Calendar of Upcoming Events

Feb. 1  Student Senate Mtg. 8:10 am room 208
       Gr. 6 Youth Night 6:30-8:30 pm
Feb. 4  Open Enrollment Application Window for 2019-20 Opens
Feb. 7  PTO Mtg. 2:30 pm in Primary School
Feb. 8  PTO Sweetheart Dance (see below)
Feb. 15 No School
Feb. 18 Family Night (Games) 5:30-7:00 pm Primary School
Feb. 20 Culver’s Night 4:00-8:00 pm (see story)
Feb. 21 Requested Parent Teacher Conferences Gr. 5-8
Feb. 22 Student Senate Mtg. 8:10 am room 208
Feb. 24 wk. AMSAC 5/6 Boys Basketball Tournament
       Gr. 5 @ Merton  Gr. 6 @ Erin
Feb. 25 School Board Mtg. 7:00 pm Little Theatre
Feb. 27 NJHS Mtg. 7:30-8:30 am room 126
       Carnival Volunteers’ Mtg. 4:15-5:00 pm
Feb. 28 Gr. 7 Washington DC Trip Mtg. 6:00-6:45 pm LT
In the Event of School Closing Due to Weather Conditions

Mother Nature will deck the outdoor halls very soon. Please review the following information that will be helpful if we have to close school:

- **Sign up for Skylert** if you haven’t done so already! School closing notices will be sent to you via the instructions you indicate with Skylert within your Skyward Family Access. When signing up with Skylert please indicate the ways you want to be contacted for emergencies, including school closings.

- When checking the TV or radio announcements for school closings, please watch for **ARROWHEAD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT** or **ARROWHEAD SCHOOLS**. (Merton School is **not** listed separately!).

- If the weather looks threatening in the morning, review with your child where he/she should go if school closes early: walk home, ride the bus, or if an adult will pick him/her up. Please do not call the office with last minute instructions. Doing so clogs the phone lines and prevents office staff from conveying these messages.

- We ask parents to monitor weather/closings if the weather turns threatening during the school day. **Skylert will inform you** of any early closings as calling parents of all of our students is not possible.

- Please also realize that a two-hour early school closing does not mean that bus routes will operate exactly two hours early. The buses arrive at Merton after completing two prior routes. The length of time any one route takes is dependent on the weather conditions. Be assured that until buses arrive at Merton, your child will remain at school under adult supervision.

**Are we going outside for recess today?**

This is a frequent question once the temperatures drop. Weather guidelines at the Intermediate School state that students will go out for recess unless the temperature is zero degrees or below, or the wind chill is -15 degrees or colder. These guidelines also apply to whether or not students remain outside upon arrival in the morning. Please make sure your children are dressed appropriately for weather conditions.

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**Parents United Consortium**

Parents United is a non-profit consortium of 27 Waukesha County special education departments (including Merton) that have united to provide an educational community service. The mission of the group is to present timely and informative information in a neutral forum for parents and professionals who work with children. The lectures and presentations offered each school year provide essential links, knowledge and networking to the entire community for the ultimate benefit of our students. The following programs will be held at the Ingleside Hotel (formerly Country Springs Hotel), 2810 Golf Rd, Pewaukee. Contact Kara Roeming, Event Coordinator for more information at events@parentsunitedwi.org. To register for an event, visit http://parentsunitedwi.org/register-now/ or call (262) 345-7810. See the full page attachment on the Mustang Memo website for details.

**Wed., February 6, 2019**

9:00-11:30 am

**Trauma & Resilience in Schools**

Presented by David Woodford, Student Assistance Coordinator, Pewaukee School District

**Tues., February 19, 2019**

6:00-8:30 pm

**Parenting and Teaching with Love and Logic**

Presented by Gena Santharam & Jody Calarco, Richmond School District
Open House Meeting Rescheduled!

2019–2020 Kindergarten Enrollment
4 & 5-Year-Old Kindergarten
DATE: Wednesday, February 13, 2019
TIME: 6:30 – 7:30 pm
PLACE: Primary School cafeteria
Parents only please.

Merton Community School District is in the planning process for next year’s Kindergarten classes. We are gathering information on children who will be NEW enrollees in the 2019-20 school year for 4K or 5K. If you plan to enroll your child at Merton Primary next year for one of the above-mentioned programs please notify Melissa Smith in the Primary Office at 538-2227 or e-mail to smithm@merton.k12.wi.us at your earliest convenience. We would like to include your family on our mailing list for new enrollees. A letter of invitation will then be sent out for parents to attend our annual Parent Information Night. If you have a neighbor who is new to our district or know of a family who is planning to enroll at Merton next year, please share this information with them. (If your child is currently enrolled here you do not need to respond to this request. We are looking for information on NEW enrollees at this time.) If you have questions about enrollment for next year, please contact the Primary office at the number listed above.

This meeting will include (but is not limited to):
😊 2019 - 4K NEW enrollees
😊 2019 - 5K NEW enrollees
😊 Families interested in open enrolling into Merton’s 4K or 5K programs
😊 All current 4K parents are invited to attend to learn about 5K for next year

Chess Club Session 4 Begins Soon
Relax and challenge your brain at the same time with chess. Checkmates Chess Academy will begin Session 4 on February 14th. Each session runs for 6 weeks, and all grade levels and ability levels are welcome. Not sure if it's the right fit for your child? New students are always welcome to try out one class before committing. See the attachment on the Mustang Memo website for registration and payment details. Questions? Contact Corinne Meissner via email at meissnerc@merton.k12.wi.us.

REGISTRATION is OPEN for the following programs…
Coed 4K/5K Coach Pitch/T-Ball
Girls rec Fastpitch for Grades 1st-9th grade
Boys rec Baseball for Grades 1st-8th
Registration for T-Ball/Baseball/Fastpitch
CLOSES MARCH 31st!!!!
Check out www.mertonathletics.org for the latest MAA information.
Wed., February 20th

Here’s an easy way to raise money for Merton schools. Visit the Culver’s located just off of Hwy. 83 and Cardinal Lane in Hartland on Wed., February 20th from 4:00-8:00 pm and enjoy a meal or treat. Culvers will donate a portion of the evening’s proceeds to us!

CAMP INVENTION IS BACK July 29 - August 2

Unmask your child’s creativity this summer in the all-new Camp Invention® program, Supercharged, where children transform their wild imaginations into epic creations. As part of Summer School the cost of the program is $40 for the week. Campers in grades K-6 will code robots and use collaboration and creative problem solving during hands-on, STEM activities. We are also looking for Counselors in Training (7th & 8th graders) to participate in our program. Registration starts February 15th by calling Camp Invention directly at (800) 968-4332.

Student Absences, Vacations & Homework Requests

Please remember that it is the parent’s responsibility to notify the office whenever your child is absent. While it’s always helpful to inform teachers, it is not the teacher’s job to then clue the office in on a particular absence. Our teachers assume that parents have already done so. That said, absences can be phoned in to (262) 538-1130 or sent via email to emmerichb@merton.k12.wi.us. If you know in advance of an upcoming absence or vacation, please forward this information to the office as soon as possible. Students not called in are marked “unexcused” until we hear otherwise.

Per School Board Policy 4001.5 and the Student Handbook Pg. 3, assignments will be given to students after they return from vacation or any other absence. It is the student’s responsibility to make certain that all assigned work is obtained and completed after returning to school.

News from Pauline Haass Public Library, Sussex

BYGONE DAYS: A VICTORIAN TEA will be presented by Lynn Walter-Gibbs on Tues., February 19th at 1:00 p.m. at the Pauline Haass Public Library. Walter-Gibbs returns to discuss the English custom made popular in the 1800s. She will speak about the history of tea, brewing, various types and tastes of tea. The program includes displays, artifacts and resources on tea. The culmination of the program will be a tea tasting. This free program will last about an hour. No registration is required. This and other programs are presented by Friends of the Library to provide learning opportunities to the residents of the area. Upcoming programs include “The Music of Friends” – Irish musicians – on March 14; “Identity Theft: Protect and Prevent” on April 17. The library is located at N64 W23820 Main Street, Sussex. The parking lot entrance is at the stop light across from Piggly Wiggly. More information may be obtained by calling (262) 246-5180 during regular library hours. If a program is required in a format accessible to people with disabilities, please call at least 72 hours in advance.
Career Day 2019
Merton Intermediate School is hosting a half day career event on Friday, April 26, 2019. The event will take place between 8:30 - 11:30 at the Intermediate School. We are seeking professionals to participate in either of the following options:

1. Speaking to students during 25 minute sessions about your career and highlighting the opportunities of your career field or company
2. Conducting Mock-Interviews with 6th - 8th grade students using provided questions.

We are hoping to give students an opportunity to explore a wide variety of career fields, so please consider sharing your time and expertise with our students! All questions & interest can be sent to Mary Iwanski at iwanskim@merton.k12.wi.us.

Village of Merton Happenings
The Merton Sheepshead Group meets at the community center on Main Street on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month starting at 7:00 pm. No experience required. This is a great way for community members to meet each other and learn a classic German card game. Contact Julie Ofori Mattmuller at the village hall if you need more information. (262) 538-0820.

Summer School 2019
Session One: Mon., June 10 – Thur., June 27 (no Friday classes)
Session Two: Mon., July 8 – Thur., July 25 (no Friday classes)
Session Three: Mon., August 5 – Fri., august 16 (Monday through Friday)
Attachments can be found on the same page as the Mustang Memo. They’re listed in the right-hand column of the page. This week’s attachments include:

- 2019-20 School Calendar
- 2018-19 School Calendar
- Helpful Tips from the Crazy Office Lady
- Food Service Account Balance Guidelines
- Free & Reduced Lunch FAQ
- envision Math At-Home Support
- Checkmates Chess Academy Jan.-Feb.
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- PUMS Trauma & Resilience in Schools (2/6/19)
- PUMS Teaching with Love & Logic (2/19/19)
- PUMS A Guide to Guardianship… (2/27/19)
- Arrowhead Lake Country Wrestling Club
- AHS Scholarship Fund Dinner (2/8/19)

**MUSTANG MEMO DEADLINES**

Thursday @ noon for a normal 5-day week
Wednesday @ noon for a short 4-day week

Email your information to emmerichb@merton.k12.wi.us

If you have news for both the Mustang Memo and the Primary School’s Friday Flyer publication, please include Mrs. Smith’s email address smithm@merton.k12.wi.us when you submit your information.
Monthly Box Tops Collection

Ask your friends and family to clip and send in Box Tops by the last school day of each month.
No need to clip perfectly, but the top left CODE and EXPIRATION need to be intact. Label baggie with Name, Grade/Teacher, and # of boxtops included.

Please check EXPIRATIONS!

*Monthly + Trimester Prizes*
Jess Anderson  
jessica888@sbcglobal.net

Erin Madlung  
zindaehotmail.com

Michele Cook  
cook1836@wi.rr.com

Available at the Primary School office.
Save on walk-up rates & support Merton.

Springs Water Park
2810 Golf Road  Pewaukee, WI  53072
Blackout dates are  12/21/18 - 1/2/19
3/23/19 - 3/31/19 and 4/13/19 - 4/28/19

Checks payable to Merton PTO or exact dollar amounts only.

Questions? Contact Jenny Shotola
shotolaj@gmail.com

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