



From the Principal....

February 28, 2023

Dear Parents,

I hope you and your family are safe and healthy. On behalf of the MPE teachers and staff, I want to thank you for an amazing Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week earlier this month (Feb. 13-17). Each day we felt appreciated, loved, and very spoiled. Thank you!

Single Subject Acceleration (SSA)

Please read this [document](#) carefully regarding Single Subject Acceleration (SSA). It contains a link to a parent presentation and other pertinent information. The SSA Test Request Window will be open for traditional calendar schools from March 20-24, 2023. We can only accept test requests during this time via paper or the Mills Park electronic forms. The electronic form will not be live until March 20. SSA testing will take place between April 18-May 3.

District Spelling Bee

On Feb. 10th, [Reyansh Joshi](#), MPE's School Spelling Bee Champion, participated in the district spelling bee. I am proud to announce Reyansh came in 3rd place. He competed against 41 other students...many of whom were middle school students. Reyansh moves on to the regional bee in Charlotte this weekend. Congratulations Reyansh! We are so proud of you!

Nourishing Noggins Needs Your Help!

Volunteers are needed to help provide nutritious food through the Nourishing Noggins Program to MPE students and families in need. We have many empty slots through the remainder of the year. Please help us ensure each week is filled. [Click here to find out how you can support our program!](#) [Sign up here](#) to volunteer to pack weekly food bags.

Kids Heart Challenge Update (from Mr. Rood)

I would like to thank everyone for participating in our Kids Heart Challenge event this school year. Our school did an amazing job raising \$8,852.62! All this money goes directly to the American Heart Association to help fight and find ways to cure heart disease. What an amazing thing our Mills Park family did! If your child earned prizes, they should arrive by the time we return from spring break and I will distribute them to the students at that time. Thanks again for all your support for this great cause!



Kindergarten Registration is open for the 2023-2024 School Year

If your child is 5 years old by August 31st, 2023, you can register for kindergarten for the 2023-2024 school year. [Click HERE](#) to go to the Wake County website to access the online application process.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Michael Regan

Principal

<https://www.wcpss.net/millsparkes>

[2022-2023 WCPSS Traditional Calendar](#)

******See below for upcoming events for March 2023******

Upcoming Events for March 2023

- Mar. 1: 3rd Grade Field Trip, Mordecai Historic Park (Pollard, Fischer, Moxley)
- Mar. 2: 3rd Grade Field Trip, Mordecai Historic Park (Schreiber, Murawa, Kist)
- Mar. 7: Teacher Workday, No School for Students
- Mar. 8: 1st Grade Field Trip, Martin Marietta Rock Quarry (Riggsbee & Noble)
- Mar. 9: 1st Grade Field Trip, Martin Marietta Rock Quarry (Ingle & Dowell)
- Mar. 10: 1st Grade Field Trip, Martin Marietta Rock Quarry (Schindler & Bernier)
- Mar. 16: First-in-Fitness Competition, SE Raleigh HS
- Mar. 24: Early Release Day – Students dismiss at 1:45 pm
- Mar. 27: School Spirit Night, Andia’s Ice Cream, 5:00-8:00 pm
- Mar. 28: Spotlight on Student, Board of Education Meeting, 5:30 pm
- Mar. 29: 4th Grade Field Trip, Wilmington, NC
- Mar. 30: End of Quarter 3
- Mar. 30: Spring Individual Pictures
- Mar. 31: Teacher Workday, No School for Students
- Apr. 3-7: Spring Break, No School for Students & Staff