



# Meridian Elementary School

## Principal Newsletter

February 16, 2024

*" Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around."*

Be Respectful!  
Be Responsible!  
Be Safe!  
Be Kind!  
That's the Meridian Hawk Way!

### PreK & Kindergarten Screenings

Meridian School District will hold preschool screenings for the 2024-2025 school year on Thurs. March 14<sup>th</sup> and Fri. March 15<sup>th</sup> at the Blue Mound Community Center. You must live in the Meridian district and have a child who will be 3 years of age by Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. You may call to set up an appointment starting Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> by calling 692-2535, ext 244.

Kindergarten screenings/registration will be held on Thurs. March 14<sup>th</sup> at MES. Students who have been screened for PreK or are currently in our program do not need to be re-screened. You may set up an appointment by calling the office beginning Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>. 217-692-2535

### Dates to Remember...

Feb. 28 – Yearbook orders due  
March 4-8 – Scholastic Book Fair  
March 8 – 11:30 dismissal  
March 13 – report cards

### Students of the Month

Congratulations to our February Students of the month. These students were nominated by their teacher for being kind, respectful, responsible, and safe.

Kindergarten: Rennlee Babb, Ava Harper, Phoebe Burleson, Elizabeth Wiseman  
1st: Carter Perry, Beckett Grant, Amelia LeVault, Alayna Harper  
2nd: Fallon Hamilton, Lillian Whitmire, Erabella Knutt, Jack Burgess  
3rd: Raegan Head, Finnlee Babb, Olivia Gillum, Paisley Hamilton  
4th: Keegan Moretti, Elijah Younker, Gryphon Dudley  
5<sup>th</sup>: Scarlett Grider, Brayden Moretti, Max Moyer

### Scholastic Book Fair – March 4-8

Students will preview the Book Fair Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> with their classmates. The Book Fair will be open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings from 8:00-10:30 for shopping. Students may bring money or their EWallet any of these days to shop at the Book Fair. We will also have additional shopping hours Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00pm and Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-6:00pm. A \$5 pizza dinner will be available for purchase on Tuesday night from 5-6:30 pm.

### PTO Information

Valentines Giving Tree – Trees with hearts that contain teacher needed supplies are on display at the school. If you would like to help and donate a supply, have your child grab a heart, purchase the item, and return it to the teacher. PTO meeting – March 20<sup>th</sup> 6pm MES Cafeteria

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