

# Madison Highlights and Happenings\*

January 22, 2017

## Kindergarten and First Grade Musicals

Tuesday, January 24

**Kindergarten: “Groundpig Day!” - 6:00 in café**

**Kindergarteners should arrive at 5:40 and meet in the gym.**

**First Grade: “The Lion Sleeps Tonight” - 6:45 in café**

**First Graders should arrive at 6:25 and meet in the gym.**

## First Semester Report Cards

Due to the inclement weather related cancelations and delays, report cards will be delayed by a week. Report cards will be sent home on Friday, February 3, 2017.

## Counselor Corner

Here is the link to Mrs. Druschel’s newsletter.

<https://www.smore.com/c4t6j-counselor-s-corner>

Included:

- Pennies for Patients
- Friendship Group
- Ronald McDonald house pop tab contest
- Classroom guidance lessons

## Upcoming PTA Events

PTA Board Meeting – February 2 at 5:30 in the library.

## Calendar Reminders

Kindergarten (6:00) and First Grade (6:45) Musicals – January 24

Early Dismissal – January 27

Madison Gets New Computers – January 30 and 31

Early Dismissal – February 3

Pennies for Patients – February 6 – 17

Fifth Grade Parent Meeting – Roosevelt Magnet School Information – February 6

Linus Project – February 8

Early Dismissal – February 10

Valentine's Day – February 14

Conferences – February 16

Book Fair – February 15 – 21

Conferences – February 21

No School – February 24

**Every Friday is Early Dismissal at 2:15!**

## Virtual Backpack

**Check out the CRCSD Virtual Backpack for information and opportunities for families. Go to the link below to access information on the events/opportunities listed below.**

<http://webapps.cr.k12.ia.us/virtualbackpack/>

[Co-Parenting Young Children - Event Date: \(2/1/2017 - 3/8/2017\)](#)

[Parenting Young Children with ADHD - Event Date: \(2/16/2017 - 3/9/2017\)](#)

[Child Language Research Study - Event Date: \(1/18/2017 - 5/31/2017\)](#)

[U Iowa Language Learning Study - English-Speaking Children Aged 8-9 - Event Date: \(1/18/2017 - 3/3/2017\)](#)

**\*You can access Madison Highlights at <http://madison.cr.k12.ia.us/>**

*Madison Families,*

We all know a child who dearly loves his or her blanket and carries it everywhere. It might be tattered and torn, a bit frayed around the edges, but to that child, it feels like love. One mother made a blanket for children in a Denver hospital, and Project Linus was born.

You are invited to participate in a Project Linus Community Service event at Madison Elementary School on

Wednesday, February 8, 2017 from 8:45 AM - 3:30 PM. We will be a building of "blanketeers", making colorful and soft fleece blankets for children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need of a blanket they can feel secure with. We will be working in grade level groups, tying layers of fleece together. Later that week, the tied blankets will be taken to a group that inspects and adds labels to each and every blanket, making them official Project Linus blankets!

We have the fleece; we need your help! Please consider coming to spend time with your favorite student, or class, as we work together to help children feel safe and warm. You may sign up for a particular time slot or several time slots! We will need a lot of help!! Our goal is to make at least 22 blankets on February 8<sup>th</sup>! We are encouraging families to invite extended family members (grandparents, aunts and uncles, older siblings) to join us for this project. Please share this invitation with interested family members. If you have a work or church group who might be interested in assisting, have them contact us as well!

Please complete the bottom portion of this form and return by January 25, 2017. We look forward to completing the Linus Project Community Service Event with your help on February 8th.

For more information about Project Linus, visit their website at [www.projectlinus.org](http://www.projectlinus.org)

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I will volunteer for Madison Community Service Project Linus on February 8, 2017! I am available at the following time(s):

8:45 – 10:00 \_\_\_\_ (Mr. Casey's 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)      12:00 – 1:00 \_\_\_\_ (Fourth Grade)      2:30 – 3:30 \_\_\_\_ (Mrs. Mueller's 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)

9:45 – 10:45 \_\_\_\_ (Second Grade)      12:45 – 2:00 \_\_\_\_ (Fifth Grade)      Other time-frame \_\_\_\_\_

10:30 – 11:30 \_\_\_\_ (Kindergarten)      1:45 – 2:40 \_\_\_\_ (First Grade)

My name \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a special student(s) at Madison you want to work with? Their name(s):

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Contact info: Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ or Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to the Madison School Office by January 25 or email Mrs. Suzanne Duthler, Coordinator, at [SKlaasDuthler@cr.k12.ia.us](mailto:SKlaasDuthler@cr.k12.ia.us) or Mr. James Girdner, Principal, at [JGirdner@cr.k12.ia.us](mailto:JGirdner@cr.k12.ia.us) with your available time(s).