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Date: June 26, 2018

Parent Newsletter - Principal's Message



Calenda

August 17 - School Open House from 1:30pm - 3:30pm

August 20 - School resumes for 1st-6th

August 27 - School resumes for Kindergarten

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Dear Parents,

We hope your summer vacation is off to a great start, full of fun activities for you and your family. Summer is a great time to rest, relax, and enjoy all the amazing activities available our area provides. However, according to the National Summer Learning Association, many children experience a loss of learning during the summer, and the effects can be felt when school starts. We thought we would pass along a few ideas and tips to help your child continue learning throughout the summer months. When your child continues to learn throughout the summer, they are better prepared when school resumes in August. These tips are sure to help keep your child's mind active and engaged in learning activities throughout the summer:

- **1. Read as much as possible.** Encourage your child to read alone, with a partner, or even read as a family to help children gain precious background knowledge to draw from, increase fluency, and improve phonemic awareness.
- **2. Encourage creative construction.** Provide children with opportunities and materials to challenge them to innovate and invent.

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- **3. Turn math practice into games.** Use sidewalk chalk to create fun games for the children to learn and play with math facts.
- **4. Let it grow.** A lot of learning can take place in the backyard! Nature is packed with learning possibilities and planning, planting and harvesting a vegetable garden will boost math and science skills.
- **5. Family game nights.** Choose games that require children to use strategy and think ahead, as well as games that involve reading, writing, or counting.

We sincerely appreciate the active role you take in your child's education. We hope the summer months ahead can be full of fun and adventure, while also being educational and impactful at the same time. Please pay close attention to our other announcements listed below.

Sincerely,

Mr. Shirley, Principal

School Announcements:

Summer Office Hours-- Our office will be open in July to accommodate new school registrations or other needs you may have. Our new lead secretary, Sara Millward, will be happy to assist you. The dates and times will be:

*Thursday, July 12-- 9am - 11am

*Tuesday, July 17-- 9am - 11am

*Monday, July 23-- 9am - 11am

Regular office hours of 8am - 4pm will resume Wednesday, August 1.

School starting dates-- The first day of school for 1st-6th Grade will be Monday, August 20. The first day of Kindergarten will be Monday, August 27.

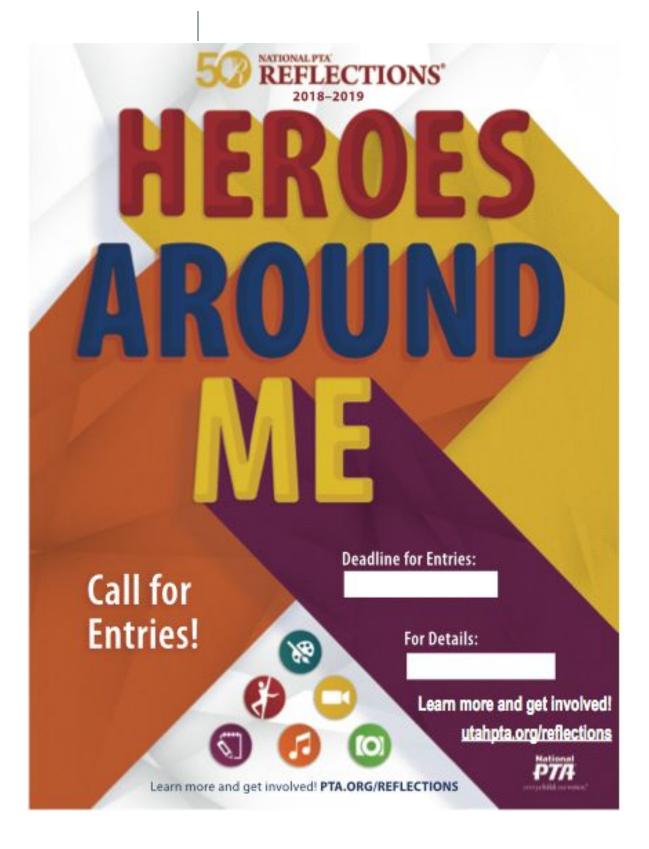
PTA At a Glance:

Hello Mt. Mahogany students and parents!

We are hoping that everyone is having a great summer so far. Just wanted to send out this reminder about Reflections for the 2018-2019 school year. The theme is the Heroes Around Me. We hope that you can start thinking of ideas now and we can add even more entries to the amazing ones we have each year. Thanks!

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Remember to save your Boxtops this summer to help our school!