

# MARS AREA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## Important Dates

**March for Mars**  
October 6, 2017

**In Service Day**  
October 9, 2017

**READING LAB MEETING**  
October 13, 2017

**OFFICER PHIL**  
October 19, 2017

**BOOK FAIR**  
October 16-20, 2017

**PICTURE MAKE UP DAY**  
October 26, 2017

**FALL FESTIVAL**  
October 31, 2017 2:00—3:00pm

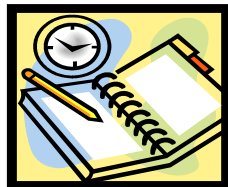
**PARENT CONFERENCES**  
November 9-10, 2017

## MARCH FOR MARS

The Mars Area Elementary March for Mars will be held on Thursday—October 6, 2017. This will also be a Mars Blue and Gold Spirit Day. Students are encouraged to wear their favorite Mars wear or Blue and Gold.



## IN SERVICE DAY



There is no school for students on Monday, October 9, 2017. The faculty and staff will be participating in professional development activities.

## READING LAB PARENT MEETING

A Meeting for parents of students participating in the school Reading Lab will be held on Friday, October 13, 2017. Invitations have been sent out.



## OFFICER PHIL

On Thursday—October 19, 2017, our students will attend the “Officer Phil” assembly. The officer Phil program is sponsored by our local police departments and local businesses. The focus of the program is student safety.



## BOOK FAIR

The PTO sponsored Book Fair will be held October 16-20. PTO will be providing further details.



## HATS FOR HEROES

Schools across the Mars Area School District will participate in the Hats for Heroes fundraiser for the Komen Foundation on Friday, October 20, 2017. More details will follow shortly.



## DISMISSAL

Thank you for your cooperation by sending a note in with your child in the morning if you will be picking them up after school. Remember, telephone calls to the office or stopping in the office to pick up your child after 3:00 PM are only permissible in **extreme emergencies**. This procedure has made dismissal time for the students much less confusing. Also, remember that if your child does not have a note stating otherwise, their normal dismissal routine will be followed.

## PICTURE MAKE UP DAY



Wednesday—October 26, 2017

## FALL FESTIVAL

The Mars Area Elementary School Fall Festival parties will be held on Tuesday—October 31, 2017 from 2:00 PM—3:00 PM.

All classroom parent helpers are to check in at the office for their “reserved” name tag and lanyard.

Remember, **NO** food/drink items are permitted at the party.

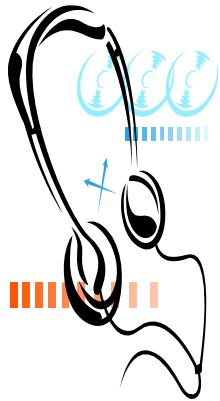


## PARENT CONFERENCES

Parent Conferences will be held on Thursday and Friday—November 9 and 10, 2017. We encourage all parents to attend. Please be sure to return the Conference Reservation forms when they are sent home later this month. We will try our best to accommodate your schedules.



## HEADPHONES / EAR BUDS



There are many times that students use classroom or lab computers while using headphones. We encourage you to send in a set of headphones or ear buds for your child to use. Please send them to school in a sealable plastic bag with your child's name clearly marked.

The school does have a supply of headphones that are used by all students throughout the day, but many parents prefer to have their children use their own.

## SAFETY FIRST

Now that our school year is underway, I have noted several areas of concern that may result in unsafe situations for our students.

Please remember that students being dropped off in the morning are to exit your vehicle on the passenger side. This eliminates the need for the children to cross in front of or behind the car.

Also, please be certain to check lunch money, homework, etc. before pulling up to the drop off.

