barker.

AMP Testing

AMP Testing begins next week on Tuesday. These tests are replacing the former SBA tests and will be given to students in grades 3-8. These tests have a huge weight on our rating as a school. We are rated on both our students overall scores and the participation by our students. Because we have so few students in our school, it is critical that we have all eligible students participate or we are seriously marked down on our rating.

We will take MAP Tests the week of April 21-24. We know this is a lot of testing, but there are two reasons we should value the tests. First, more and more high schools are viewing these elementary and middle grade test scores to consider class placement at high school. In addition, the scores help to validate that our program is meeting and exceeding the standards established at the District and State levels for students at their grade levels. We hope that you find this information helpful to you as a parent.

As always the best way for

your children to be successful on these tests is to follow the three best practices:
Get a good night of sleep.
Eat a Healthy Breakfast.
Start the day with a positive attitude.

One final testing note: per state law to assure valid test scores, we have to follow numerous security measures during these tests. We cannot have parents in the school April 7-10 and April 21-24 during the school days. We hope you rest up then, because we really need your help on lots of upcoming projects!

Thanks for all you do to support a great learning environment at Midnight Sun!

Chess Club Last Meetings

Wednesday, April 8 3:45
Thursday, April 16 8:10
Wednesday, April 22 3:30 - Party

Spirit Week

This year Midnight Sun Student Council will be sponsoring Spirit Week April 27 through May 1.

All students in the school had an opportunity to vote for the five themes of Spirit Week. The days are:
April 27 Mustache Monday
April 28 Terrible Hair Tuesday (Crazy Hair Day)
April 29 Wanta A Be Wednesday (Career Day- Dress Up like a job you'd like to have when you grow up.)
April 30 Throw It Thursday (Sports Day)
May 1 Fancy Friday (Wear Fancy clothes- this is a great day to dress like a princess!)

We will have our annual Art Contest. Art will be turned in for the contest on April 24. We do not have anywhere to store art in advance of that day. The categories for the art contest are attached to today's newsletter.

The Talent Show will be on May 1. Students will be able to audition for the Talent Show April 15 and 16. Please see the attached Talent Show Rubric for more details.

Eligibility

Per School District policy: students wishing to participate in a school activity must be in attendance all day on the day of the event or activity. If the activity takes place on the weekend, the student must be in attendance for the full day on Friday and Monday.

Science Fair

Any student in grades K-8 may participate. The Science Fair will be on April 17. Students will have to set up their own projects in the multi. We have judges from outside the school coming to judge. Parents will be able to view the projects at 3:00 on April 17.