



EAGLE NEWS



MRMS Eagles have made it halfway to third base!

Just WOW! Believe it or not, Eagles are now half way through the third nine weeks! Eagles have faced school closings, delays, and sickness!

Interims for the third nine weeks will go home on Tuesday, February 4th. Parent/Teacher Conference Night is Wednesday, February 5th from 4:00-8:00. Teachers have been reaching out to parents for specific student conferences. Please call the school if you would like to have a conference with your child's teachers. Also, parents can request for their student to stay after school for Opportunity School. Opportunity School is available Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays of each week. Opportunity School is a great opportunity for students to stay after school to complete missing assignments to improve grades. Please email your child's teacher or call the school's office to sign your child up for Opportunity School or to request a conference.

MRMS Eagles have been battling the mid-winter sickness! If your child is experiencing coughing, wheezing, runny nose, diarrhea, sore throat, fever over 100.4 degrees, and vomiting, please keep your home from school. **If your child is sick and is absent from school, please call the school office to inform the school of the absent.**

As MRMS Eagles finish the third nine weeks and beat the mid-winter blues, remember this quote: "Each swing, each pitch, is a step closer to greatness." -author unknown. Remember Eagles, each and every attempt at being successful will only lead to greatness!

Frozen Cupid

Dance is February 21st!



Get your boogie shoes on!



The **Frozen Cupid** dance is Friday, February 21st from 6:00-8:00!

There will be concession! Bring extra money for a hot chocolate bar, pizza, glow items, heart glasses, issue paper carnations, and **PICKLES!**

MRMS Eagles LOVE pickles!

Student Recognitions

Players of the Week

for the week of December 9

6th - Bekim Mujovic & Henry Fallon

7th - Kamryn Brunscheen & Jayden Nguyen

Players of the Week

for the week of December 16

6th - Silas Lipscomb & Landon Simmons

7th -Easton Snider & Caleeya Ware

Players of the Week

for the week of January 21

6th - Cody Thomas & Riley Hostetter

7th - Alexis Warren & Sawyer Matheny

8th - Reagan Coleman & Ryan Bumgarner

Players of the Week

for the week of January 27

6th - Audrey Ivins & Bethany Manspile

7th - Chloe Dawson & Liam Shanholtz

8th -Deondre Long & Chloe Cox

Players of the Week

for the week of February 3

6th - Corben McCown & Adrian Noel

7th - Dillion Bowles & Isabella Samsel

8th -Cailey Rae Downs & Michael Riccioni

Sweat + Sacrifice = SUCCESS

SOUPer Bowl Canned Food Drive

It's time to gear up for the Super Bowl! Who are you rooting for? The Eagles or the Chiefs?

We are excited to announce the SOUPer Bowl Canned Food Drive!



Here's how you can get involved:



*Bring in a can of food or any non-perishable item.

*Drop your donation into the box for the team you think is going to win. Will it be the Chiefs or the Eagles team box?

*The drive will run from January 31st through February 7th. Please bring your items to the box near the cafeteria and help us score big for the community!

*All donations will go to the Rockbridge Area Relief Association, helping those in need.

Let's show our school spirit and generosity!



Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

SHOULD MY CHILD STAY HOME FROM SCHOOL?

5 SYMPTOMS TO GIVE YOU CLUES



There will be **NO** YAS or Opportunity School on the following days:

Wednesday, Feb. 5

(Parent/Teacher Conference evening)

Wednesday, Feb. 19

(Early Closing for Staff PD)



What is happening in each grade?!



6th grade

6th graders have been busy since returning from winter break. In English, students have enjoyed learning about, reading, and analyzing poetry. Students have been learning about poetic devices, figurative language, and writing poetry of their own. In Science, 6th graders just finished their unit of study on energy. Students will start their next unit of study on Earth's Resources. In History, students are learning about FDR's New Deal and the Great Depression. Students will also complete a critical thinking project titled, "Is The New Deal A Good Deal". In Math, students have wrapped up learning equations and currently learning about inequalities. In March, students will enjoy Math with March Madness! Students will create a basketball proportions project.

7th grade

Yankees & Red Sox

7th grade students have started reading the memoir of Leon Leyon, author of *The Boy on the Wooden Box*. Students have spent time reading material about The Holocaust in order to build background knowledge about the time period in order to understand the background of the novel. Students will learn through Leon's memoir how people can overcome the impossible. While reading, students will collect text evidence about Leon and how he overcame the impossible. Students are working in collaborative book club groups. After reading the memoir, students will be guided in creating an essay to compare characters from previous novel readings of how individuals can overcome the impossible.

8th grade

Stars & Stripes

Congratulations to Jaclyn Marshall for submitting a poem she wrote called, "When Heaven Holds Its Breath" to the Lexington Women's Club Annual Student Writing Contest. Jaclyn won first prize in the Grade 6-8 poetry category. She was recognized at a ceremony held by the Lexington Women's Club on Tuesday, January 28th. Her poem will now be entered in the district level contest. If she wins there, she could qualify for the state competition. Way to go Jaclyn!

Reminders

- *Be here on time and be prepared daily
- *1st period begins at 8:07 AM & the school day ends at 3:28 PM
- *If your student is absent, please call or send a note. (540-463-3129)
- *If your student is absent, they **cannot** attend extra curricular activities such as dances or sporting events.
- *After 10 absences, a doctor's note will be required.



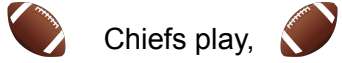


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2025 Super Bowl Prediction

A ballad by Charlotte Hagy (6th grade)



Chiefs play,

It could've been a very good or bad day.

People placing bets on the game,
It was possible NFL history wouldn't be the same.

Patrick Mahomes with all this glaze,
If the Chiefs win, we wouldn't be fazed.

Jalen Hurts throwing dimes all around,
Pat thought he was cooking but ran out of bounds.

Eagles fans going ham with money on the line,
Jurgens tackles Kelce yelling "YAM TIME".
We all know the refs are the Chiefs' best player,
Got the camera on Taylor so much they think she's the mayor.

Refs yell "Flag" because their invading Pat's
personal bubble,

We all know the refs and Pat like to cuddle.

Although this could be just a prediction,
Or it could all just be a work of nonfiction.

Mid-Winter Blues Spirit Days

Feb. 4 **National Sweater Day** - Wear your favorite sweater!



Feb. 5 **World Read Aloud Day** - What is your favorite book?



Feb. 10-14 **National Hero Week Writing Contest** - Write about your "hero". One winner from each grade level will be chosen and the school will pay for their entry into the dance on the 21st. Give your writing to your English teacher and they will submit them to Mrs. Stevens at the end of the day on Feb. 14th.



Feb. 10 **National Flannel Day!** Wear your flannel!



Feb. 12 **Candy Crush** - Guess the number of hearts in the jar that is located in the library and win the jar of candy.



Feb. 14 **Valentine's Day** - Wear pink or red to celebrate Valentine's Day

Feb. 17 **Presidents' Day** - Dress like your favorite President, past or present

Feb. 26 **Levi Strauss Day** - Wear your favorite blue jeans



Believe it or not...
MRMS Eagles are TIRED of SNOW, ICE, AND THE COLD!

MRMS Yearbook

The 2024-2025 MRMS yearbook is on sale now! The cost of a yearbook is \$25 and yearbooks will arrive in May. Please click on the link below to order a yearbook.

<https://www.rockbridge.k12.va.us/MRMS>

Reserve your Eagle's copy!

We do not accept Doordash deliveries for students!

Homework Hotline

MRMS has a Homework Hotline for parents/students to check for daily/weekly homework assignments. Please use the link below to check each grade level daily/weekly homework!

<https://sites.google.com/rcs.rang.k12.va.us/mrms/homework-hotline>

Did You Know?

MRMS Survey Says!!!

*There are many MRMS Eagles rooting for the Kansas City Chiefs to win the Super Bowl. Surprisingly however, a majority of MRMS Eagles do not care who wins the Super Bowl!

*Most MRMS Eagles would prefer to have "lots of chocolate or stuffed animals" for Valentine's Day!

*Many MRMS Eagles predicted that the Groundhog would NOT see its shadow in hope of spring would come early!

Brief Summary of Cell Phone Policy Consequences

1st Offense: Verbal reminder/warning to place device their device away off their person

2nd Offense: Parent/Guardian contacted, device confiscated and held in office, student picks up phone at end of day

3rd Offense: Parent/Guardian contacted, device confiscated and held in office, parent/guardian picks up phone after meeting with administration

4th Offense: Parent/Guardian contacted, device confiscated and held in office, parent/guardian picks up phone after meeting with administration, 30 calendar days prohibited on campus or must check in to office daily.

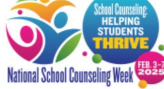
Important Dates to Remember

February

- Feb. 3-7 National School Counselors Week
- Feb. 4 - Interims Go Home
- Feb. 5 - Parent/Teacher Conference Night 4:00-8:00
- Feb. 7 - Teacher Workday
- Feb. 10 - Informational Meeting about Costa Rica
- Feb. 19 - 2 hour early release 1:28
- Feb. 21 - Dance 6:00-8:00



Maury River Middle School School Counseling



Mrs. Montague – Last Names A-K
Ms. Leyna – Last Names L-Z

Helping MRMS Eagles THRIVE

Mrs. Montague & Ms. Leyna are here to help!

Costa Rica



Informational Meeting for the trip to Costa Rica (Cost/Detailed Information)
Monday, February 10th
6:00-7:00 pm in the MRMS Library!



Go Eagles!

SOL Testing Dates!

Mark Calendars



Now!



Below are the dates for Spring SOL testing. Please schedule appointments around these dates. Once a student has started their SOL, students cannot be removed from the testing room to leave. Testing will start each day at 8:30.

April 23 - 8th grade Intergrated Reading and Writing SOL

April 29 - 7th & 8th grade Math SOL AND Algebra I SOL

April 30 - 6th grade Math SOL

May 1st - 7th & 8th grade Reading SOL

May 2nd - 6th grade Reading SOL

May 5th - 7th grade Civics SOL AND 8th grade World Geography SOL

May 7th - 7th grade Science SOL AND 8th grade Earth Science SOL

Every day is a good day at The River!

