

Marysville Monthly Memo

December 2019



NEW: SAFE ARRIVAL & INCLEMENT WEATHER

All parents/guardians are asked to **report their student's absence, regardless of the reason, including bus cancellation days.** Often, bused students find alternative ways to school and we want to ensure we know the whereabouts of every student to ensure their safety and well-being. Knowing who is supposed to be at school will allow school office staff to best ensure all students are accounted for. For more information on the Safe Arrival/Absence Reporting process, please see the LDSB website at: <https://www.limestone.on.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalId=352782&pageId=15815305>

Food Bank

Marysville is accepting non-perishable food items for the Partners in Mission Food Bank. A donation box will be placed under our Christmas tree in the main foyer until the holidays.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 4 - Living on Wolfe Island Recording

Marysville students will be joined by musician, Gary Rasberry, to record the lyrics for the song "Living on Wolfe Island". The song was previously written in a March 2015 workshop with Gary and the primary class at the time. You can check out Gary Rasberry's website at: <http://garyrasberry.com/>

Dec 13 - Jingle Bell Walk @ 10:30am

The Jingle Bell Run is a fun, festive and active way for everyone to kick off the holiday season. Parents are welcome! An invitation has also been extended to the Early Years Centre to join us for the walk.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS CONCERT
DECEMBER 18
1:30PM

DONATIONS TO THE FOOD BANK ARE
GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED AS ADMISSION

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

Dec 20 - MPS Spirit day

Wear your PJ's, or **red & green**, (or both!), to show your holiday school spirit!

Dec 20 - Puppet Play

Sarah Balint from the Kingston Frontenac Public Library presents two Christmas puppet plays. The Early Years Centre folks have been invited to join us as well.

Friday Hot Lunches

Dec 6 - Beef stew & sweet potato biscuits

Dec 13 - Chicken with rice & broccoli

Dec 20 - Potato Latkes & Tourtière



Holiday Countdown



Children love holidays! Help them countdown this year without all the holiday drama. Support math learning and reading skills while having fun rhyming, counting and learning about patterns.



**Create a
Holiday Chain
with your child!**

Use two colours of construction paper. Cut paper into strips (one for each day from now until the special day). Together decide on a colour pattern for the chain (green-red-green-red; or red-green-green etc.) After creating your pattern, have your child print one number on each paper strip to show the number of sleeps to the big day. Interlock and staple all strips to create a chain. Have your child cut off one chain each day to see time shorten as the special day draws closer. Keep a playful attitude!



Read *Llama llama holiday drama*
(Anna Dewdney). A great read-aloud that will have you saying "How many more days again?"

Provided by: **Ontario Early Years Literacy Specialists**

*From all of the staff at Marysville...
a very Merry Christmas
and a safe and Happy New Year!*



What's Cookin'?



Ms. Etmanskie's senior class spent four days at Tech class preparing homemade dishes. Students prepared omelettes, made homemade pasta & sauce, enchiladas, and chicken pot pie.

Reflections on the Week

"I did the dishes." -Raine

My favourite part was...

"...making the sauce for the enchiladas." -Celia

"...I got to make foods that I thought I didn't like." -Ethan

"...was making omelettes." "I helped with doing the dishes [and] was careful with the knife." -Jon

"...doing the dishes because I had never washed before. I helped with different parts of the cooking each day." -Sé

"...eating the food we made cause it was delicious."
-Athena

"...making food because I had never cooked a full recipe before in my life." -Reacher

My next step would be to...

"...make a big breakfast for all of my family." -Celia

"...start drying the dishes after my Dad washes them." -Sé

"...do the dishes at home because I never do it at home."
-Ethan



JAMII Esplanade - *The Stories the Wind Carries*

The Stories the Wind Carries is an inter-provincial art project involving Marysville P.S. and the greater Wolfe Island community, Pikangikum First Nation, Wawa/ Michipicoten First Nation, and Toronto.

Led by professional artists, students created a layered portrait of community members as a way of sharing their stories, strengthening relationships and celebrating community. Marysville students selected the following individuals to focus on to share their personal stories; Ken White, Danny Mosier, James Kirkham, Tara Broeders & former student, Phoenix. A special thank you to Isorine Marc, Founder and Executive & Artistic Director of Jamii, Andrew Patterson, Kerryn Graham, Artist Kara Spencer, Scarlett Graham, Jamii student rep, and of course, our keen community members for affording MPS this wonderful learning opportunity.



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