

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

It's hard to believe it is March and Spring Break is just around the corner. We are all ready for beautiful spring weather and maybe a little break from the rain. Spring Break will bring some much-needed time to relax and refresh. When they return from the break we will be moving full force ahead teaching remaining concepts. Our young children need a full night of rest, a healthy breakfast, and time to let their brains explore. Regular school attendance is vital to academic success. Please help us by having your child at school every day and on time so they can get settled in before the bell rings. Many exciting activities and important teacher communications occur during the last nine weeks of school. Be sure to read your student's newsletter to keep up to date of events happening in the classroom and at school. We have much to accomplish in the last weeks of school and want to finish strong! Thank you for sharing your children with us every day!

Martha Hanna Principal



FROM OUR PTO PRESIDENT

Happy Spring MSE Family!

Spring Break is just around the corner so I know we are all thrilled to have a little more SUNSHINE and maybe some warmer weather soon too! March is busy as always at Madison Station with school pictures this month as well as many grade level events.

I hope all of the children had a blast at their Valentine's Day class parties. Thank you for coming, sending items, and/or volunteering to make these a success. Party Day is always an exciting day!

We love having so many fun and exciting events at MSE! All of this cannot be done without your help though. It is time to start thinking about the 2020-2021 PTO Board. Please look over the committee descriptions included in this newsletter. Fill out the form and send to the school office if you are committed and willing to chair, co-chair, or be a member of a PTO committee. We would love to have you! Have a wonderful and safe Spring Break!

Kathleen Biggs PTO President

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- March 6: Second grade Fairy Tale Ball
- March 9-13: Spring Break
- March 16-20: PA Chess Tournament
- March 24: First grade program
- March 25: Spring Pictures (K-2)
- March 27: Spring Pictures (3-5)
- March 27: Second grade Ocean Day
- April 1: Kindergarten Registration
- April 3: Fifth grade trip to New Orleans



Mark your calendars for **April 1** to get your kindergartener registered for school. Children will go to a classroom for a brief introduction to kindergarten while parents complete the necessary paperwork. The classroom experience begins at 8:30.

Please bring immunization, birth certificate, social security card, proof of residency and two utility bills.



7- Tammy Templeton (Music)

9- Angelica Burnside (SPED Asst)

9- Millie Clanton (Resource)

17- Courtney McMullan

18- Leslie Keirn (4)

March Artist of the Month Nancy Waggoner



Born in Lowndes County, Nancy Waggoner has lived the past 40 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 https://www.aku.net.low.org



Thank you for partnering with us in support of The American Heart Association. Your generous contributions, and those of your family and friends, exceeded our wildest expectations.

Together we raised \$27,000 and our school participation was through the roof. 734 students registered for the heart challenge in support of heart healthy living! As a result, our school will receive a \$500 U.S. Games Certificate to be used to purchase P.E. equipment.



The Teacher Appreciation Committee would like to extend our gratitude to several businesses in the community that donated gift cards to show lots of love to our MSE teachers and staff on Valentine's Day! Thank you especially to Fusion Coffeehouse, Cups Coffee Roasters and Espresso Cafe, Mocha Mugs, M7 Coffee House, CC's Coffee House, Smoothie King at Renaissance and Prickly Hippie Coffee Shop. The teachers and staff also enjoyed a heart-filled breakfast including heart-shaped chicken biscuits, yogurt parfaits, juice and coffee on Valentine's Day morning. They will also be treated to a fun fiesta of food when they return from Spring Break! Again, we are so thankful for all of the donations and volunteer time that helps make these events so special!



Spring Pictures 3/25: grades K-2 3/27: grades 3-5

Class group photos will be also be taken at this time.

Pre-orders for an 8x10 group photo can be made through the link below for a \$15 fee.

https://vowellphotography.hhimagehost.com/madisonstation

For an additional \$5, a 5x7 silly class photo can be added.

Order forms for individual photos will be sent home with a proof after pictures are taken.



Just a reminder that we are not done with flu season yet. There have been a large number of students absent lately from flu and also strep throat.

So to help keep as many students and staff members as healthy as possible, it is VERY IMPORTANT that the guidelines on illness stated in our Madison County Schools Handbook be strictly followed.

PLEASE KEEP STUDENTS HOME AND ALLOW THEM TO RETURN TO SCHOOL:
● 24 Hours After Being Fever Free WITHOUT The Aid Of Medication
● 24 Hours After Their Last Episode of Vomiting

Please be courteous to other students and staff by not sharing germs at school

Thanks for helping to keep Madison Station Elementary as healthy as possible.

Stay well, Nurse Shanda



Congratulations! We have reached \$1,000 in Box Tops!! ALL classes have earned an extra **10 minutes of recess**. Enjoy!

Our next goal is \$1,500. Keep sending in your clipped Box Tops and scanning your receipts through the Box Tops app.







MARCH 9-13



RACE LOCATION: MSE (459 Reunion Parkway)

Each race will begin and end at the school

FOOD TRUCKS • DJ DAVE • PRIZES •COLOR EXPLOSION DANCE PARTY

REGISTRATION WEBSITE:

https://www.raceentry.com/mse-color-run/race-information Deadline to register is Friday, March 20th

Race Packet Pick-Up times:

Monday, March 30th from 4-7 PM Tuesday, March 31st from 7-9 AM Wednesday, April 1st from 7-9 AM

The race participation fee is \$35 for an individual runner (includes t-shirt) or \$75 for a FAMILY PACKAGE (includes up to 6 runners in a <u>single household</u> and 2 t-shirts). Additional t-shirts and color packets for the dance party may be purchased on the registration website. Proceeds from the race will go to support school initiatives.

Please see the back of this flyer for sponsorship opportunities!

For any questions, please email:

msecolorrun@gmail.com

In the event of inclement weather, the race may be rescheduled for an alternate date upon short notice.



Madison Station Elementary Color Run Sponsorship Opportunities

Corporate Sponsor

\$500

Corporate Sponsors will receive the following:

- Company logo displayed on Color Run shirts
- Company logo on banners and signage at race
- One Family Race Registration
- Social Media Recognition
- Recognition throughout the event
- Opportunity to put marketing items in race bags

Water Station Sponsor \$250

Water Station Sponsors will receive the following:

- Company logo and signage at water station
- Company logo on signage
- One Individual Race Registration
- Social Media recognition
- Recognition throughout the event
- Opportunity to put marketing items in race bags

Color Station Sponsor \$250

Color Station Sponsors will receive the following:

- Company logo and signage at color station
- Company logo on signage
- One Individual Race Registration
- Social Media Recognition
- Recognition throughout the event
- Opportunity to put marketing items in race bags

Sponsor Name:	
Contact Name:	
Address:	
Email:	
Phone Number:	

Deadline for Sponsorships is Friday, March 20th

Please make checks payable to: MSE PTO

Mail check and form to: MSE PTO c/o Color Run Committee, 459 Reunion Parkway, Madison, MS 39110





PLEASE RETURN TO SCHOOL BY 3/19/20

Below are the available positions on the PTO Board for next school year. Please indicate any and all areas in which you would be willing to serve. Each committee consists of one Chair, Co-Chair, and several committee members. Board positions will be filled and members will be contacted in April. As a reminder, PTO Board meetings are held the first Monday of each month at 12:00 p.m. at MSE.

PARENT NAME:	CHILD'S NAME/GRADE: EMAIL:		
PHONE NUMBER:			
	Chair	Co-Chair	Committee Member
Arts Attack (2 nd)			
Art Sense (K)			
Bus Driver Appreciation			
Fall Festival			
Fundraising (K-2)			
Fundraising (3-5)			
Grounds			
Library Book Fair			
Newsletter			
School Pictures			
School Supplies			
School Support			
Science Lab (K)			
Science Lab (1)			
Science Lab (2)			
Science Lab (3)			
Science Lab (4)			
Science Lab (5)			
Special Events			
Spring Event			
Student Recognition			
Teacher Appreciation			
Teacher Hugs			
T-Shirts			
Yearbook			
Yearbook Sales			



PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Arts Attack: 2nd grade Assist teachers with getting supplies together for monthly artwork.

Arts Sense: Assist teachers with getting supplies together for monthly artwork.

Bus Driver Appreciation: Provide special treats for the bus drivers throughout the year.

Fall Festival: Organize and plan the fall festival held at MSE in October.

Fundraising- K-5th: This committee organizes the annual fall fundraiser for the PTO. The Fall Fundraiser is the biggest fundraising event of the school year. In August and September, volunteers promote the sale along with collecting and tabulating orders. In October, they distribute orders for parent pick-up and plan ice-cream parties for the classes with 75% participation. In the spring of each year, the committee will meet to discuss possible fundraising opportunities for the upcoming school year.

Grounds: The grounds committee removes weeds and maintains all flower beds on the school grounds. We also make sure there are always nice looking plants in the containers at the front and back of the school.

Library Book Fair: Aid and assist the librarian with planning, decorating and working the Library Book Fair.

School Support (Box Tops, Amazon Smile, Kroger, etc.): The School Support Committee promotes the various ways in which families can support the PTO through their purchases (e.g., Box Tops, Amazon Smile, Kroger, etc.). They organize contests for the students and find ways to encourage participation amongst the families of MSE.

School Pictures: Help get information out about school pictures. Work fall & spring picture days by helping teachers get classes organized and lined up for portraits.

Newsletter: Publish the newsletter each month with information provided.

School Supplies: Work with the online company for delivery of school supply boxes. Help distribute boxes on back to school night.

Science Lab (all grades): Work with teacher in getting supplies organized and prepared each month for science labs.

Special Events: Decorate for special events throughout the year (e.g., Meet the Teacher, Kindergarten Registration, New Parent Coffee, and Thanksgiving Lunch)

Spring Event: Plan and organize the spring fundraiser held at MSE.

Student Recognition: Prepare, sort and distribute awards to students with excellent attendance and honor roll each 9 weeks.

Teacher Appreciation: Plan and host special luncheons, gifts, or other programs for faculty and staff each month during the school year.

T-shirts: Design, sell, and deliver school t-shirts.

Teacher Hugs: Distribute teacher birthday "goodies" each month.

Yearbook: Throughout the year, take pictures of students and classes. Help design and produce the yearbook. Volunteer to serve as online page designer.

Yearbook Sales: Promotes yearbook sales through flyers, back to school night, monthly newsletters, Facebook, & MSE website. Designs & distributes flyers for info on yearbook sales. Responds to questions about yearbook sales & whether an order has been placed. Distribute yearbooks to students when they arrive.

Questions? Email ptomadisonstation@gmail.com