



McMEEN
ELEMENTARY

McMeen Elementary

Family Weekly Newsletter

January 8-January 14, 2022

Weekly Happenings:

Saturday, January 8th-

10:00 am -12:00 pm PTO Garden Cleanup

Monday, January 10th

Tuesday, January 11th-

3:20- 4:30 Choir Rehearsal

5:00 CSC Meeting use this [Budget training ZOOM Link](#)

6:00 PTO Meeting use this [PTO Zoom link](#).

Wednesday, January 12th

3:30- 4:45 Frisbee Golf (5th Grade)

Thursday, January 13th -

Friday, January 14th-

McMeen Winter Read-a-Thon

December 20, 2021 - January 20, 2022

How the McMeen Read-a-Thon works:

- Read every day! All reading counts! You can read in any language and count all types of reading done at school and home, such as reading with a parent or reading programs, such as iStation, Epic, Sora, or Reading A-Z.
- If you want, you can ask your family, friends, or neighbors to sponsor your reading! They can pledge per minute or make a flat donation. **You do not have to fundraise to participate!** See attached sponsorship form.
- Track your reading minutes every day on this calendar or your own. See the attached calendar!
- Submit your reading minutes by turning in this reading calendar by **January 24th** to your teacher.
- Credit Card donations can be made online at <https://tinyurl.com/mcmeenreads> or turn donations into your teacher (cash or checks payable to McMeen Elementary PTO)
- Collect your prizes!

If you don't have a printer or would like to keep track of this digitally,

please send it to mcmeenpto@gmail.com

Please email mcmeenpto@gmail.com with any questions.

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Upcoming Event

JANUARY

Jan 17-Dr. MLK Day, No School

FEBRUARY

Feb 11- Teacher Planning Day-No School

Feb 21- President's Day- No School

Feb 22- Teacher Professional Development Day- No School

News from McMeen PTO

Check out the link to [PTO NEWSLETTER](#)

Next Meeting - Parent

Teacher Organization (PTO) Meeting will be

Tuesday, January 11th at 6pm via [this Zoom link](#).

Contact Us!

Email: mcmeenpto@gmail.com

Facebook :

<https://www.facebook.com/McMeenElementary>

Instagram:

[@realstudentsofmcmeen](https://www.instagram.com/realstudentsofmcmeen)

Messages from McMeen

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Covid Protocols-

Due to the recent outbreaks of Covid-19, McMeen will continue to adhere to DPS protocols for health and safety. Students will continue to be required to wear well fitting masks at all times and we will be adhering to strict hand washing protocols. Please remind your students of these expectations.

We ask that you inform the school if your child tests positive for Covid-19 by calling the office. As information becomes available from DPS, we will pass it along to families.

Volunteers- We are very sad that we need to pause on having volunteers in the building due to COVID-19. We will keep you posted as we see this opening up again.

School Start Time- Please remember that school starts promptly at 8:20. The first part of the day is very important as it is our time to support the Socio-Emotional Learning for each student. Please drop off your students with enough time that they are in line and ready to enter the building with their class at 8:20. If your student will be tardy, you must have them enter from the front of the building. Once the back parking lot is blocked with cones, your student must enter through the front.

From Discovery Link-

Hello McMeen Families!

Although it is months away, this warm December weather has us thinking about next summer.

For Summer 2022, Extended Learning and Community Schools will offer traditional Discovery Link summer camps, as well as the return of Enrichment Exploration Camps.

Discovery Link summer camps will run from 6/13/22 - 8/5/22, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 7:00am - 5:30pm (with no camp on 7/4/22).

Summer camp will be hosted at Bradley International School for McMeen this summer!

Enrichment Exploration Camps will run the same dates from 7:30am - 5:30pm.

Registration for camp will open in late January/early February - you will receive more information in the following weeks.

We can't wait to spend Summer in the City with you!

–Candace Hoffmann

Program Supervisor for Discovery Link at McMeen

Student Shout Outs!!

Kindergarten- ALL of Ms. Zaragoza's Kindergarten classroom They all came ready to learn!

Kindergarten- Shukrona Saifova, Shukrona has been doing a great job using resources to complete her work! She always does her best and has a great attitude towards learning!!

Kindergarten- Peace Gallegos, Peace is always trying to help her friends and being so compassionate towards her friends! She is such a roll model for kindness and compassion!

1st Grade- Rosa, She has shown so much more confidence in speaking Spanish during SLD with me! She's using more complex, extended sentences and is always trying to incorporate new vocabulary!

3rd Grade- Avi (Avianna)Palmer, Avi was an amazing leader in her class on Tuesday! She came back to 22 ready to learn, gave elaborate answers and was willing to help out classmates as well as Mrs. McWhorter and Mrs. Heaton during Ms. Caldwell's absence! Great job Avi!

3rd Grade/ 4th Grade- My third and fourth graders, I really want to shout out my third and fourth graders who have come back to school so enthusiastic and very happy after the winter break, They enjoyed seeing and talking to their friends and partners and they are ready to start this new year with a happy, bright look and make wonderful memories. I wish them the best of the best this year. ~Elkin Barrera

3rd Grade- Kaiyah Stevens, She is always kind, thoughtful and excited to engage with me.

3rd Grade- Layla Miller Davis, She welcomed me with the hugest hug on Tuesday!

4th Grade- Adrian Sanchez, He has worked so hard to practice his math skills during and after the school day. I am so proud of his determination to grow and practice new math strategies!

4th Grade- Noah Garcia, Thank you Noah for always being so kind, inclusive, and thoughtful. Your classmates and I are so lucky to have you in our class!

5th Grade- Dylan McArdle, Dylan shows up everyday ready to learn! He is always excited to learn about new units in class. Dylan is respectful to his classmates and willing to help others out.

NEWS From the Classrooms

5th Grade- 5th Grade is off to a wonderful start to the new year! We are so excited to be back in school. We have reset behavior expectations for the remainder of the year and we appreciate parent support and are looking forward to working closely with families to support our students! 5th grade has also been having a great time with Ultimate Frisbee Club! We are taking a short break from frisbee but will start practice again on Wednesday, February 2nd. We have so much to look forward to in the next few months! ~Bridget Zaleski

Kindergarten- Ms. Zaragoza's class worked on writing new year's resolutions. ~Ms. Zaragoza

Resources from DPS

Covid-19 Vaccination INFORMATION

Our Denver Health School-Based Health Centers (SBHCs) are now offering vaccinations for free at [18 locations](#) across the city. SBHCs offer a quick and convenient way to get vaccinated. Please see this flier (in [English](#) and [Spanish](#)) with dates and locations of these free SBHC vaccination clinics. More information about the safety of the COVID-19 vaccine for children can also be found in this [fact sheet from Denver Health](#). Families can register for the vaccine online with their Denver Health MyChart account [here](#), or can call 303-602-8958 to schedule an appointment.