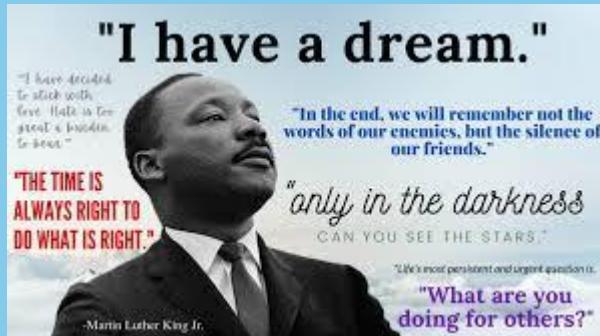


SHARK TALES

Message from the Principal, Mrs. Axson



Just a reminder that we will be **CLOSED** on Monday, January 19th in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Classes will resume on Tuesday, Jan. 20th.



Our school is participating in the Kids Heart Challenge, and it's time for you to sign up your student to become part of the Lifesavers League. We have our kick-off on 1/23/26, so get a head start by downloading the AHA Schools app for iPhone or Android, search for our school and sign up to receive your wristband! Then, start helping kids with special hearts by making or receiving your first donation, and you'll start earning thank-you gifts. You're on your way to completing Finn's Mission!

http://www2.heart.org/site/TR?fr_id=12400&pg=company_id=534063

WALL OF FAME

Wall of Fame Word: PEACEMAKER

Carter - Everlee Austin

Maldonado - Jacob Blanco

Booe- Crystal Malave

Montanez - Paxton Fry

Amerling - Leilani Samuels

Dillingham - Sofia Mercado

Dube - Payton Smith

Kucharek - Emma Klinger

Crawford - Saleena Husein

Moon- Miah Mejia

Egert - Sadie Allen

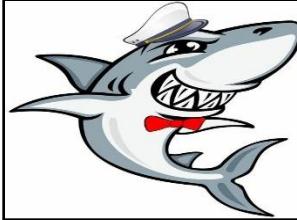
Fish - Jose Bonilla

The 100th Day of School is coming soon!

Next Friday, Jan. 23rd, it will be the 100th day of school. We are celebrating by dressing up like we are 100 years old, or you can put 100 things on a shirt and wear it!



Please have your child write or draw something they enjoy doing when it is cold outside. Have them turn it in to Mrs. Axson AS SOON AS THEY GET HERE to earn something special. 😊 Don't tell others, as it is a secret to see if they are reading the newsletter.



NEWSLETTER!



We have plants growing!



Title 1 Parent Survey

Please take a moment to complete our annual Title I Parent Survey. Please complete the paper copy that went home today, or you can complete the survey online by clicking the links below. If you have any questions, please call the office and we will be glad to help. The survey links are:

For English:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=cJx5FTLBu06xAkjDueUvFiAPdg9l0-5NudG3Z2mHdSJUNUFENFFVNNTWkwxMkYzNIZDNktRNII5WC4u>

For Spanish:

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KONA ICE IS COMING!

KONA ICE PRE-PAY

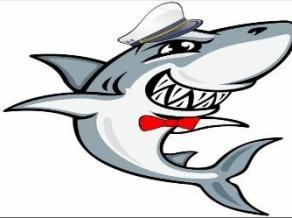
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MARION CHARTER SCHOOL

Thursday 1/22/26, 12:00 PM - 1:15 PM

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NEWSLETTER!

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Please remember to keep your child at home if they are not feeling well. If your child has a fever, diarrhea, or are throwing up, they **MUST** be symptom free for 24 hours **WITHOUT** the aide of medicine before they can return to school.

If you have any questions, please call Ms. Tammy in the front office at 687-2100.

RESILIENCY SKILL FOR THE MONTH: January

SELF AWARENESS and SELF MANAGEMENT

Self-awareness is the ability to recognize one's own emotions, strengths, challenges, and values, and understand how these affect behavior. Self-management is the ability to regulate those emotions, thoughts, and behaviors effectively, managing stress, controlling impulses, and motivating oneself to achieve academic and personal goals.

Check out this short video about self-awareness and self-management.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OGVt0sgRXPM>

A great story to read to your child about perseverance is "Stand Tall Mary Lou Melon!". Click on the link to hear the story.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f0PJbx6cUf0>



ATTENDANCE MATTERS! BE HERE! ON TIME! EVERY DAY! ALL DAY!

Our school mascot, Captain Clark the Shark will be visiting classrooms with the best attendance in the school each week! Ms. Wells will also be giving out \$5 Shark Bucks every day to a student in each grade level if they were here on time.

This Week's Winner: Ms. Montanez's Class

Resiliency Skills

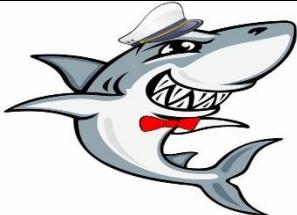
The State of Florida has implemented resiliency skills and standards throughout all grade levels. These skills are intentionally designed to impart the value of resiliency in early grades, such as volunteerism, responsibility, and goal setting, and then support students as they demonstrate those concepts in higher grades. The standards embed concepts of civic responsibility through citizenship and mentorship to not only help students understand the value of these ideas but to actively engage in activities and exercises that will prepare them to be upstanding, responsible citizens.



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NEWSLETTER!

COIN WARS FUNDRAISER

We are going to have a schoolwide coin war starting Tuesday, Jan. 20th, to help raise funds for our 4th and 5th grade trip to Epcot.

How it works:

- To earn "POSITIVE" points for their class, students can put **pennies and dollar bills** in their class's jar.
- To earn "NEGATIVE" points for another class, students can put **nickels, dimes, and quarters** in another class's jar.

The class with the highest positive total will win Popcorn and a Movie on Friday, February 13.

Student Handbook

Please take time to read our Student Handbook located under the PARENTS section on our school website at:

www.marioncharter.org

INFORMATION HIGHWAY –

PARENTS, WE WANT TO KEEP YOU INFORMED. SCHOOL INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON:

www.marioncharter.org

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK
CONNECT TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASS
DOJO

Upcoming Field Trips:

Wednesday, Feb. 11th - 4th Grade to St. Augustine

Please make sure that you have completed the Volunteer Background screening process through Raptor so that you can chaperone on field trips and volunteer for field day.

<https://apps.raptortech.com/Apply/MTE2NTplbi1VUw>

Important Dates:

Monday, January 19th - NO SCHOOL!
(Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

Wednesday, January 21st - KONA ICE MONEY DUE

Thursday, January 22nd - KONA ICE DAY

Friday, January 23rd - 100th Day of School and Kid's Heart Challenge Kick Off!

Wednesday, January 28th - EARLY RELEASE DAY



Just a reminder that NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES are allowed in the classrooms per our school policy. Children must turn in their phones and/or Smart watches in the office for safe keeping and at the end of the day, they may come pick them up at carline time.

COIN WARS

FUNDRAISER

JANUARY 20 - FEBRUARY 6

**WATCH YOUR COINS
“CHANGE” INTO
POPCORN AND A MOVIE!**

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★ **PARTICIPATION IS SCHOOLWIDE, BUT PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE 4TH AND 5TH GRADE EPCOT TRIP.** ★ Please reach out to Mrs. Edworthy if you have any questions. ★



MCS Lunch Menu -January 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<i>Daily Milk Choices:</i> <i>White 1% Milk</i> <i>Chocolate FF Milk</i>	NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK	NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK	NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK	1 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK	2 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK
<i>*Menu options are subject to change without notice*</i>	5 NO SCHOOL TEACHER WORK DAY	6 NO SCHOOL TEACHER WORK DAY	7 Chicken Empanada Roasted Broccoli Potato Smiles Fresh Fruit	8 Chicken Alfredo Roll Sweet Peas Crunch Carrots Fruit	9 Chicken Bites Mixed Vegetables Celery Sticks Fresh Fruit Fruit Juice
	12 Cheesy Macaroni Chicken Bowl Breadstick Roasted Carrots Pickles Fresh Fruit	13 Cheese Dip Walking Tacos Fiesta Beans Mixed Vegetables Fresh Fruit	14 Spaghetti Breadstick Mixed Vegetables Green Beans Fresh Fruit	15 Chicken & Rice Roll Black Beans Roasted Broccoli Fresh Fruit	16 Cheese Pizza Crunchy Carrots French Fries Fresh Fruit
	19 NO SCHOOL! Martin Luther King Jr. Day!	20 Beef Walking Tacos Cheddar Dip Fiesta Beans Mixed Vegetables Fresh Fruit	21 Chicken Quesadilla Breadstick Mixed Vegetables Roasted Carrots Fresh Fruit	22 Mandarin Orange Chicken with Noodles Roasted Broccoli Cucumber/Tomato	23 Cheese Pizza Crunchy Carrots Zucchini Fresh Fruit
	26 Tortellini w/ Sauce Breadstick Mixed Vegetables Crunchy Carrots Fresh Fruit	27 Pork Taco Nachos Corn Fiesta Beans Mandarin Oranges	28 Chicken Empanada Roasted Broccoli Potato Smiles Fresh Fruit	29 Chicken Alfredo Roll Sweet Peas Crunch Carrots Fruit	30 Cheese Pizza Mixed Vegetables Celery Sticks Fresh Fruit Fruit Juice



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Meeting New Furr-ends with HSMC

Are you in 4th to 9th Grade and want a 4-legged friend by your side? Do you want to relax and play with cats in a quiet room? We have treats, toys, cat nip, and more for your furry friend. Come join us at Meeting New Furr-ends!

4th to 6th Grade: 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM

**Scan to
Sign Up:**

7th to 9th Grade: 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Questions?

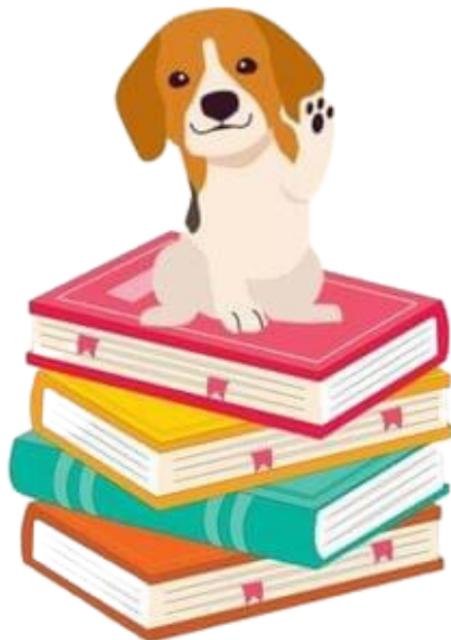
Email apritchard@thehsmc.org

Call (352)873-7387 ext 205



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MARCH 16TH-20TH
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Admission \$225

Extended Hours: 7:30am-5:00pm for an extra \$25

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Healthy kids:



Spend at least 1 hour a day being physically active

Spend less than 2 hours a day watching TV and playing video and computer games



Eat at least a total of 5 fruits and vegetables everyday



Snack on healthy foods and less junk food and sweets



Drink or eat at least 3 low fat dairy foods a day



Drink at least 2 glasses or bottles of water a day instead of soda



Eat less fast food and make healthier fast food choices

Eat smaller amounts - bigger is not better



How can I help my child **SUCCEED** in school?



Stay involved and feel free to contact your child's teacher with any questions or concerns.

Ask your children about school and encourage them to talk about their day.

Do not talk negatively about your child's teacher or school.

Read with your child **every night.**

Make sure your child is getting plenty of sleep and is ready for school each day.

Help your child with his/her homework **every night.**

Teach your children to be responsible for their actions and their schoolwork.