

# SHARK TALES

## Message from the Principal, Mrs. Axson

Happy Friday Everyone!

Marion Charter is having a Parent's Night Out on Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup> from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. for Marion Charter School students ONLY. Registration is limited, so please reach out to Mrs. Edworthy if you would like to register for this event. \$25.00 per student with dinner being provided.

## MCS Presents PARENTS Night Out

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

FROM 5 PM - 8 PM

**ONLY  
\$25 per  
student!\***

Dinner will be  
provided.

\*Siblings will be capped at  
\$50 per family.

- For Marion Charter School students only.
- Payment is due upon registration.
- Registration is limited to 20 students.
- Registration opens Monday, Feb. 2 and closes on Wednesday, Feb. 11 or when capacity is met.
- We will not accept any same day drop-ins.

Please reach out to Mrs. Edworthy on Class Dojo starting Monday, February 2 to register your child!  
Cash payment only. All proceeds will be applied to the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade EPCOT field trip.

## WALL OF FAME

### Wall of Fame Word: HEALTHY

Carter - Carsyn Fockler

Maldonado - Darrin Delgado

Booe- Declan Scott

Montanez - Liam Murray

Amerling - Hunter Nettles

Dillingham - Caleb Fish

Dube - Izayah Maufroy

Kucharek - Mason Shrader

Crawford - Javon Bell

Moon- Jorge Murille

Egert - Sariah Harris

Fish - Easton Wooten

### Last Week's Wall of Fame Word: CONSIDERATE

Carter - Riley Daniel

Maldonado - Hazel Day

Booe- Ryn Riherd

Montanez - John Blanco

Amerling - Arshad Samad

Dillingham - Virgil Linnell

Dube - Jolen Capers

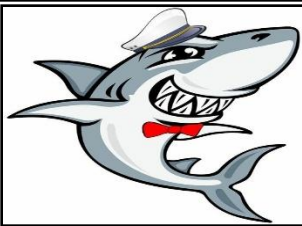
Kucharek - Waylon Lindstam

Crawford - Luna Sarandes

Moon- Madison Murray

Egert - Auryana Chambers

Fish - Lailiana Alfred



# NEWSLETTER!



We have plants growing!



Happy Valentine's Day

Next Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, we will have our Kids Heart Showcase out front @ 9:00 where each grade level can show off their jump roping, hula hoop, and dancing skills.

Also, classes will be having their Valentine's Day parties in the afternoon. If you are sending in Valentine's Cards, please make sure that you have a card for every student in the class so that there are no students left out. Please reach out to your child's teacher if you would like to send in any goodies.

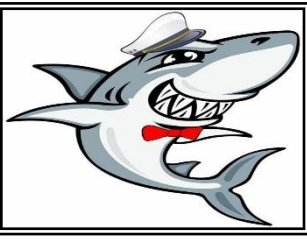


The Sealants For Healthy Smiles will be here February 17<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>. If you would like your child to participate, please return the permission slips that went home last week. Permission slips are due no later than January 29<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please call Ms. Tammy in the front office.

## **SALUTE THESE TOP FUNDRAISERS**

Our TOP FUNRAISERS so far are:

Waylon L. with \$345.08  
Hunter T. with \$319.93  
Adabelle R. with \$164.64  
Alex S. with \$163.77  
Mrs. Axson with \$160.25



# 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: February

### GRIT

Grit is having the passion and perseverance to stick with difficult, long-term goals, even when facing challenges, setbacks, or failures. For elementary students, it means not giving up on tough tasks (like learning to ride a bike or solving hard math problems), practicing to get better, and staying focused on the goal.

Check out this short video about grit.

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

A great story to read to your child about grit is "Gen Grit In I Quit". Click on the link to hear the story.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vniBnISiE8Q>



Please have your child draw a picture of them as a heart superhero and 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.



## 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.

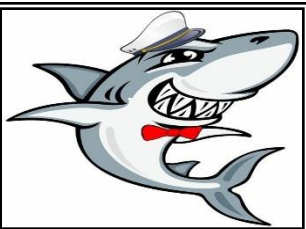
**This Week's Winner: Mrs. Carter's Class**

## 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.



Text-A-Tip Hotline  
352-877-2838



# NEWSLETTER!



Kids Heart Challenge is here! Our students are learning how to keep their hearts and brains healthy and raising funds to help kids with special hearts, kids like Finn.

We're asking all families to register and complete Finn's mission to learn Hands-Only CPR. All students who register will receive a free wristband. Classes with the most students registered will win our school's Classroom Challenge: A Game Party!

Here's how you can help:

1. Register: [Click here](#) or download the *AHA Schools* app.
2. Complete Finn's Mission: to learn Hands-Only CPR and the warning signs of stroke. Share with family and friends through social media, text and/or email so they too can learn how to save a life.

## Upcoming Field Trips:

Wednesday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> 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:

Tuesday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>- Demand Writing for all Grades

Wednesday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade field trip to St. Augustine

Friday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>- Kids Heart Challenge Showcase

Monday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>- NO SCHOOL! President's Day

## INFORMATION HIGHWAY -

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

[www.marioncharter.org](http://www.marioncharter.org)

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



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.

# UPDATED MENU



## MCS Lunch Menu -February 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<i>Daily Milk Choices:</i> White 1% Milk Chocolate FF Milk	2 Grilled Cheese Roasted Carrots Mixed Vegetables Fresh Fruit	3 Cheese Taco Casserole Mixed Vegetables Black Beans Fresh Fruit	4 Chicken Sandwich Roasted Vegetables Green Beans Fresh Fruit	5 Chicken & Rice Roll Black Beans Roasted Broccoli Fresh Fruit	6 Cheese Pizza Crunchy Carrots French Fries Fresh Fruit
<i>*Menu options are subject to change without notice*</i>	9 BBQ Chicken Drumstick Macaroni Bites Peas and Corn Fresh Fruit	10 Beef Walking Tacos Cheddar Dip Fiesta Beans Mixed Vegetables Fresh Fruit	11 Chicken Quesadilla Mixed Vegetables Sweet Peppers Fresh Fruit	12 Mandarin Orange Chicken with Noodles Roasted Broccoli Cucumber/Tomato	13 Chicken Nuggets, Roll Crunchy Carrots Green Beans Fresh Fruit
	16 <b>NO SCHOOL!</b> <b>President's Day!</b>	17 Savory Beef Dunkers, Roll Mashed Potatoes Roasted Broccoli Fresh Fruit	18 Tortellini & Sauce Breadstick Mixed Vegetables Green Beans Fresh Fruit	19 Cheeseburger Sweet Peas Roasted Carrots Fresh Fruit	20 Cheese Pizza Crunchy Carrots French Fries Fresh Fruit
	23 Grilled Cheese Roasted Carrots Sweet Peas Fresh Fruit	24 Cheese Taco Casserole Fiesta Beans Mixed Vegetables Fresh Fruit	25 Deli Sandwich Bagged Lunches Fresh Fruit <b>EARLY RELEASE DAY!</b>	26 Chicken & Rice Roll Black Beans Roasted Broccoli Fresh Fruit	27 Cheese Pizza Crunchy Carrots Zucchini Fresh Fruit



OUR SCHOOL-WIDE BREAKDOWN FOR KIDS HEART CHALLENGE

K-2 Teacher	# Registered	Finn's Mission Completed (Tie Breaker)	
Carter	6		
Maldonado	7	1	
Booe	13	3	
Montanez	5		
Amerling	7	1	
Dillingham	9	2	
<b>Winner = Party on 2/18@ 1:15</b>			
<b>3rd-5th Teacher</b>			
Dube	8	2	
Kucharek	7	3	
Crawford	11	5	
Moon	13	6	
Egert	6	2	
Fish	3		
<b>Winner = Party on 2/18@ 1:15</b>			
<b>TOP GRADE LEVEL = NO UNIFORM DAY</b>			
KG	13		
1st	18		
2nd	16		
3rd	15		
4th	24		
5th	9		
Raised as of 2/5: <b>\$3,736.19</b>		GOAL \$10,000	38%
Total Registered: 101		GOAL 125	
Total Finn's Mission completed: 28		GOAL 50	

# **THERE'S STILL TIME LEFT!**

¡AÚN QUEDA TIEMPO!



**SIGN UP TODAY!**  
¡INSCRIBETE HOY!



**COMPLETE FINN'S MISSION!**  
¡COMPLETA LA MISIÓN DE FINN!



**COLLECT DONATIONS!**  
¡RECAUDA DONACIONES!

**HELP KIDS, LIKE AVA, WITH SPECIAL HEARTS BY COLLECTING DONATIONS.**

AYUDA A LOS NIÑOS, COMO AVA, QUE TIENEN CORAZONES ESPECIALES A TRAVÉS DE LA RECAUDACIÓN DE DONACIONES.



The American Heart Association and the National Football League Foundation are working together to get youth physically active.



CBIZ is a proud supporter of the American Heart Association's Kids Heart Challenge.

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# **RAISE MORE. GET MORE!**

¡GANA MÁS. OBTÉN MÁS!

**REGISTER TO EARN YOUR WRISTBAND.**  
REGÍSTRATE EN LÍNEA PARA RECIBIR TU PULSERA.

**EARN THE GIFT AT EACH LEVEL PLUS ALL LOWER LEVELS.**  
GANA EL REGAL EN CADA NIVEL MÁS TODOS LOS DE NIVELES INFERIORES.

**EARN A MYSTERY GIFT FOR EVERY \$50 YOU RAISE!**  
Up to 20 gifts.  
¡GANA UN REGALO MISTERIOSO POR CADA \$50 QUE RECAUDES!  
Hasta 20 regalos.



**\$200 XL RIVER**  
**\$250 XXL ZEB**  
**\$500 HYDRO BOTTLE**  
BOTELLA DE AGUA  
**\$1000 RESCUE BUILD KIT**  
KIT DE CONSTRUCCIÓN DE RESCUE  
**\$200 TURBO**  
**\$75 PLAYGROUND BALL**  
PELOTA DE JUEGOS  
**\$50 T-SHIRT**  
CAMISETA  
**\$5 BEE**  
**\$10 RESCUE**  
**\$15 JUMP ROPE**  
SALTAR LA CUERDA  
**\$25 ASPEN**  
**\$40 PARKER**

**TYSON**  
Survivor, grade 3  
Sobreviviente, tercer grado

**COMPLETE FINN'S MISSION TO EARN YOUR LIFESAVERS CAPE!**  
¡COMPLETA LA MISIÓN DE FINN PARA GANAR TU CAPA DE SALVAVIDAS!

Products are latex free and small parts may pose a risk of being a choking hazard as labeled. If any item becomes unavailable, we reserve the right to offer an alternate item of equal value. These gifts meet the requirements, where applicable, of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act and other product safety regulations.

Los productos no contienen látex y las piezas pequeñas pueden representar un riesgo de asfixia, como se indica en la etiqueta. Si algún artículo deja de estar disponible, nos reservamos el derecho de ofrecer un artículo alternativo de igual valor. Estos obsequios cumplen con los requisitos, cuando correspondan, de la Ley de mejora de la seguridad de los productos de consumo y otras normas de seguridad de los productos.



# Free Autism Testing for all Ages!



## Program

- ✓ Free autism screenings
- ✓ Open to children, teens, & adults
- ✓ No income or insurance required
- ✓ Putnam and adjacent counties

**Schedule today!**

**CALL** ➔ **352-475-3900**

Sponsored by Common Thread International, Inc. at The Melrose Center and the FLDOH through the Cinotti Grant Program in Partnership with UF CARD, and Emmanuel Project.



# ¡Evaluaciones gratuitas de autismo para todas las edades!



## Programa

- ✓ Pruebas gratuitas de autismo
- ✓ Para niños, adolescentes y adultos
- ✓ No se requiere ingreso ni seguro
- ✓ Putnam y condados cercanos

**¡Agenda hoy!**

**LLAMAR** ➔ **352-475-3900**

Patrocinado por Common Thread International, Inc. en el Melrose Center y el FLDOH a través del Programa de Becas Cinotti, en colaboración con UF CARD y Emmanuel Project.



**Humane Society of Marion County**

# SPRING CAMP



**MARCH 16TH-20TH**  
8:00AM-4:00PM

**Admission \$225**

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

**Children in 1st – 5th Grade are  
welcome for camp!**  
Join us as we learn all about  
reptiles, amphibians, mammals,  
aquatic animals, and birds!

**SIGN UP HERE**



**GAMES. ANIMAL INTERACTIONS. MOVIES.**

**MORNING SNACK, LUNCH, AND  
AFTERNOON SNACK WILL BE  
PROVIDED.**

**3001 SW COLLEGE RD  
OCALA, FL**

**Questions? Email: [apritchard@thehsmc.org](mailto:apritchard@thehsmc.org)  
or Call (352)873-7387 ext 205**



# 8 Habits of Healthy Kids<sup>®</sup>

## 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.