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Important Dates to Remember

February

Food Service

- 24 Choir 8:00-8:30 AM
February birthdays eat lunch with Mrs. Zimmer
- 27 **I can read with my eyes shut day** - Wear a shirt with words on it and bring your favorite Dr. Seuss book to read
- 28 Bus evacuation drills in the morning
Cat in the Hat Day Wear your favorite hat and clothes with stripes to look like the Cat in the Hat

Lunch and Breakfast Menu - [Click here for the menu](#)

Harvest of the Month - February is Root Vegetables - [click here for the flyer](#)

Please [click here](#) to read information regarding our School Food Service Program.

March

- 01 Bulldog Bash 8:50
Wacky Wednesday/bulldog Bash - wear your Meadowbrook t-shirt paired with wacky, mismatched clothing and crazy hair
- 02 Follow a Friday Schedule
KIVA KLUB 7:45-8:30
Green Eggs and Ham Day - Wear green from your head to your toes! Green eggs and ham for hot lunch
District Art Show at Bay Port 6:00-7:00 PM
- 03 3/4 Choir 8:00-8:30 AM
Follow a Thursday Schedule
Favorite Character Friday - dress as your favorite book character and bring in a book to share with your class.
March birthdays eat lunch with Mrs. Zimmer
2 hour **Early Release** K-12 - 1:25 PM for Meadowbrook
- PSA SILENT AUCTION 6:00-8:30 PM**
- 08 4th grade music demo at Lineville 12:30-3:00 PM
- 09 Sustainable Me!, sustainable World! meeting 7:45 AM
- 10 3/4th Grade Choir 8:00 AM
4th grade puberty talks 2:30 PM

2016-2017 Lunch Schedule

[Click here to view the lunch schedule.](#)

Staff Roster for 2016-2017

[Click here for the staff roster - names, phone numbers and email addresses.](#)

2017-2018 At-A-Glance Calendar

[Click here for the 2017-2018 School Year Calendar.](#)

P.S.A. NEWS

To view all the current P.S.A. news/events/promos/dates go to www.meadowbrookpsa.weebly.com

Read Across America Week Feb. 27-March 2, 2017

This year marks the **20th anniversary** of Read Across America. Read Across America is an annual reading motivation and awareness program that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading on March 2, the birthday of the children's author Dr. Seuss. Our school would like to have some fun with Read Across America week as we celebrate Dr. Seuss. Each day is based off of one of his books.

PSA Silent Auction



About the Event

The PSA's biannual Silent Auction is

- Monday, February 27 – **I Can Read With My Eyes Shut Day** Wear a shirt with words on it! Also, bring in your favorite Dr. Seuss book to read with your class.



coming up on **Friday, March 3rd, 2017. It will be held here at Meadowbrook from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.** In addition to the auction, we will also have ice cream from Zesty's provided in the cafeteria for you to enjoy as you bid. Children are more than welcome at this event, but we ask that you supervise them carefully so that none of the auction items get damaged.

This event is a significant source of funds for the PSA which helps to cover the cost of various online subscriptions to help personalize student learning, contributes toward the cost of bussing for field trips, hosting of the end of year carnival, and much, much more. Looking forward to seeing you there!

To see a list of some of the current items and amazing experiences that will be up for bid so far, please visit: <http://meadowbrookpsa.weebly.com/silent-auction.html>

Classroom Themed Baskets

Each class is also collecting donation toward a "themed" basket that will be auctioned off at the event. For a list of each classroom's chosen theme, please visit: <https://goo.gl/rPYEMN>

Donations toward each classroom's basket can be brought in directly to your child's teacher. **Please be sure that all donations are sent in to school by Friday, February 24th** so we have time to assemble the baskets.

How You Can Help

Not only would we like to see you there, but anything that you can contribute to be auctioned off would be a huge help! Perhaps you or someone you know is a small business owner or a direct sales consultant (i.e. Pampered Chef, Mary Kay, LuLaRoe) and can provide an item from your inventory or service such as a massage or photography session. Some of you may be very gifted artistically and could donate your time or talents. Lastly, if you have any special connections and could help secure a special experience for the students such as a ride to school on a fire truck, please let us know.

To sign up to volunteer for "Silent Auction" please click on the button below to view the online sign up sheet.

Sign Up

Let's Talk!

with Mrs. VanAsten and Miss Gonwa, Speech-Language Pathologists

It was a pleasure being able to meet with some of you during Parent/Teacher conferences this month. By attending conferences you show your child that you care about their education and want them to succeed as a learner. On a more personal level, we would like to thank the families of our speech & language students. We know that they would not be able to make as much progress if it weren't for the carry-over efforts of the home-to-school connection.

In February we like to work on conversation skills; turn taking, eye contact, attentive listening, and topic maintenance to name a few. Some of our students created our own version of the popular conversation heart candies. We wrote down some topics that would spark conversation and used these as a starting point for our discussions. Topics included ideas such as "Who is your favorite book character and why?", or "Tell me about your most memorable vacation." When engaging in discussion, be sure to make and maintain eye contact with the person you are speaking with. Take turns speaking (without interrupting!) so that each member of the discussion feels included. By asking and answering questions, you will be showing that you are listening attentively to the other speakers. See if you can maintain the topic of the conversation for a predetermined amount of time (3 minutes? 5 minutes? 10?). These basic

- Tuesday, February 28 – **Cat in the Hat Day** Wear your favorite hat and clothes with stripes to look like the Cat in the Hat!
- Wednesday, March 1 - **Wacky Wednesday Bulldog Bash** Wear your Meadowbrook T-shirt paired with wacky, mis-matched clothing and crazy hair!
- Thursday, March 2 – **Green Eggs and Ham Day** Wear green from your head to your toes! There will also be green eggs and ham for hot lunch.
- Friday, March 3 – **Favorite Character Friday** In honor of Dr. Seuss, dress as your favorite book character! Bring in that book to share with your class. (It doesn't have to be a Dr. Seuss book.)

INTEREST FAIR



Say YES to the April 11, 2017, Meadowbrook Interest Fair! All students in grades kindergarten through grade 4 are welcome to participate! Students can share their excitement on a topic that they are interested in and then have fun learning and sharing their research with others. Entry forms for the fair can be picked up in the office or outside of room 228. Entry forms are due back to Mrs. Maroszek by Friday, March 3, 2017! Sign up soon and join us for some amazing learning opportunities at our Meadowbrook Interest Fair!

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1b9NHzzAiQdGKYCwI6OiiTVm23pQM69secTRgdN5u1Bc/edit>

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1St4UKkd8hIbIV759sU_MLb9A81jxB7i2uS5hLoEoGk/edit
Lyzette Maroszek

Gifted and Talented Specialist Meadowbrook and Howard.

Thank You From Student Council



Student Council would like to thank all the students and families for their support by purchasing glow sticks for the end of 2nd quarter dance. We were able to raise nearly \$900 that will be spent on items that all students at Meadowbrook can use and enjoy. Thanks for helping us "Light Up the

Dance"!

Donations Needed

We are in need of donations of tape for our students to use in the iStation when they are creating projects. We are looking for any type: masking, packing, duct tape or any other kind of tape you can provide. Please send donations to our school library. Thank you!



conversational skills are prerequisites for much of the communicating we do throughout our lives. By providing a good role model for your children, they can build on these skills as they grow.
As always, thank you for being an active participant in your child's learning!

Warm regards,
Mrs. Katie VanAsten
Miss Lindsay Gonwa

Reading Olympics Breakfast

Third and fourth grade students who participated in Reading Olympics recently attended a special celebration breakfast. These students committed to reading and discussing eight chapter books. Book discussions were held weekly culminating in two book challenges. Participants were divided into groups and had to work together to answer questions about the books they had read. They worked very well together to determine the correct answers and showed an incredible amount of enthusiasm throughout the entire program. Way to go! This year's participants were: Lyla Roskom, Madelynn Knight, Hayden Matuszewski, Claire Brunette, Lily Otto, Eliana Anderson, Amaris Martinez, Emelia Erdmann, Anakin Ford-Gustafson, Alannah Duncan-McElroy, Kendall Muraski, Reid Fielder, Lindsey Lotto, Claire Arbogash, Brody Englebret and Laney O'Connell.

Information about the 2017-2018 Reading Olympics will be shared in May. We hope you choose to participate!

Lineville Intermediate School Music Choices



4th Grade Parents: On Wednesday, March 8th, students in 4th grade will visit Lineville

Intermediate School for a Music Class Demonstration. Your child will need to choose a music class for 5th grade. Musicians in **Band, Chorus, and Orchestra** will perform for the 4th graders and discuss the music class options. After March 8th you will be able to register your class choice using an internet link which will be emailed to you. Music class registrations will be due by March 18th.

More information about the music classes is available on the March 8th registration document and is also accessible on music class websites: <http://linevillehssd.weebly.com/music.html>

Health Notes From Nurse Marcia

Our building nurse, Marcia Shefchik has a Nurse Marcia website. [Click here](#) to read general information and items of relevancy.

[Click here](#) for information on head lice.

Cold and flu season is here. Please be aware that Cough drops are considered an over the counter medication. If you send cough drops to school they must be in the original package and an Over the Counter Medication form needs to be filled out. [Click here for the link](#) for the page that includes the form that needs to be filled out is below. Thank you.

Community Corner

To access handouts/flyers for area community events [click here](#). The HSSD Community Page includes a Google Calendar list highlighting community events for families in the villages of Howard & Suamico i.e. scouting, festivals, parades, etc. Visit the Howard - Suamico School District Website for school events i.e. Holiday Concerts, Plays, Musicals, Athletic and Art events using our FREE Mobile App is available for the iPhone, iPad, and Android devices in both the iTunes App Store and also on Google Play.

Important Dates to Remember

PSA Bi-Annual Silent Auction

Friday, March 3

Blizzard Football Game

April 1 @ 7:05 pm - Student tunnel and 3/4 gr choir sings

4th Grade Field Trip

May 8 - all day to Madison (parent(s) welcome to attend)

3/4 Grade Choir Spring Concert

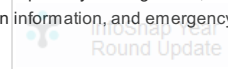
May 16 6:30 - 7:00 pm in the gym

4th Grade Celebration

June 2 - 2:00 pm in the gym (families encouraged to attend)

New Year-Round Update process for parents to update family information online

1. Parent/Guardian will log into the PowerSchool Parent Portal
2. Once in the portal, choose the appropriate student (changes will need to be done for each child listed in the account)
3. Select InfoSnap Year Round Update on the left side under navigation. (This will take a couple seconds to populate the information that is currently in PowerSchool).
4. Once the student information is populated, the parent/guardian is free to change the appropriate information such as primary mailing name, contact#, address, mother/father/guardian information, and emergency contact information.



Open Enrollment

Families that live outside of the district attendance area and want their child to attend Howard-Suamico Schools can apply for Open Enrollment. Open Enrollment applications are available from February 6 – April 28, 2017. For application and additional information, visit the Howard-Suamico Open Enrollment webpage at <http://www.hssd.k12.wi.us/open-enrollment> or contact the Registration Office at registration@hssd.k12.wi.us or call 920-662-8860.

4K Registration for 2017-2018



On our way with 4K. Creative Curriculum makes learning fun. Learn more about The Howard & Suamico 4K program which prepares four-year-olds for school.

District School Events

Thursday, March 2, 6-7 pm - Visual Art Show - Come join the students from the Howard-Suamico Schools as they showcase student art from all grades K-12. Live music performed by the High School Chamber Ensemble. Come participate in a collaborative art project and purchase student pottery as part of the Empty Bowls Project to benefit the Giving Tree Pantry. Free Admission. Location is the BayPort Commons.

March 9-11: Bay View Musical "Grease" performances: March 9 & 10 at 7 p.m. in Bay View Auditorium. The Grease Soda Shop- March 11 at 3- 5:30pm Burgers, brats, hot dogs, grilled cheese, build your own sundae bar, beverage \$7.00 per person, \$5.00 for musical students and senior citizens (65+) ages 4 and younger are free. February 15 - Tickets on sale for Musical at Seat Yourself <http://www.seatyourself.biz> or at the school.

- **Saturday, April 8, NEW Donate Life Walk** Registration at 8 a.m., walk starts 9 a.m. at Bay View Middle School. Registration is now open on our website: <http://newdonatelifewalk.weebly.com>.
- **Thursday, April 20- The Giving Tree 9th Annual Taste of the Villages and Auction** benefiting the Howard-Suamico School District Giving Tree Pantry! . More information at this link [Taste of the Villages Auction](#).
- **Howard-Suamico Community Pool**
Swim Lessons - The Howard-Suamico Community Pool will be offering the American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim Program this Spring 2017. All swim lessons are taught by qualified staff certified in the American Red Cross Lifeguard Training, Water Safety Instruction, CPR for the Professional Rescuers and First Aid. Lessons are offered for Levels Pre-1 to 4. Adult Lessons will be offered upon request. The pool is located in the Lineville Intermediate School.

Howard-Suamico 4K program which prepares four-year-olds for school success at <http://www.hssd.k12.wi.us/4k-program>. 4K Registration is available online starting Wednesday, February 1 and walk-in verifications on that day (starting at 8am-4pm) at the Howard - Suamico School District Office at 2706 Lineville Road. Children eligible for 4K must be four years of age on or before September 1, 2017 and you must complete the registration and verification process. Please contact Jennifer Trudell, 4K Coordinator to learn more about 4K at (920) 662-7941 jenntrud@hssd.k12.wi.us.

Meadowbrook Family Swim Night

Friday, March 10, 2017 at 6:00-8:00 pm is the Meadowbrook Family Swim Night. Cost is \$7.00 per



family. [Click here for the flyer.](#)
