

MMS Friday Notes

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Good afternoon families,

What a whirlwind of a week! There was a lot happening at MMS, including our wonderful Team Days! This week we had 7th grade Gold, Blue and Aqua all participating in team building activities...I might have "jumped into" the jump rope challenge! There is quite a bit of information today, so please read the message in its entirety.

- MMS experienced a medical shelter in place this week (everyone is fine!) and held a lockdown drill as well. As you know, today we Secured the Building during the morning. Students were amazing and continued on with their day despite the change in plans. We also had our wonderful support staff in the building to assist with any students who might have needed extra support. By lunchtime, the building was back to normal. A huge THANK YOU to the community and parents for always working with us. We appreciate it!
- Please read the [DESSA parent letter](#) regarding the District's plan to pilot the Devereux Student Strengths Assessment (Mini) as a screening tool to better serve our students.
- Purple Team day is Monday 10/24 and Teal Team day is Monday 10/31.
- On Monday, the author Jerry Craft will be here for an assembly for both 6th and 7th grade. We are looking forward to his visit!
- Next week our Student Council is sponsoring a Spirit Week! Students should follow the [dress code](#). The days are as follows:
 - Monday – Dress as your favorite book or movie character
 - Tuesday – Pajama Day
 - Wednesday – Neon Day
 - Thursday – Flashback to the 80s or 90s
 - Friday – School Spirit Day
- We are also participating in Socktober! Did you know that socks are the most needed item in shelters? Students can bring a pair of unused, new socks to donate to the clothing shelter any day next week, October 24-28th. Please help keep the needy warm throughout the cold winter and make a difference! We need your help! We will have a box in the Main office to put the socks inside starting Monday.

- Students may dress up for Halloween this year on Monday 10/31. Please review the [Halloween Guidelines](#).
- Order your 2023 MMS yearbook today. This year you have the opportunity to choose the color of your yearbook: blue or green. Please select the yearbook option of your color preference. <https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/index.cfm/job/4238> Most students have yearbooks ordered for them at MMS. Last year we sold 1000 copies and still had parents requesting to buy extras. We hate having students sad that they are missing out on the last few days of the year. Please consider ordering your student a book through the site, we don't plan on ordering extras this year.
- We are so excited as the Book Fair spirit starts to unravel at school. Books are in the house and the MMS Book Fair duckling mascots are popping up around school corners to sneak a peek on the activities that will kick-off our celebration of literacy at MMS next week. We are also looking forward to the Jerry Craft author visit for the 6th and 7th graders on Monday!

From the MPA:

- **Book Fair Time-** The book fair starts this Tuesday 10/25, so please make sure your child is all set with payment options. Check out our [Book Fair homepage](#) for detailed information about when your child will shop the Book Fair, payments accepted including the Scholastic eWallet.
- **Author Jerry Craft Visit-** All pre-sale books for the book signing have been received. If your child has a pre-owned Jerry Craft book that they would like to get signed, please bring that in (labeled with their name) on Monday 10/24.

Thank you and have a wonderful and restful weekend!

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