



Mustang Express

James McGee Elementary School
Wendy Lechelt-Polster, Principal



May 2016

...From The Desk Of The Principal

Parents,

James McGee Elementary was honored with the **Washington Achievement Award** for growth in mathematics for the third straight year! This award is based on state and national criteria and honors the ongoing improvement efforts being made by our school staff. We appreciate the ongoing parental support of our school and applaud the hard work of our students!

May is a busy month! We will begin administering the Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) the second week in May for 3rd-6th grade students. Each grade level will take the English Language Arts and Mathematic assessments, and each assessment is administered in two testing sessions on different days. This means that students will have four SBA testing sessions in the month of May. It isn't all assessment in these final seven weeks of school; we have assemblies, musical performances, and field trips coming up. We know that these activities enrich our students' educational experiences and promote a positive school culture!

May Events

- ◆ The *Buy One/Get One* book fair will be open May 6th-May 13th. We will have a variety of books available at every reading level. We hope you will take the opportunity to get some great books for your children at a great price! Summer is coming, so stock up on some great reads for your kids!
- ◆ We invite our moms/special guests to our annual "Muffins with Moms" event on Friday, May 6th from 7:45-9:00 a.m. in the James McGee Cafeteria. Enjoy a tasty treat with your child/children and then stop by the book fair in the library.
- ◆ *Kindergarten Readiness Night* will be held on Thursday, May 12th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. If you have an incoming kindergartener, we encourage you to attend this event. We will share pertinent information regarding kindergarten registration and beginning of the school year activities, kindergarten readiness suggestions, activities, and resources, and will provide tours of the school for parents and their child.

In closing, I would like to take a moment to thank the staff our James McGee Elementary school for their dedication to our students. James McGee is a wonderful school and the entire staff contributes to its success. May 2nd-6th is **Teacher Appreciation Week** and we are so blessed to have amazing teachers who are dedicated and caring professionals! Take a moment this week to thank a teacher!

Sincerely,

Wendy Lechelt-Polster
Principal



May 2016 Dates to Remember

Teacher Appreciation Week	2-6
SARC Sunshine Puppet Theatre presentation Kindergarten	4
Muffins with Mom 7:45-9:00 a.m.	6
BOGO Scholastic Book Fair	6-13
National Nutrition Week	9-13
Nurse Appreciation Day	11
Kindergarten Readiness Night 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria	12
A.T.P. Meeting 8:30 a.m. in the library	16
Educational Bosses Week	16-20
P.T.O. Meeting 6:30 p.m. in the library	19
McGee CARES Assembly "Safety" 2:45 p.m. in the gym	20
3rd Grade to the REACH Museum 9:05 a.m.—2:00 p.m.	20
S.T.E. M. Night (Science) 6:00-7:30 p.m.	26
4th Gr. Salmon Release 9:05 a.m.—2:00 p.m. at Sacajawea State Park	27
Memorial Day No classes held	30



Remember -
our fallen heros.
They are the reason
that we are free.

Mustang P.T.O.

Supporting James McGee Elementary

Contact us at mcgeevolunteers@yahoo.com



Us on Facebook "Mustang PTO"



Monthly P.T.O. Meeting

The next monthly PTO meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 19, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the library.

Topics:

- * Door prizes!
- * Election of 2016-17 Board Officers
- * Mustang Round-up Planning

Door prizes will be given out! Every child whose parent attends the P.T.O. meeting will have their name put in a drawing for a book.

They will also be given one dollar of Mustang Money.

PT.O. Board Officers 2016-2017

PresidentOpen
Vice President.....Open
Vice President ElectOpen
Secretary/Communications.....Open
Treasurer.....Open
Volunteer CoordinatorOpen

Committee Chairpersons

Book Fair Chairperson.....Open
Mustang Round Up Chairperson.....Open
Fall Fundraiser Chairperson.....Open
Trunk or Treat Chairperson.....Open
Spring Fundraiser Chairperson.....Open
Student Store ChairpersonOpen
T-shirt Sales ChairpersonOpen
Yearbook Chairperson.....Open
Box Tops Chairperson.....Open

All positions are open for the 2016-2017 school year. If you are interested in a position, please call the office at 547-6583

Yearbooks Are Still Available to Purchase!

Yearbooks are still available to purchase. Order your yearbook today. It is a great way to save childhood memories. The cost of a yearbook is \$25. They will be delivered to students the last week of school.

Kindergarten Readiness Night



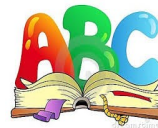
Thursday, May 12, 2016
6:30-7:30 p.m.

2016-2017 James McGee Kindergarten Students Only

Join us for an evening geared towards your kindergarten student.

- * Tour the building and kindergarten rooms
- * Meet the kindergarten teachers
- * Sign-up to join our P.T.O. group
- * Receive hand-outs with valuable information
- * Receive school supplies to work with your child during the summer (while supplies last)

We look forward to meeting you and your incoming kindergarten student. Space is limited, so please call the office at 547-6583 to make your reservation.



2016-2017 Kindergarten Registration!

Now through
June 21, 2016
Monday-Friday
9:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

A registration packet is available in the office.

Immunizations must be current (booster shots after the age of 4). Verification of residency is also required along with a copy of the state issued birth certificate.