

STRATHMORE NEWSLETTER

May 2025

Message from Mrs. Kelly

It is hard to believe that we are in the final stretch of the school year. This season is a busy and exciting time for us, with both academic and enriching activities. Across grade levels, students are engaging in spring assessments, which provide insight into student growth and help to tailor instruction to finish out the year. In addition to traditional classroom learning, students engage in



interactive and hands-on experiences. May brought unique programming to Strathmore, including an *Outrageous Reptiles* assembly for our 2nd grade class, presented by Jenkinson's Aquarium, and the *Bugs on the Go* Program, a program for our Kindergarten students to gain an understanding of the structure, characteristics and basic needs of bugs. Just this week, all students enjoyed a visit from author/illustrator Mr. Mike Ciccotello. Mr. Mike inspired all of the students, reminding everyone that they are already authors.

In addition, field trip season is in full swing. Our first grade students traveled to Allaire Community Farm and Petting Zoo, Kindergarten students visited Longstreet Farm in Holmdel, third grade students explored science and technology at InfoAge Science and History Museum and our Pre-K students learned about shells and marine life at Seven Presidents Park. Rounding out the trips, the 2nd grade class will visit Jenkinson's Aquarium in June.

As we prepare to celebrate our graduating 3rd grade class, we have a number of exciting events planned to honor their achievements and create lasting memories! From the fabulous performance of the 3rd grade show, Strathmore Cinema, to the upcoming 3rd grade Carnival, filled with fun games and laughter, this is a time of joy and celebration. The Laser Light Show is also sure to be a treat. Our 3rd grade students will also receive their very own yearbooks to commemorate their time at Strathmore Elementary School, filled with photos and messages from friends and teachers. The annual clap-out will give our school community a chance to cheer them on as they take a final walk through the halls! We are so proud of our third graders and look forward to making these final weeks together truly unforgettable.





Thank you Dominic, for designing this year's 3rd grade shirt, sponsored by the PTO.

Our 3rd graders wear it proudly.

Strathmore's New School Flag

MRHS Senior, Matthew Wong, approached district leadership with a proposal to design a new school flag for each of the MARSD schools. In the fall, Matthew presented Strathmore students with three unique designs. Students were asked to vote for their favorite. The winning design was turned into a beautiful flag, which was raised for the first time for all of our students and staff to see on May 20th.





Matthew and Mrs. Kelly



Strathmore Flag Designs



Strathmore Students Celebrate the Flag

Important Reminders

Attendance

We would like to remind all families about the importance of regular attendance for your child's success in school. Consistent attendance is essential for building strong academic foundations, as each lesson contributes to your child's learning progress. When children attend school regularly, they stay connected with their classmates, engage in hands-on activities, and participate in discussions that enrich their learning experience.

Registration

Please click <u>here</u> for information about Preschool & Kindergarten Registration for the 2025-2026 school year.

Haga clic <u>aquí</u> para obtener información sobre la inscripción a preescolar y Kindergarten para el año escolar 2025-2026.

The Arts at Strathmore

Art to Remember

This program produces personalized keepsakes of student's unique artwork. These students can be seen showing off their artwork during a gallery walk.







Strathmore Cinema

Under the direction of our Music teacher, Mr. Ebersole, our 3rd grade class performed their concert show, Strathmore Cinema, on May 15th. Students performed songs from some of Hollywood's greatest and most popular films.



Take Your Child to Work Day

Many of our faculty and staff were accompanied by young workers on Take Your Child to Work Day. Family members assisted with learning and fun!















Counselor's Corner

Character Trait Themes for Classroom Lessons & Student of the Month

Monthly classroom lessons are focued on important character traits. Each month we recognize students from each class that demonstrate the qualities of our character trait of that month.



March Recipients -Acceptance

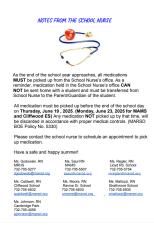


May - Leadership



April Recipients -Friendship

Notes from the School Nurse



Important Information Regarding Medication

As the end of the school year approaches, all medications **MUST** be picked up from the School Nurse's office. As a reminder, medication held in the School Nurse's office **CAN NOT** be sent home with a student and must be transferred from School Nurse to the Parent/Guardian of the student.

All medication must be picked up before the end of the school day on **Thursday, June 19 , 2025**. Any medication **NOT** picked up by that time, will be discarded in accordance with proper medical

controls. (MARSD BOE Policy No. 5330)

Please contact the school nurse at (732) 705-5935 to schedule an appointment to pick up medication (click picture for full details).

PTO News

Get Involved

Check out Strathmore's <u>PTO page</u> on the district website, where you can find information on how to connect. The PTO meets every other month in the Strathmore Library at 7:00 PM.

Upcoming Events

See below for upcoming events/activities sponsored by the Strathmore Elementary School PTO



Prismatic Laser Lights Show - 5/28



Family Art Night - 6/12



Matawan Aberdeen Day at Jersey Shore Blueclaws - 6/22



Special Education Parent Advisory Group (SEPAG)

2024-2025 Officers

President: Loretta Sorensen <u>lorettaminea@yahoo.com</u> Vice President: Irene Prokos-Ferrolho <u>iferrolho@hotmail.com</u> Secretary: Melissa Ulanich <u>melissaulanich@yahoo.com</u> Communications: Julio Lopez <u>rujuliol83@gmail.com</u>

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Click the logo to learn more about MARSD's SEPAG

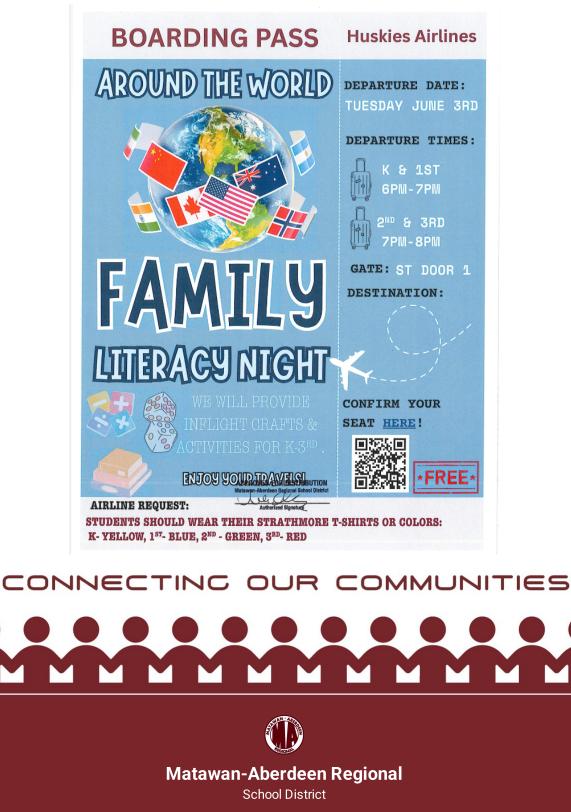
Dates to Keep in Mind

- Friday, May 23: Early Dismissal Day Students and Staff
- Monday, May 26: School Closed
- Thursday, May 29: Fun Day (K-3)
- Thursday, June 5: BoE Meeting @ 6:30 PM
- Tuesday, June 10: Kindergarten Celebrations
- Thursday, June 12: Pre-K Fun Day
- Friday, June 13: Pre-K Stepping Up Ceremony
- Tuesday, June 17: 2nd grade Field Trip
- Wednesday, June 18: Early Dismissal Students and Staff
- Thursday, June 19: LAST DAY Early Dismissal Students and Staff



Strathmore Family Night

Please join us for a night designed to bring students and their families together for interactive activities and hands-on learning to reinforce reading and math skills our students are learning in school. Parents can learn how they can use simple games and everyday activities to support their child's learning at home. (Click the flyer to register)



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