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* DECEMBER 2017 * 25–31 Christmas Vacation - NO SCHOOL

* JANUARY 2018 *

- I-5 Christmas Vacation NO SCHOOL 8 - School Improvement Day - NO SCHOOL for students
- **q** Students return to class
- IO Chess Club 2:30 pm
- II Geography Bee I:00 pm
- II Student Council Meeting 2:35 pm
- 12 Popcorn Friday
- 12 Brown PTO Bingo Night 6 pm
- 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day -NO SCHOOL

16-30 Winter MAP Testing

- 17 Brown Spelling Bee 1:00 pm
- 17 Chess Club 2:30 pm
- 29 PTO Meeting 7 pm
- 31 Chess Club 2:30 pm
- 31 Morton 709 District Spelling Bee [©] Bertha Frank 3:30 pm

* FEBRUARY 2018 *

- I Student Council 2:35
- 2 Popcorn Friday
- 6 Paw Pride Day
- 6 Erin's Law Parent Informational Meeting 5:30-6:15 pm
- 7 Chess Club 2:30
- **9** 3rd Quarter Mid-Term
- 12-16 PTO Book Fair
- H Classroom Valentines Parties
- H Chess Club 2:30
- **I5** Open House 6-7:30 pm

19 - President's Day - NO SCHOOL

- 20-21 Preschool Screening 8am 4pm District Office
- 23 Vision and Hearing Screenings
- 26 PTO Meeting 7 pm



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Word of the Month-RESPECT -a feeling of deep admiration for someone or something elicited by their abilities, qualities, or achievements

GAMEBALL RUN



Gameball Run is an event to raise money & awareness for the Children's Hospital of Illinois

- · Gameball Kick-Off Wednesday, January 17th Leffie Brown Miracle Family Assembly @ 8:05 am
- · Gameball Run Thursday, February 15th
- · Basketball Game Friday, February 16th

Students will have the opportunity to participate in Hoops for the Hospital as well as purchase Gameball Run t-shirts. Watch for more information to come home in January

The theme this year is Star Wars.

Winter Break is a great time to snuggle up and read a good book!



December 25th -January 5th is Christmas Vacation students & staff do not attend

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Monday, January 8th is an *In-Service Day* students do not attend school resumes January 9th

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& is looking forward to a Happy New Yearl

AMK Lucy B. Nicholas C. Johnny H. Kellan W. <u>PMK</u> Ebben B. Colton M. <u>1M</u> Abbott B. (2) Khloe B. Brody B. Amelia D. Abby G. (2) Hadley L. Brody M. (2) Quinn T. Logan W.	<u>1S</u> DJ B. Brooke C. (2) AJ F. (2) Luke H. Alayna J. (2) Liam K. (3) Wes K. (2) Avery L. Emmy M. Kenzie P. (2) Elizabeth P. Paris P. Cole R. Lily S. Caden S. Ellie S. (2) Isla T. (2) <u>2B</u> Grayson B. Mallory C. Isaiah H. Joelle H. Abram M. Stella M. Gage P. Zoe S. Alea W.	<u>2M</u> Mrs. Martin's Class Lucas C. Autumn D. Kyra F. Stella K. Henry K. Charlie P. Mallory Z. (2) <u>3D</u> Riley B. Claire C. <u>3K</u> Taytum B. Paislee P. <u>4B</u> Allison A. (2) Sam F. Julia P. (2) Tristan S. Nate S. Brody T. North T.	Tyler H. Porter K. Caitlin M. Reese M. Gabe M. Jack N. Maybeline S. Ryan S. Bennett S. Mason T. Zach W. Bailey W. <u>5F</u> Charles K. Hannah N. AJ S. <u>5G</u> Hudson B. (2) Landon B. Katie B. Phillip C. Joey D. Sophie F. Raylynn H. Brooklynn L. Rya M. Mahi P. Joshua S.	ABAY DRIDE <u>6S</u> Kamden A. Sam H. <u>6W</u> Evan B. (2) Rylie D. Elisabeth G. Addi G. Levi H. Gwen K. Eli L. Elliott K. Isaac O. (2) Charlie P. Merle S. (2) Tanner S. Halle S. Nick S. Kate W. Kyle Z.
Mom's in Prayer will be meeting Thursday, January 11th from 9-10 a.m. at Candice Klopfenstein's home, 337 Wolf Crossing. Children are welcome. Contact Sheila Stephens with questions at shestephens@yahoo.com		Ryan G. POPCORN FRIDAY ~ January 12th ~ Send a quarter with your student to buy a bag of popcorn.		Follow me on Twitter @WaterfieldFaith or Lettie Brown PTO on Facebook

Notes from Nurse Annette

With our cold and flu season upon us, it is good to review some healthy habits for our Morton students!

If your child has vomited, has a fever of over 100' or has an illness that you feel may be serious or contagious, please keep him/her home until fever or illness free for 24 hours. This includes coughing, diarrhea and sore throats. If your child has been diagnosed with strep throat or conjunctivitis (pink eye), s/he needs to be on the prescribed antibiotic medication for a full 24 hours before returning to school.

Remember that teaching your child good hand hygiene is the BEST way to prevent the spread of germs! It is also not too late to get flu shots too! This will help with the strains of influenza that the CDC feels will be most prominent this flu season.

Lice continues to be an issue in schools across the country. It is a very common problem, especially for kids. Lice are contagious, annoying and sometimes tough to get rid of. While they are frustrating to deal with, lice aren't dangerous. They don't spread disease, although their bites can make a child's scalp itchy and irritated, and scratching can lead to infection. It's best to treat head lice quickly once they are found because they can spread easily from person to person.

If a child is found to have lice at school, the parent will be contacted. A child may return to school after the administration of a proper lice treatment. If a child is found to have lice at home, we ask that parents please let us know so that we can treat the classroom areas (carpet, chairs, etc.) as well.

Morton 709 policy is that we will notify parents of a child found to be with lice; other students' parents will not be contacted. We encourage you to make lice checks a regular part of home hygiene as you care for your children.

A good reference for information and tips regarding care for your child's health is <u>kidshealth.org</u>. I am also glad to be an additional resource to assist our families in the Morton 709 school district. Have a healthy winter!

> Nurse Annette Kelso <u>lincoln.nurse@mcusd709.org</u>



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