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#### **BELL Schedules**

#### 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE

7:50 Doors Open

8:15 - 8:20 Tardy Bell & Announcements

8:20 - 9:54 1st & 5th Block 9:58 - 12:04 2nd & 6th Block

> Lunch A: 10:58 - 11:30 Lunch B: 11:32 - 12:04

20 minute lunch & 10 minute break

12:08 - 1:42 3rd & 7th Block 4th & 8th Block 1:46 - 3:20

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7th Lunch A: 11:58 - 12:28 7th Lunch B: 12:23 - 12:53

8th Lunch A: 12:48 - 1:18

8th Lunch B: 1:12 - 1:42 1:46 - 3:20 4th & 8th Block



- 4 8<sup>th</sup> grade Beta Club meeting
- **5-6** 7th & 8th grade Spinners reward trips
- 11 6<sup>th</sup> grade Beta Club meeting
- 12 Veterans Day program
- 13-15 Fall musical: "Beauty and the Beast"
- 14 FCA meeting
- 17 MMS Spelling Bee
- 20 Progress reports available online
- 24-28 Thanksgiving Break

For a complete list of sporting events, club meetings, holidays and important dates and times, please visit the MMS website, which is updated daily.

#### **MMS RANKED NO. 1** MIDDLE SCHOOL IN STATE

For the second consecutive year, Madison Middle School is ranked the No. 1 middle school in Mississippi, as determined by the Mississippi Department of Education's accountability rankings. Congratulations to our faculty and staff, parents and, most importantly, our students! Go Jags!



#### IS IT A DAY OR B DAY?

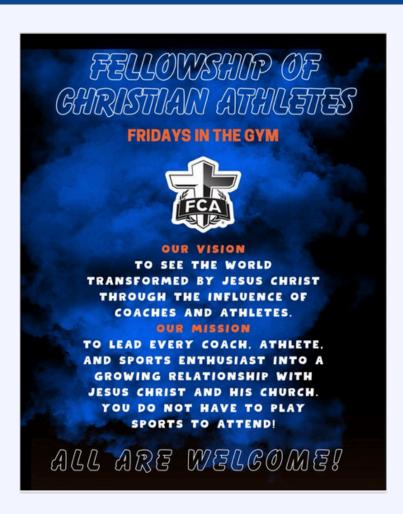
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| 9   | 10<br>B Day | 11<br>A Day     | 12<br>B Day     | 13<br>A Day | 14<br>B Day    | 15 |
| 16  | 17<br>A Day | 18<br>B Day     | 19<br>A Day     | 20<br>B Day | 21<br>A Day    | 22 |
| 23  | 24<br>T H   | 25<br>A N K S G | 26<br>I V I N G | BREA        | 28<br><b>K</b> | 29 |
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| 14  | 15<br>B Day | 16<br>A Day     | 17<br>B Day | 18<br>A Day   | 19<br>B Day | 20 |
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#### DROPPING OFF LUNCH?

Outside lunches brought during the day will be placed on a table in the cafeteria. Students will be responsible for picking it up during their lunch time. Please communicate with them before school so they know to check for their lunch.

If your child is absent, email an excuse note to: mmsattendance@madison-schools.com



#### **JAGS CRUSH FOOD DRIVE GOAL**



MMS went above and beyond in this year's canned food drive, surpassing our original goal of 5,000 cans and collecting an incredible 7,435 items to help those in need. Thank you to everyone who donated to the Mississippi Food Network and made a difference!



#### FALL MUSICAL SLATED FOR NOV. 13-15



#### MMS ROBOTICS TEAM UPDATES

Designing, building, coding and notebooking to create unique robots, more than 180 6th, 7th and 8th-grade students make up the award-winning Madison Middle School 2025-2026 Robotics team.





Three 6th-grade IQ recently competed in their first competition. One team brought home the coveted design award for their notebooking and interviewing skills, along with their performance with their robot.

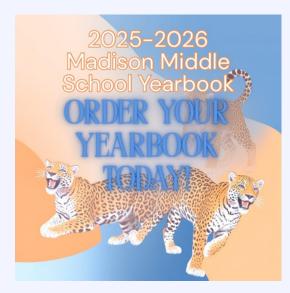




V57th and 8th graders have started using metals. They will be competing this month.



#### YEARBOOKS ON SALE NOW



To order your yearbook, visit www.yearbookforever.com

#### WINTER DANCE SET FOR JAN. 9



#### **LUNCHEON MOVED TO DEC. 2**



The PTO luncheon with the MCSD School Board has been moved to Tuesday, Dec. 2, at noon in the MMS Library. We hope you will be able to join us on this new date.

## **7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE SCIENCE:** FUN IN ACTION

MMS 7th-grade scientists in Mrs. McWilliams' class have been exploring states of matter, density and molecular movement through engaging, hands-on experiments! Their curiosity piqued when they realized that science isn't limited to textbooks—it's something that can be seen, touched, and sometimes even eaten!



Plasma Ball Lab"Electric fun! Students
observed plasma-the 4th
state of matter-and saw
ionized particles light up a
fluorescent bulb."



Dry Ice Lab-

Students observed the movement of molecules and the foggy effects of dry ice sublimating (solid  $\rightarrow$  gas). They were able to make real-world connections with molecules moving fast in gases, flowing in liquids, and vibrating in solids.



Density Layered Juices Lab-Students explored how the arrangement of matter causes liquids of different densities to stack up to form colorful layers.



Coke Float Lab Students identified solids,
liquids and gases while
watching the fizzing reaction
between ice cream and soda.



Oobleck Lab Students investigated a
non-Newtonian fluid,
discovering how it can act
like both a solid and a
liquid depending on the
force applied.







#### **JAGS RUN AWAY WITH WIN**





Congratulations to the MMS Jaguar cross country teams, who made their mark at the state meet on October 14. The girls' team sprinted to a first-place victory, while the boys raced to an impressive second place. It was a strong finish to a season full of heart and hard work, often in tough conditions.

#### **SWIM TEAM EXTENDS CHAMPIONSHIP STREAK**

For the 12th straight year, the Lady Aqua Jags are the state champions, and the boys' team came in a respectable third place. The swim team competed on October 17 at the MHSAA State Championship in Tupelo. Middle school Lady Aqua Jag members include Ava Adams, Elizabeth Crawford, Shea Haas, Ginger Lee, Evie Witcher and Abigail Wong.

Congratulations to our MMS swimmers!

- Elizabeth Crawford was part of the gold medal-winning 200 medley relay team.
- Ginger Lee scored in the 500 freestyle.
- Abigail Wong scored in the 200 individual medley.









#### LADY JAGS SWING TO SECOND PLACE

The Lady Jags golf team finished second at the MHSAA State Championship on October 21. The Lady Jags finished every tournament this season in either first or second place. Middle school team members include Mary Claire Carter, Rosemary McIntosh, Kate Neely and Natalia Waldrop. Congratulations to the team for their success on the greens this season.





#### **GO JAGS! SPIRIT IN ACTION**









Whether at pep rallies or on the sidelines, 7th-grade spirit squad members and 8th-grade cheerleaders put in countless hours of practice and hard work this semester, all in the name of Jag pride!





#### PEP RALLIES



















There is no better way to show school spirit than an MMS pep rally! Loud cheers, friendly spirit stick competitions, and plenty of Jag pride made these events a highlight of the fall semester. From the booming beats of the band to the energetic cheer and dance routines, MMS pep rallies got the whole school fired up!

#### **SERVING UP SUCCESS!**



The Lady Jags volleyball team served up great teamwork and big plays this season. They finished the regular season 7-2 and made it to the semi-finals of the Little 6 Tournament. Way to go!





#### 7TH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

11/3-4:00 - MMS vs. Warren Central 11/10 - 4:00 - MMS vs. Germantown (away) 11/13 - 4:00 - MMS vs. Byram (away) 11/20 - 4:00 - MMS vs. Warren Central (away)

#### 8TH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

11/3 - 6:00 - MMS vs. Warren Central 11/5 - 6:00 - MMS vs. Vicksburg

11/10 -6:00 - MMS vs. Germantown (away)

11/13 - 6:00 - MMS vs. Byram (away)

11/17 - 6:00 - MMS vs. Clinton

11/20 - 6:00 - MMS vs. Warren Central (away)





### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

TO OUR
TEACHERS AND STAFF!

#### October

- 2 Dawn Parrow
- 3 Anna Doyle
- 4 Katie Ellmer
- 5 Lindsey Montgomery
- 10 Mary Everett Little
  - 11 Anna Garletts
  - 15 Robyn Craft
  - 21 Emily Belote
  - 27 Todd Beach
  - 28 April Burrell

#### **November**

- 11 Libby Adams
- 16 Kathy Maze
- 18 Leahbeth Turpin
  - 21 Jennifer Lovitt
- 23 Ashlee Walker
- 26 Kate Boteler
- 30 Hannah Henson

### KEEP IN TOUCH: JOIN THE JAGS ONLINE



PTO: <u>madisonmiddlepto.com</u> School: <u>madisonmiddlejags.org</u>



Madison Middle Jaguars PTO



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@MMSJaguars



#### **MEET OUR FRONT OFFICE STAFF**

My name is **Robin Woody**. This is my 11th year in the office at MMS. My husband Malcolm and I have been married for 30 years and are both from North Carolina. We have four sons who all came through the Jag zone. Jake is in PT school at UMMC; Robbie is in CRNA school at USM; Andy is studying Sound Engineering at MTSU; and Simon is at USM hoping to be a veterinarian. I also have the best daughter-in-law named Anna. I love working at MMS. I work with the best people, and there is never a dull moment in the office.

My name is **Shannon Lowry**. I am starting my fifth year working in the office at Madison Middle. I have four children who attended school In the Jag Zone. My oldest daughter is a nurse at Batson. My oldest son is an engineer and lives in Huntsville, Alabama. They both graduated from the University of Alabama. I have twins who are seniors in college. Our daughter is at the University of Arkansas, and our son is at Mississippi State University. I have been married to my husband Matt for 30 years. We have lived in Madison for 18 years. I was a teacher in the 1990s in Georgia. I stayed at home with my children for 21 years. I love Madison Middle. We have the best staff, administration and PTO.

## TEACHERS AND STAFF TREATED TO LUNCH

The PTO treated all the hardworking teachers and staff to a delicious lunch last month. Thank you to everyone who helped with the event, and most importantly, thank you to all of the school's amazing teachers and staff who make MMS "Mississippi's No. 1 Middle School!"







