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Madison Station Elementary School \* 459 Reunion Parkway \* Madison, MS 39110

## FEBRUARY FUN

**Feb. 3-14:** American Heart Association Heart Challenge at MSE

**Feb. 6:** Madison Middle School Band Concert (for 5<sup>th</sup> graders)

**Feb. 14:** Valentine Parties  
11:00-12:00 (K-2); 12:30-1:30 (3-5)

**Feb. 17:** Holiday- No School

**Feb. 19:** Fifth Grade Science Day

**Feb. 20:** PA Field Trip (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders)

### FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Happy February! We have a busy month ahead at MSE! We will kick off the **Heart Association Heart Challenge** on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and follow that with the excitement of Valentine parties. Our fifth graders will have an opportunity to listen to the Madison Middle band perform and get a glimpse into the opportunities that will be available to them next year. We will have an author, Jordan Heirsch, visiting our school this month to share his books and message about kindness with all of our students. Our fifth graders will also participate in fifth grade Science Day on February 19.

While all of these exciting activities are happening around our school, we will remain focused on mastery of standards that are required in each grade level. We appreciate your support at home as you read nightly with your child, assist with homework, assist with learning math facts, and help students study for assessments.

Martha Hanna  
Principal



- 4- Jennifer Tickner (4)
- 5- Mary Lindley Amacker (4)
- 8- Tanya Robertson (1)
- 9- Janice Williams (Cafeteria)
- 13- Lindsey Barrilleaux (3)
- 13- Heidi Weber (Speech)
- 20- Kenna Culpepper (4)
- 21- Katrina Taylor (Cafeteria)
- 26- Courtney Ford (2)

### FROM OUR PTO PRESIDENT

Wow! It's hard to believe February is already here, but with that comes the reminder to show kindness and love to all. This is something that is shown daily at Madison Station by our teachers, staff, and administrators. They love our children and our children love them back. MSE is a wonderful place for them to grow, learn, and enjoy exciting, new experiences.

I am continually amazed and in awe of how dedicated so many parents are by giving countless hours to help with PTO committees and when teachers need volunteers. This year I feel like I've had an opportunity to see "behind the scenes" of some of these events so I now have an even better perspective of just how much time and commitment you give to make these events so wonderful. I know it also couldn't happen without the generosity of everyone that is willing to contribute when items are needed well. I know this all takes time, hard work, and love. THANK YOU PARENTS!!

I know all of our wonderful room moms have been working hard on planning the Valentine's Day Parties. I look forward to seeing you at MSE on February 14th.

Kathleen Biggs  
PTO President



## February Artist of the Month

Nancy Waggoner



Born in Lowndes County, Nancy Waggoner has lived the past 39 years in Carthage with her husband, Larry. A graduate of MSU, she earned a master's degree at MUW in education. She paints using house paint, texture and crackle medium; 2D mixed media work utilizes old sheet music, various papers, found materials, and metallic leafing. Her work has been shown at shows over the state and was displayed in 2013 at Colvard Union at Miss State in a show called "Craving Color." She was also chosen "featured artist" at the 2014 Prairie Arts Festival. Nancy also won Best in Show at the 2015 Cotton District Art Festival. Specializing in brightly colored work, her stretched canvases range from very small (4x4) to large (36x48.)

Contact her by becoming a friend of her business, Fancy Paints, on Facebook, or e-mail her at [lawnpr@bellsouth.net](mailto:lawnpr@bellsouth.net).



The Teacher Appreciation Committee would like to thank the Melton family with Angel Oak Home Loans for preparing our soup for our "Soup-er Bowl" inspired teacher luncheon on January 29th. Teachers and staff members also enjoyed baked potatoes, salad and homemade chocolate chip pound cake.

This month we are spreading lots of love to our teachers and staff with a special Valentine's Breakfast Treat!

Again, thank you for all of your help and support! Our MSE teachers and staff are amazing and it's a pleasure to be able to treat them.

-Teacher Appreciation Committee-



Every day a student is absent is a lost opportunity for learning. Too many absences not only can affect achievement for the absent student but also can disrupt learning for the entire class. Regular school attendance is essential to the development of reading and math skills. Statistics show that 64% of students with regular school attendance in kindergarten and first grade can read on grade level in third grade.

School attendance is important to the academic success of our children. Please partner with us to take advantage of our days together.



Order your child's yearbook at [www.jostensyearbooks.com](http://www.jostensyearbooks.com).

**Deadline is Friday, Feb. 21**

**\$40**

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