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### MARYSVILLE NEWSLETTER

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

**Dear Marysville Community,** 

Even at the end of the strangest academic year that I have ever experienced, I am filled with gratitude for this community. I'm grateful for the strength and resilience of the staff, students and families that have continued to come together in many positive ways. Our staff has been uplifted by the thoughtful messages of appreciation shared individually and in the beautiful family video. Our school partnership with Impact Northwest, led by the amazing Audrey Rozell, has become even stronger, with the organization of a successful food drive and many resource deliveries. Distance didn't limit the annual Marysville Gives Back Program. Classrooms planned and implemented a variety of activities to spread positive messages, support each other and give hope in the midst of great challenges. Many of these messages and gifts are already being seen around the community and more will be posted at the school, throughout the summer. Students and teachers have worked hard to maintain learning in homebased settings and while it is all very different, it has given us opportunity for new lessons. The Clever apps will be available all summer and students are encouraged to use their devices to keep working and learning. Families will receive a modified end of the year academic report from the teachers. Our hope is to include next year's class placement along with this report. We look forward to growing and learning together again next year. To our 8th grade students and others moving on, we will miss you greatly and wish you all the best. I hope for safety and joy for everyone during our summer break. As always, I love to hear from anyone in the community and this year especially would welcome your feedback on the experience of this spring. Please reach out to me with your thoughts of what worked and what didn't. The reflection at the end of a school year, allows us to focus on continuous improvement, to celebrate and elevate.

Warmly,

Cathy Murray, Marysville Principal (971) 413-1090

# FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Hello Marysville Families, I cannot believe it is June and we are wrapping up our year like we are! I am so very appreciative and grateful for all of you and the time I do get to spend with your student! We are not wrapping up in the health room like we usually do this year, so I want you to reach out to me if you have any questions or needs. Heidi Linn, Rn (my supervisor) is also going to be available for questions or concerns during this time. We have reached out to get medications to you last month but did not get much response. IF you still have medications in the office, please let me know if you need them as soon as you can! I will be able to set up one more time to come and get the medication from the school. If you do not want to come pick it up, we will be holding onto the medication until the fall, and at that time you can check it out and bring in refills or renewals. We are working on our social distancing responsibilities and want you to feel safe in your choices, so please do not feel you have to pick these items up. We will secure them until the fall for your child. The most important thing is to be safe and healthy. I wish you all a wonderful summer and I look forward to seeing all the smiling faces returning back to Marysville soon! Vicky and Heidi

Vicky G. email: vgenge@mesd.k12.or.us Heidi L. cell for text o<u>r calls: 503-374-5428</u>

#### COMMUNITY LETTER ON ANTI-RACISM

Dear Marysville Community, This last week horrific events have rocked our nation and our communities beginning with the weaponization of white privilege by Amy Cooper and followed by the murder of George Floyd by white police officers. While these events are front and center for us as a nation right now, they are just the latest in a centuries old system rooted in racial injustice and white supremacy. As white, anti-racist allies in positions of leadership - and as mothers, sisters, daughters and as human beings, we feel compelled to speak out against racism and to play an active role in dismantling it from within our educational system. We believe we have a responsibility to:

- 1. Listen to and believe people of color when they share their lived experience.
- 2. Examine where systems of oppression are embedded into our practices and interrupt them.
- 3. Incorporate restorative practices into our everyday way of being.
- 4. Create the opportunities for students to learn how to be anti-racist leaders by developing agency and advocacy skills to challenge injustice and change oppressive systems in their communities.

As your school administration at Marysville, we are committed to anti-racist action, engaging our Mindfulness practices to develop an anti-racist mindset that requires reflection on the role of whiteness in racial injustice, highlights the value and humanity of Black people and provides presence in open dialogue. Beginning in the fall we will be incorporating an anti-racist curriculum in all grade levels with the intention of supporting our students and staff as they learn to talk about race beginning in kindergarten.

We would like to acknowledge the courage, resiliency, and strength of the Black community. We are on this journey with you and are honored to be doing this work beside you. We acknowledge that this is just a start, that we have a lot of listening to do, and that as white allies we will constantly be evolving and learning in this process. In the days to come we will be compiling a list of resources on our website for families who wish to deepen their learning around anti-racist practices.

With Respect,
Cathy Murray, Principal Marysville K-8
Serene Bertram, Assistant Principal Marysville K-8

### KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

If you have a child who will be 5 years old by September 1, please register for kindergarten! Visit the PPS website for instructions and more information: <a href="mailto:pps.net/kinderenroll">pps.net/kinderenroll</a>. Online registration is the easiest option and the process takes 20-30 minutes. For families unable to register online, paper registration packets are now available at the curriculum tables at all 15 meal sites, <a href="https://www.pps.net/Domain/59">https://www.pps.net/Domain/59</a>.

Please contact Melinda Leong, our School Secretary, at mleong@pps.net if you have any questions.

### **SUPPLY LISTS**

Click on the links below to see each grade level's supply list for the 2020-2021 school year.

<u>Kindergarten</u>

1st Grade

2nd Grade

**3rd Grade** 

4th Grade

5th Grade

Middle School



Marysville families: If you or another Marysville family in the community is struggling to cover their utility bills, please contact me at: arozell@impactnw.org or text me at 503-544-3380. I have a limited amount of funds that need to be spent this month and I would like to help those who need the extra support right now.

### STUDENT BELONGING PICKUP

Collecting Items from School - Tuesday June 16th:
We will provide an opportunity for families with students that are not returning in the fall and for students that have important Items they need now, to come and pick-up any student items that were left in desks or lockers. Individual student Items not picked up now, will be kept at school, separate and safe until the fall. Do not feel like you must come to get stuff, only come if you want things before the fall.

## STUDENT ITEMS COLLECTION TIMES:

#### Tuesday June 16th:

- 9:30-10:30 Student Last names A-C
- 10:30-11:30 Student Last names D-G
- 11:30-12:30 Student Last names H-L
- 1:15-2:15 Student Last names M-R
- 2:15-3:15 Student Last names S-Z
- Since students and parents cannot enter the building, teachers are collecting belongings from lockers, desks and placing them in bags, labeled with student names
- All pick ups and drop offs will be outside of the school building
- Please wear a mask if you have one
- Please observe 6 ft. distancing and limit the number of people in your group.
- At your scheduled time students will be directed to a table and asked for their name. A runner will enter the building and retrieve the bag with the locker's contents.
- Please keep in mind that while we will do our best to keep items from becoming contaminated, any items
  transported by others should not be considered sanitized, even if the person was wearing gloves. Please
  assume that any items you are taking home may have been handled by someone, and be sure to sanitize
  them and wash your hands.
- There will also be tables for dropping off textbooks and library books.
- Families that borrowed Chromebooks for distance learning can keep the Chromebooks over the summer.
   Families do not need to return Chromebooks this spring. When we return to instruction in the fall, the district will provide updated information for families with borrowed Chromebooks

### MINDFUL MARYSVILLE

Transition to Summer!

Typically the transition from the structure of school to the long days of summer can be a big adjustment. This year we've already had our fair share of adjustments. The transition to summer is one more to plan for. Some of you may have noticed summer vibes already creeping into your daily schedules. When school takes place at home and the weather warms up, that is bound to happen! The absence of school can be exciting for some but all that free time can be difficult for others. Creating a routine can help with this transition by keeping a little structure in the day. If you had a "home school" routine, consider making adjustments to it. If you didn't have a routine, consider making one for summer. Make a list of all the things kids can/should do first thing in the morning, like brush their teeth, make their bed, eat breakfast, etc. Brainstorm with kids ways to spend time during the days, after they've completed their to-dos. Video games and TV may be their go-to so they may need your help to come up with other things they can do. Try to set limits on technology this summer.

Mindfulness in the Summertime.

Looking for ways to continue your mindfulness practice and strengthen your well-being this summer? <u>Check out the suggestions here.</u> Can you think of other ways to be mindful? Write down all the ways you practice mindfulness over the summer and let us know next year!

Morrison Center Therapy.

Each year we have a wonderful therapist from The Morrison Center come to Marysville to work with some of our students. For more information on school-based therapy for your child, click <a href="here">here</a>. If interested, please email me and I'll connect with you before the school year starts. She fills up quickly! If you are interested in finding a therapist before school starts back up or if you don't have OHP, connect with your child's primary care physician or their health insurance provider.

Sara Fuller, Marysville School Counselor sfuller1@pps.net

## FROM THE LIBRARY

The Multnomah County Library Summer Reading Program is ON!! You can start registering online on June 1st. Here is the link for more information:

https://multcolib.org/summer-reading

The 2020-2021 OBOB booklists are also ready. You can find information about OBOB (Oregon Battle of the Books) on our Marysville Library website here: <a href="https://www.pps.net/Page/9973">https://www.pps.net/Page/9973</a>

Marysville will be hosting a virtual Scholastic Book Fair in the hopes of bringing more access to books until libraries reopen and to help raise funds for our own school library. Please make sure you are shopping through the Marysville book fair website in order for our school to benefit:

https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/homepage.do?
method=homepage&url=marysvilleelementaryschool4



### FAMILY CLUB

Marysville families are a strong community. Now more than ever, we encourage you to join our online groups to share thoughts and resources as we navigate this uncertain time. Please email <a href="mailto:marysvillefamilyclub@gmail.com">marysvillefamilyclub@gmail.com</a> to request being added to the Family Club email group. On facebook, join our Facebook group called <a href="Marysville School">Marysville School</a> <a href="Marysville School">Community Group</a>. Family Club has leadership positions available for next year for President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Elections will be held when school is back in session. Please let us know if you are interested in running.