



McLouth Elementary Bull Pup Bulletin

May 14, 2012

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From Mr. Dodge's Desk:

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend Field Day on Friday, May 11. We were excited to make some changes to the event this year, which allowed everyone a chance to participate all day. We look forward to next year's event. Thank you to Mr. Schroeder, the classroom teachers, our parents, and especially the students for making the day fun. I'd also like to express our thanks to the PTO for providing our students with a snack and bottled water following the games. The refreshments were greatly appreciated.

This week, students will have a chance to make donations to the American Cancer Society. As mentioned last week, each classroom will have a bucket to donate their loose change. The grade level that raises the most money will be rewarded with a Popsicle party on Monday, May 21st! Here is the schedule for donations.

- Monday: Pennies
- Tuesday: Nickels
- Wednesday: Dimes
- Thursday: Quarter
- Friday: "Give what ya got" – any amount is appreciated

If you plan on ordering a yearbook, please be sure to turn in your order form by Friday, May 18th. The yearbook is a great way to remember all of the events from the school year. The yearbooks will be delivered this fall. Thank you to Lindsey Felix and the PTO for organizing this memento for our students.

We are extremely excited for our school-wide cookout celebration on Friday, May 18th. Mr. Splichal and I will be cooking hotdogs for the students. If your student wishes to bring his/her own lunch, that is fine too. We will be eating outdoors, "picnic style." So, feel free to send a picnic blanket with your child. Should the weather not allow for us to eat out doors, we will eat in the cafeteria. We've decided not to use a rain date.

Have a great week!



Elementary Award Ceremony

May 22nd 8:45 in the purple gym



Student Run Book Store

May 15th and 16th will be our last book store for the year. There are some great titles for summer time reading! You won't want to miss it! It will be open from 7:45-8:05 AM in the purple gym. For every book you purchase you will receive a free book. This is made possible due to Madison Vaught and her 4-H project. Thank you Madison!

End of Year Bulldog Store/Activity

We are trying something different this year for the Bulldog store/stations. Students will be watching a movie and receiving a treat. Students will be divided into two brackets. The students in the higher bracket will get a movie, popcorn, and pop. The students in the second bracket will receive a movie and popcorn. The movies will be on May 17th. One movie will be in the morning and one in the afternoon.

The cutoff date to turn in AR points was May 11.

Thank you to everyone that has supported their children in reading and helping make the Bulldog Store/Activity a success this year. Your support is greatly appreciated!!

Lost & Found

Don't forget to check it, anything left after the last day of school will be donated to goodwill.

Dress Code

As the weather is warming up, please remember the dress code and have your child wear appropriate clothing to school.



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Crazy Dress Day "Come out of your shell for MPS/ML" at McLouth school

YEP, it's that time again. Crazy Dress Day!!! May 15th is National MPS awareness day. Please show your support for children with MPS disorders and help us raise awareness at McLouth elementary school on **Tuesday May 15th, 2012** by dressing CRAZY!!!! Each class will learn more about MPS disorders and talk to the parents of a McLouth student with MPS IIA (Hunter syndrome). 1st place and 2nd place prizes will be awarded to the craziest dressed students in each class. So... come on kids let's make the 7th year of Crazy Dress day the craziest ever!!!

Attn: TEACHERS!!! Don't be left out of all the fun because there will also be a craziest dress teacher contest for each grade level!!!!!!

Parents: Want to learn more about MPS disorders during Crazy Dress Day? Visit us in the cafeteria at our MPS/ML awareness table during lunch hours on May 15th.

Purple awareness ribbons are free to anyone who wants one.

What is MPS/ML?

MPS (Mucopolysaccharidosis) and ML (Mucopolipidosis) are rare genetic lysosomal storage disorders that limit or prevent the body's ability to produce or use certain enzymes needed for breaking down and recycling dead cells. These disorders cause progressive damage throughout the whole body severely diminishing the quality of life as well as dramatically shortening the life span of those affected. There is **NO** cure for MPS or ML.

On a personal note:

One of the McLouth's students has been diagnosed with MPS IIA (aka Severe Hunters syndrome). Through awareness we can all make a difference in these children's life and hopefully someday we will find a cure.

Please visit the MPS Society's website for more information on MPS and ML disorders: www.mpsociety.org