

May 18, 2012

Dear Parents,

Breakfast for May 21, 2012: Orange Juice, French Toast, Breakfast Cracker

Lunch for May 21, 2012: Pepperoni Pizza on Whole Grain Crust, Fresh Sugar Snap Peas & Baby Carrots, Ranch Dip, Sweet Red Strawberries.

A reminder to pay any **negative balances** in your **student's lunch account**. The school has to pay the negative balances at the end of the year which means the school will not be able to purchase learning materials with that money. Remember you must pay in cash because checks are no longer accepted.

PTA Nominations: The Fairview PTA would like you to consider being a part of the slate of officers of the local group. The nomination form can be found in the Tuesday Folder found in the Parent box on the Fairview Homepage. You may print it out, complete the form and send it to school for the PTA box. Please consider serving in this most worthy organization that works to serve your students and the Fairview community.

Summer Academy

Summer Academy registration forms are now available in the school office. Summer Academy seats are limited and sites will reach their enrollment limits quickly. Summer Academy dates are June 25, 2012 to July 26, 2012, Monday through Thursday, 9:00am to 12:00pm. There is no school on July 4th. The Summer Academy program is a morning academic program consisting of reading, writing, language arts, science and math. The program will be a review of skills of your child's current grade plus a preview of what will be expected in their grade in fall.

Free breakfast and lunch are offered at Fairview.

You can find the registration form on the Fairview web site in the Parents box, **Or** on the MPS portal. To find enrollment form on Portal go to Schools > Summer School>Parent and Student Resources> MPS Summer Academy enrollment Form (found on the top right side of page). They are also available in the school's main office.

Enrichment Camp

If a family is interested in the 2012 Enrichment Camp, you may pick up a registration form at the school's front desk or in the main office.. This form will be mailed to the MPS Recreation Division or if paying by credit card, you will need to go in person to an MPS Recreation Division Office.

The 2nd and 3rd grade Brownie troops (#1880 and #8212) will be working on their Celebrating Community badge. They will discover community symbols, historic landmarks, and patriotic songs. They will learn about the national flag and anthem from a policeman and a military person. The final part of the badge will

have the Brownies walking in the Memorial Day Parade and the 4th of July Parade.

Healthy Kids Learn More! **May is Asthma Awareness Month** – check the web site Tuesday Folder for the complete poster from Nurse Peggy. People with asthma have airways (the tubes for air in your lungs) that are sensitive, or twitchy. A trigger is something that affects the sensitive airways. Everyone has different triggers. Triggers may be cigarette smoke, emotions, exercise, pollen, dust mites, cockroaches, cat or dog dander, being sick with a cold or flu, mold, strong smells, and cold air. The best way to deal with asthma triggers is to avoid them.

Girls First: A peer group for girls and young women with disabilities at IndependenceFirst – 530 S. 1st Street, Milwaukee 53204. Tuesdays 1:00-3:00 summer 2012, June 19-August 21. For information and/or to request an accommodation contact: Alie Kriofske Mainella 414-226-8112 V/TTY akriofske@independencefirst.org.

Summer Unplugged: Free Bowling for Kids all summer Long. Register you kids, 15 and younger, in the program and you'll be able to print FREE BOWLING VOUCHERS for two games per day, all summer long. Set your summer free – spend it with family and friends at your local AMF Bowling Center. Visit <http://www.freebowling.amf.com> to learn more.

From the Milwaukee Public Library

A child's background knowledge plays a critical role in their reading comprehension. A child who is a good reader not only reads a lot, but has a wide variety of experiences. Together the experiences and the reading create a child with a wealth of background information. This assists them in reading comprehension throughout their lives.

We know many children in Milwaukee are not able to travel to other cities, go to specialty camps or even afford trips to our museums and other cultural institutions. The library provides access to the world through books and our events. Following are some recommended books for your child to read this summer. (I will change these periodically).

Zoos & Aquariums

ZooZical by Judy Sierra

Kids Guide to Zoo Animals by Michelle Gilders

Life Size Aquariums by Teruyuki Komiya

Be A Super Reader: Milwaukee Public Library Summer Reading 2012: May 14-August 30. For children ages 12 and younger. Sign up at any Milwaukee Public Library. Visit www.mpl.org/SummerReading for details. Defeat Dr. Brain Drain.

Parents of Teens: Teens can get two free audiobook downloads each week this summer for ten weeks through SYNC, a joint venture between audiobook

publishers and AUDIOFILE Magazine. Each week, kids can listen to one popular young adult title paired with a classic that connects with its theme from the top audiobook publishers absolutely free. Downloads are in MP3 format, hosted by OVERDRIVE, and are Mac and Windows compatible. Each audiobook will be available for download for only 7 days, but once downloaded can be listened to at any time.

Download links will be posted at www.audiobooksync.com.

The final turn-in of **Boxtops** for this school year is May 31st. I invite you to visit http://www.boxtops4education.com/Sweepstakes.aspx/Year-End-Video-Sweepstakes/395?WT.ac=Feature_YearEndVideo to learn how you can help Fairview make its yearly goal or surpass it.

Fairview is on **Twitter**. Go to **@FairviewMPS** and get the latest tweets from our school. This is a protected site and you will need to request to follow @FairviewMPS. I am asking that anyone who would like to follow @FairviewMPS also email me your Twitter name and the name of the student. If I cannot find a link between the Twitter name and someone within the school, I am not accepting them as followers. I don't want to keep someone from following if they are legitimate Fairview Family but I can't find the connection. Just send a note to meyeral@milwaukee.k12.wi.us.

PE blog Update

Please check out your child's Physical Education class at <http://fairviewpe.blogspot.com>. See a movie from a few years ago.

Mr. Beringer's email address is beringmx@milwaukee.k12.wi.us.

Upcoming EVENTS

Memorial Day – **May 28th, 2012 no school**

Completion Ceremony **8th Grade – June 11, 2012, 5:30-6:30pm**

Anyone wanting to be removed from the listserve at the end of the school year, please email me with the email addresses you want to have removed. I do not have names, just email addresses.

Do not use the REPLY button to contact me with a question or request.

When you hit the reply button, all 534 people on the listserve receive that message. To reach me, please use meyeral@milwaukee.k12.wi.us. If you have a question or concern I cannot answer, I will forward it to the person most likely to know the answer. Thank you for the questions and requests. It is good to know that someone out there is reading this message each day.

Enjoy a beautiful weekend in Wisconsin,,

Mrs. Meyer