



*“Together, We Are Better”*

# THE MANATEE MESSENGER

McMullen Booth Elementary Newsletter  
November 2nd, 2007



**Kathy Wickett, Principal**

**Sherry Aemisegger, Asst. Principal**

## Principal's Corner

The year is just flying by. We recently finished our second Common Assessment cycle. Teachers will be sharing that information with you. I have had the opportunity to attend many of the “end-of-the-unit” celebrations in classrooms this month. I have been thrilled with the level of understanding our students have shown across the curriculum!

A Picnic in October by Eve Bunting and A Rainbow of Friends by P.K. Hallinan were added to the Book of the Month collection in each classroom. I hope you will ask your child about these books. A special thank you to the volunteers who prepare the Book of the Month bags for classroom delivery each month.



I want to congratulate several staff members who have been recognized for their achievements. **Sherry Aemisegger** was selected as the Outstanding Assistant Principal for the State of Florida. **Beverly Butler** was nominated as an Outstanding Educator. **Barbara Hajko** was nominated as an Outstanding Support Employee. **Valerie Brissette** was honored at a breakfast for receiving her Certificate of Distinction II. Congratulations to these outstanding staff members. MBES is proud to have them working with our students and families.

Enjoy the next few weeks leading up to Thanksgiving, when we will all get to enjoy having some time off with our families.



~ Kathy Wickett, Principal



## GIFT IDEA

If you have not yet purchased a school t-shirt for your child, it would be a perfect holiday gift! All sizes are available for purchase at \$8 each. Order forms are available in the front office.

## Early Dismissal Day



**Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>**, will be an Early Dismissal Day for students. Dismissal will be two hours earlier at 11:40 AM. Please be sure that your child knows what they are to do after school on that day. Even though it is an early dismissal, a limited lunch will still be served on that day.

## Holiday Canned Food Drive



Student Council is sponsoring our annual Holiday Canned Food Drive. We will be collecting boxed and canned food items from **November 26<sup>th</sup> to December 13<sup>th</sup>**. The donated food will be picked up by the Salvation Army to assist families in our community. Thank you for your support.



## CLOTHES NEEDED!

Our school clinic has a supply of clothes that is used for “emergencies” and that supply is very low with girls’ underwear and shorts and boys’ shorts! Since we know that “accidents” of all kinds can happen, we ask that if your child borrows clothes from the clinic that the clothes are returned washed and ready for someone else! Thank you!

## LABEL IT OR LOSE IT!

Now that cooler weather has finally arrived, please label all coats, jackets, sweaters and sweatshirts with your child’s **LAST** name. Thank you!

# Community Happenings

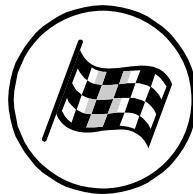
The following fliers are located in the school office and you are welcome to stop by and pick up any papers that interest you.

\*"Christmas Under the Oaks" Arts & Crafts Show sponsored by Clearwater Jr. Woman's Club, Sunday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> 9 am- 4 pm, Coachman Park, Clearwater, \$2 donation.

\*Yoga For Kids, ages 7-11, Wednesdays, 4:00-4:45 pm, \$45 for 4 week session, Morton Plant Mease Village in Palm Harbor, for more information call 786-7951.

The school is neither endorsing nor sponsoring the events nor approving or endorsing the views of the organization sponsoring the activity.

## FAMILY & COMMUNITY RELATIONS



### RACE INTO ACTION ...VOLUNTEER!!

The *Great American Teach In* is almost here! The day will be filled with presentations covering a wide range of topics. It promises to be a fun and informative event! If you are registered to speak at Teach In on **Wednesday, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>**, your schedule will be sent home with your child on **Monday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>**. **If you do not receive yours, please call me at the school office immediately.**

We are still in need of a few volunteers to help with our Kindergarten cake decorating session on Teach In day. This activity will be held in the afternoon in each classroom and is supported by a donation from Publix Supermarket. Please let me know if you can help out with this hands-on activity.

If you signed up to help with other activities on Teach In day, I will be contacting you shortly. If you didn't sign up but are available to help on the 14<sup>th</sup>, please call me. All help is greatly appreciated!

Our thanks to **Sharon Kraye** for organizing our Recreational Reading program again this year. Your child will earn "Book Bucks" for reading and will get to spend them at the Manatee Marketplace which will be held on **Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>** and **Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>**.

We are desperately in need of volunteers to help at the Marketplace from 11am – 1pm. If you can help support this fun program, please give me a call or sign up in the office. None of these activities are possible without the support of our wonderful volunteers. Thank you for sharing your time with our school and students.

**Barbara Hajko,**  
Family & Community Liaison



## Homework Make-Up Policy

When a student is absent from school, he/she will be given as many days as he/she was absent to complete the class work and/or homework that the teacher has assigned. Requests for homework should allow teachers **24 hours notice** to collect the work and send it to the office for pick up. Thank you.

## Adopt-A-Class Update

On behalf of all the children, teachers, and staff at McMullen Booth, we wish to sincerely thank our new **Adopt-A-Class Partners in Education!**

**Doreen Duttry**  
**Paula Smith**  
**Sandra Brooks**  
**Marilyn Young**  
Ciaravino Family/Hitting Academy

Again, **thanks very much!** Below is a list of classes/programs that could still use help finding adopters. Please stop by the office for a membership form or call 669-1800.

**Bonnie Bender – VE Resource**  
**Deborah Browning – Speech Cafeteria**  
**Connie Glasgow – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade**  
**Cynthia Dennis – Speech Clinic**  
**Stacey Peters – Behavior Specialist**  
**Plant Operations**  
**Donna Unger – Kindergarten**  
**Linda McKeithen – Occupational Therapy**  
**Jessica Rivers – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**  
**Penny Taub – VE Resource**

## PTA Reflections Contest

Please refer to the separate flyer that explains the contest. Entry packets are available on the website: [www.floridapta.org/Reflections](http://www.floridapta.org/Reflections) If you have any questions please contact **Kathy Davidson**, [cropngator@yahoo.com](mailto:cropngator@yahoo.com) or **Sandra Brooks**, [sasbrooks@hotmail.com](mailto:sasbrooks@hotmail.com) The deadline for Reflections entries is **December 7<sup>th</sup> by 1:30 pm.**

# Celebrate your talents

Do you **express** your creativity through dance, music, story, or poetry?  
Do you **dream** of having your drawings displayed in a special exhibit?  
Do you **enjoy** taking photographs or videotaping your friends?

## Participate in PTA's Reflections Program.

Join thousands of other students as they create entries based on the 2007-2008 theme, "I Can Make a Difference by..."

Think about the theme. Then select a category:  
❖ Film/Video Production ❖ Dance Choreography  
❖ Musical Composition ❖ Photography  
❖ Visual Arts ❖ Literature

Put on your dancing shoes, grab a camera, or pick up a pen or paintbrush and create! It'll be fun!

Check out what other kids did last year.  
Visit the Reflections Program gallery online  
at [www.pta.org](http://www.pta.org).

**For More Information Log On To**  
<http://www.mbes.com/pta/reflections.htm>  
**DEADLINE: December 7th, 2007 1:30pm**



**GOOD MORNING!**

**McMullen's Cafe**



Week of 11/5 - 11/9

- 11/5 Honey Bun  
Cereal  
Oatmeal
- 11/6 Ham & Egg on Muffin  
Cereal  
Grits
- 11/7 Cheese Grits & Sausage  
Cereal  
Oatmeal
- 11/8 Pancakes  
Cereal  
Breakfast Bar
- 11/9 French Toast  
Cereal

Week of 11/12 - 11/16

- 11/12 Egg Patty / Sausage  
Cereal  
Oatmeal
- 11/13 Healthy Choice  
Cinnamon Bake  
Cereal  
Grits
- 11/14 Max Stick  
Cereal  
Oatmeal
- 11/15 Waffles  
Cereal  
Blueberry Loaf
- 11/16 Yogurt  
Cereal  
Cinnamon Biscuit

Week of 11/5 - 11/9

- 11/5
  - #1 Chicken Patty on Bun
  - #2 Beef Dippers
  - #3 Yogurt Parfait
  - #4 Chicken Caesar Salad
  - #5 Ham & Cheese Sandwich
- 11/6
  - #1 Breaded Shrimp
  - #2 Grilled Cheese
  - #3 None
  - #4 Chicken BLT Salad
  - #5 Bologna Sandwich
- 11/7 **EARLY RELEASE DAY**
  - #1 Hamburger
  - #2 P B & J Sandwich
- 11/8
  - #1 Baked Chicken
  - #2 Spaghetti
  - #3 None
  - #4 Farmer's Salad
  - #5 Salami Sandwich
- 11/9
  - #1 Pepperoni Pizza
  - #2 Fish Sandwich
  - #3 Cheese Pizza
  - #4 Shrimp Salad
  - #5 P B & J Sandwich

Week of 11/12 - 11/16

- 11/12
  - #1 Chicken Nuggets
  - #2 Lasagna Roll Up
  - #3 None
  - #4 Chicken Caesar Salad
  - #5 Ham & Cheese Sandwich
- 11/13
  - #1 Meatball Sub
  - #2 Tortilla Chips w/ Nacho Cheese
  - #3 None
  - #4 Chicken BLT Salad
  - #5 Bologna & Cheese Sandwich
- 11/14
  - #1 Meatloaf
  - #2 Hotdog
  - #3 None
  - #4 Farmer's Salad
  - #5 Turkey Sandwich
- 11/15
  - #1 Turkey Supreme
  - #2 None
  - #3 Macaroni & Cheese
  - #4 Mandarin Chicken Salad
  - #5 Salami & Cheese Sandwich
- 11/16
  - #1 Pepperoni Pizza
  - #2 Fish Sandwich
  - #3 Cheese Pizza
  - #4 Shrimp Salad
  - #5 P B & J Sandwich

**NOV-JAN Dates To Remember**

- Nov. 7 Early Dismissal Day, Dismissal at 11:40 am
- Nov. 14 Great American Teach In
- Nov. 19-23 Thanksgiving Holiday, No School
- Nov. 26 – Dec. 13 Canned Food Drive
- Nov. 29 Market Day Pickup, 2-3:30 pm, Cafeteria
- Nov. 29 PTA General Meeting, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Musical Presentation, 7pm
- Nov. 30 Report Cards Distributed for grades 1 – 5
- Dec. 7 Reflections Entry Deadline, 1:30 pm
- Dec. 24 – Jan. 4 Winter Holidays – No School
- Jan. 7, 2008 Classes Resume

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**All Menus Subject to Change**



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