



Shorewood Hills Elementary Shark Talk

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

The new year is just around the corner!

There are several important dates that are coming up. The **Poetry Cafe** on **February 15th** is a chance for students to write and perform poetry. All languages and styles of poetry welcome.

Also, our **Family Showcase** will take place on **February 27th**. The Family Showcase is a time for our students to show off their creative and academic successes, and their hard work in classrooms and Unified Arts!

Report cards will go home beginning of February. As usual, classroom teachers will compile and analyze student-work and assessment results to prepare your child's first report card of the school year. They will carefully consider the performance and growth of each student to give you a thoughtful and accurate picture of your child's learning.

The staff and I wish you a happy holidays. Take the time to relax and dedicate yourself to the people and causes that mean most to you. See you in 2018!

Your Principal,

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Congratulations Geo Bee Winners

Congratulations to Benni Kuenzie, winner of this year's Geo Bee, and Anna Siebers, our runner up! All the students who participated did a great job! Kids and adults in the audience were such great allies to the participants. Thank you!



How can you find out if schools are closed?

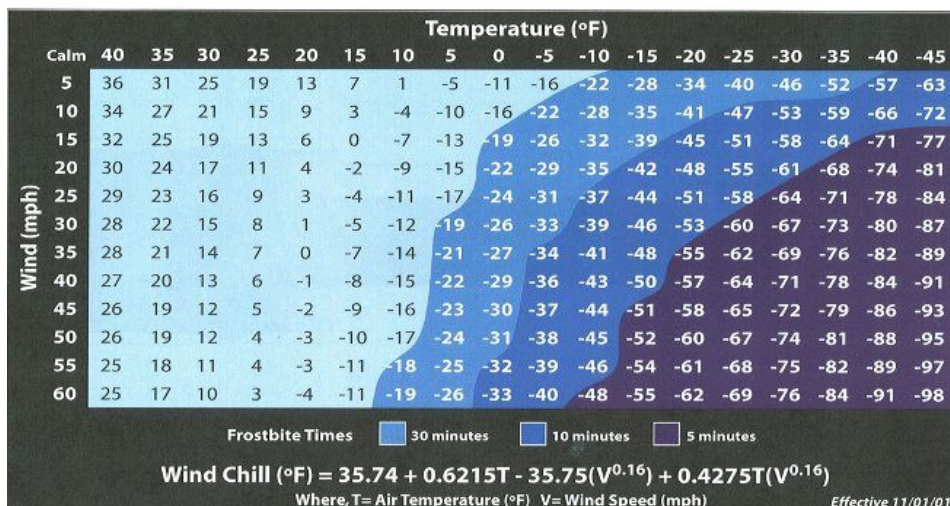
On days when the weather is bad, listen to any local radio or television station for information about school closing. If you provided your email address and/or mobile phone number during enrollment, you will be contacted in the morning regarding a school closing via email, phone and text message. [You can also opt in now to receive MMSD text messages.](#) You may also check [our website.](#)

How Cold is Too Cold?

Generally, Shorewood Hills Elementary will bring students inside when temperatures (including wind chill) are -10 degrees Fahrenheit or lower.



Wind Chill Chart



Donate Your Winter Gear

Do you have snow pants or other winter gear that your children have outgrown? The FACE Committee and the health office would like to donate these items to students at Shorewood. Please bring any items you wish to donate to the office.



Save These Dates!

Poetry Cafe: Thursday, February 15th 5:30pm-7:30pm. 4K-5 kids & families are invited to write & perform poetry. All languages and styles of poetry welcome.

Family Showcase: Tuesday, February 27th 5:30pm-7:30pm. Come visit classrooms and Unified Arts to see your kids' accomplishments. Adult supervision is required at both events.

Vision/Hearing Screening

On December 7, all Kindergarteners, 3rd graders and 5th graders had their vision screened. In addition, all Kindergarteners had their hearing screened. If you do not hear from Donna or Kim in the health office, please assume that your student "passed" their screening. As always, screening does not detect all vision and hearing problems – if you suspect a problem, always consult your physician. THANK YOU to the following volunteers for giving their time to help us complete the screening in a timely manner: Santosh Mehta, Ruma Roy, Xi Zhang, Ziyu Qin, Hongmei Yu, Lisa Tiedt, Frank Cheng, and Jessica Fields. Amy Neeno-Eckwall – we appreciate the time and effort put into recruiting the volunteers. We could not have done it without you!!! Please call 204-1204 if you have questions.

After School Spanish Begins February 7th

Just a reminder that, after the winter break, Spanish classes will start back up on February 7th.

Support Students Experiencing Homelessness

Spreading the word is an easy way to raise money and awareness. Please like and share the first video, which will be posted on [Heartland Credit Union's Facebook page](#) next Wednesday, December 27.

Imagine Madison: Shaping the Future of our Community

To get started, visit the [Imagine Madison website](#) to participate in the interactive activities to voice your preferences and priorities. This survey ends on December 31, 2017.

Vote for the Spartans

Memorial is representing MMSD in the running to win FOX47's MSG 2 Teens competition! Voting ends Jan. 19 (scroll down on the page to vote).

Vacation Days at Aldo Leopold

Keep students engaged while on winter break!

Regent Soccer Club

Welcomes all Kindergartners to join their spring session. [Registration information.](#)

Basketball League, Grades K-3 Basketball League, Grades 4-8

Cooking with Chef Lily, Ages 5-8

At Meadowwood Library, December 29, 1:00pm.

Cooking with Chef Lily, Ages 9+

At Meadowwood Library, December 29, 3:00pm.

My Family New Year's Eve

At Monona Terrace, KEVA Sports Center, Madison Ice Arena and Hartmeyer Ice Arena. One ticket gets you into all four locations!

Holiday Toy Drive Update

Thanks to everyone who donated to the holiday toy drive! Some of your donations went to our school's new makerspace and other classrooms in the school; some of them went to Shorewood Elementary families; the rest went to two non-profit organizations in Madison. In every case they brought joy and holiday cheer to kids who really appreciated it!

Only a few shopping days left! There's still time to support Shorewood Elementary...

Amazon Smiles is a program that donates a portion of every purchase you make on amazon.com to the Shorewood PTO. It doesn't cost you anything extra or change what products are available. Amazon does not reveal any information about what was purchased or how much you spent.

Next time you shop on Amazon, use the following link:

smile.amazon.com/ch/27-1413865

A portion of what you spend will automatically be donated to the PTO, so we can use it to improve programs for your child.

Sign up now to volunteer in January

Now that winter is here, we need more help than ever in the school lunchroom. The little kids especially need assistance getting winter clothes on and off without losing their whole lunchtime. Sign up now to volunteer in January, using this link:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080848aea72ca0f94-lunchroom4>

Even if you can only commit to one day, it makes a big difference!

Get to Know Your PTO: Heather Zintel

Hello! I am a Teacher Rep in the PTO. This is my first year as a rep and I'm enjoying learning about this important community. This is my 7th year teaching at Shorewood and I absolutely love it! I've held a few different titles since coming to Shorewood: BRT (bilingual resource teacher), ESL Teacher, and 3rd Grade Teacher. I love our diverse community and the open mindedness of the students and families. In addition to the PTO, also serve on our G1 Technology Team—I love learning about new tech ideas I can use in the classroom. In my spare time, I love playing and cuddling with my dog, Olie, and watching my niece and nephew perform in musical and drama ensembles in Oregon, WI.



Please DO NOT PARK or STAND in the Kindergarten turnaround. You will receive a \$40 parking ticket from the Police Department for parking in turnaround or parking illegally. Neighbors are asking that you do not block their driveways or mailboxes when you park. Please do not idle.

Students are expected to be in their classrooms on time. School begins promptly at 8:30am. We are helping all K-5 students transition independently into the classroom. Families, teachers are requesting your help with this! Please say goodbye to your students outside and if you need to transition your child into the classroom, please exit the classroom by 8:28am so that instruction can begin on time.

STUDENT PICKUPS: When families want to pick up their children during the school day for doctor appointments, etc., [families must wait in the main office.](#)

Students must be picked up on time each day. Dismissal times are 1:55 on Mondays and 3:27 Tuesday through Friday. Please check the school calendar for early dismissal days and days school is not in session.

[New Year's Eve Dance Party](#)

At Madison Children's Museum

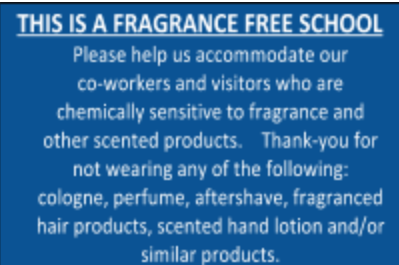
[MSCR Snow Ball Dance](#)

Friday, January 12, 6-8 pm at MSCR East, 4620 Cottage Grove Road.

[Habitat for Humanity 22nd Annual Souper Bowl](#)

The Habitat for Humanity- Campus Chapter University of Wisconsin Madison is holding their 22nd annual Souper Bowl fundraiser on February 3, 2018, at Madison West High School.

[Other Community Events & Activities](#)



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JANUARY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 NO SCHOOL, Winter Break <i>Kwanzaa</i>	2 NO SCHOOL, Winter Break	3 School Resumes	4	5 FACE Meeting, 8:30-9:30am Popcorn Sale, 3:27pm	6
7	8 GYM	9 PTO Gathering, 6:30-8:30pm GYM	10 GYM	11 GYM	12 GYM	13
14	15 NO SCHOOL, MLK Jr. Day GYM	16 GYM	17 GYM	18 GYM	19 End of 2nd Quarter Spelling Bee, 9:00am GYM	20
21	22 Start of 3rd Quarter and 2nd Semester GYM	23 GYM	24 GYM	25 GYM	26 Popcorn Sale, 3:27pm GYM	27
28	29 GYM	30 GYM	31 GYM			

4K,K Fall PALS
1,2 Fall PALS
2,5 CogAT
3-5 Fall MAP
ACCESS
4K-2 Spring PALS
Forward
3-5 Winter MAP
3-5 Spring MAP
3-5 DLM
GYM Gymnastics Rotation

FEBRUARY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 FACE Meeting, 8:30-9:30am Groundhog's Day	3
4	5	6 PTO Gathering, 6:30-8:30pm	7	8	9 NO SCHOOL, Staff Only Day	10
11	12 Potency of Poetry	13 Potency of Poetry	14 Potency of Poetry Valentine's Day Ash Wednesday	15 Potency of Poetry Poetry Cafe, 5:30-7:30pm	16 Lunar New Year	17
18	19	20 2018 Spring Primary Election	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Family Showcase, 5:30-7:30pm	28			