



Jean McNair Elementary

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News to Note

Library News

During the week of February 18-22, our students talked about Internet Safety during their Library time. What is personal information (name, phone number, address, pass words), keeping personal information private, privacy settings, and cyberbullying were topics of the lesson. Just like we practice drills for fire and tornado, we discussed a plan of what to do when something doesn't feel right on-line. For example, what would you do if someone is saying mean things and bullying on-line? What would you do if someone you didn't know was asking for your name or age? The lesson was designed for them to think about what they would do and who they would go to for help. There are resources for parents and families to use to help keep your children safe. A site that offers good information for families with topics such as, "What parents should know about Fortnite" to videos about how to keep information safe can be found at www.common sense.org. Let's keep the communication open with what's happening on-line. We want them to BE SAFE!

Cafeteria News

Recently, we've made some changes to our breakfast program, the most important being that breakfast will no longer be served after 7:45am. That means students will need to arrive by 7:40 in order to get their breakfast and be ready to go to class by 7:55am.

5 Essentials Parent Survey

The state has extended the deadline to March 15 for parents to complete this comprehensive, evidence-based tool designed to drive improvement in schools, identifying both areas of strength and areas in need of support. Please take about 10 minutes to complete the survey, skipping any questions you do not wish to answer, but click all the way to the end of the survey to submit. The survey link is <https://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois> and select the parent survey. Thanks for your participation!

Nursing News

Your child may be given vision and hearing screenings this school year. Vision screening is not a substitute for a complete eye and vision evaluation by an eye doctor. You will be notified if your child does not pass the screening. If your child passed, this screening should not replace an eye appointment with an eye doctor. Vision screening does not evaluate eye health and important vision skills needed for success in school. Only an examination by an eye doctor can identify eye and vision problems and prescribe treatment.

Upcoming Dates

- Grade 3 Music Concert (rescheduled from 2/11), Thursday, February 28, 6:30pm, WHS
- Early Dismissal (1pm) for School Improvement, Friday, March 8
- PTO Family Fun Fair, Saturday, March 16, WHS, 10:30am-2:00pm
- Abilities Awareness Week, March 18-March 22
- Kids Club Registration for 2019-2020 School Year, Thursday, March 21, Simon Elementary School Cafeteria, 4-5:30pm
- Spring Break, Monday, March 25-Friday, March 29
- School Resumes, Monday, April 1
- Winnebago PTO Free Laser Quest Event, Tuesday, April 2
- Land of Smiles Dental Presentation, Grades 3 and 4, Wednesday, April 3
- State IAR (Formerly PARCC) Testing Window, April 8-April 26 (Details sent home in March)
- **SAVE THE DATE!** Family Night @ McNair, Thursday, April 25 (More details sent home after Spring Break)

AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP

Just a reminder to continue pulling forward in line when picking up your child after school. In addition, we ask that if you're not in line, you park in any available parking stall and walk towards the front entrance to meet your child so they are not walking in the parking lot alone. Also please do not drive against the flow of traffic or stop and create a second lane of pick-up traffic, we need to keep the flow of traffic moving for everyone's safety! THANK YOU for your continued cooperation..

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
25	26	27	28 Grade 3 Music Concert, 6:30pm, WHS Gym	March 1 Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom visits Gr. 3
4	5	6	7	8 1pm Early Dismissal for School Improvement
11	12 PTO Meeting, McNair Library, 3:30	13	14	15 Don't Forget! PTO Fun Fair Tomorrow, March 16, 10:30-2:00
18	19 Spring Picture Day (Details sent home soon)	20	21	22 Third Qtr. Grading Period ends
25 Spring Break	26 Spring Break	27 Spring Break	28 Spring Break	29 Spring Break
April 1 Welcome Back! Fourth Qtr. Grading Period begins	2	3	4	5 Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom visits Gr. 3 Report Cards sent home