

Ubly Elementary Newsletter

March 2025

Ubly Community Schools, an innovative educational environment, in partnership with home and community, is committed to the highest quality education to better prepare students to be successful citizens and lifelong learners.

SPRING PICTURE DAY

Elementary students will be having Spring pictures taken on Tuesday, March 4. All students in the elementary will have their pictures taken. Parents may purchase packages if they wish. There will not be retakes.

MARCH IS READING MONTH

During the month of March, students, and staff at Ubly Elementary will be participating in a variety of Reading related activities with the overall theme of "Buggy About Books."

DAY LIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Do not forget to "Spring Ahead" on March 9.

YOUNG FIVES/KINDERGARTEN PRE-REGISTRATION

The Ubly Elementary School is currently accepting registrations for the Fall of 2025. Be aware that there have been law changes to the Michigan School Code that have changed the minimum age requirements for children enrolling in Y5/Kdg. For the 2025-26 school year, any child who will be five on or by September 1, 2025 is eligible to register. If your child turns five between Sept 1st and Dec. 1st a waiver will need to be signed. To register your child, stop in or call the Ubly Elementary School at 989-658-8202, Ext. 1 anytime during normal school hours.

BOOK FAIR

There will be a Spring Book Fair the week of February 24-28. Books will be available for purchase by students in the Media Center. Please watch your child's newsletter for their specific time and date.

PRESCHOOL

The Preschool registration for the 2025-2026 school year is now open! Apply online at www.greatstarthurton.com/preschool. If you have any questions, please contact Jessy Heilig at (989) 658-8202 option 6.

NEWS FROM THE KITCHEN

Reminder for Young 5's and Kindergarten: Please remember that Snacks are NOT included in the FREE meals being provided. Please make sure your student has money in their Food Service account to purchase snacks.

TRANSPORTATION CHANGES

Please make any changes in your child's transportation by **NOON** the day of the change by calling the office, sending a note with your child, or by emailing your request to dismissal@ublyschools.org.

ABSENCES

Please call, send a note with you child, or email dismissal@ublyschools.org to excuse absences.

KINDERGARTEN SCREENING

An assessment to screen Kindergarten Readiness of incoming students will be conducted in kindergarten classrooms on Friday, April 11. Appointments for these assessments will be scheduled once your registration packet is returned to the office. **There will not be school for current Kindergarten and Young 5 students on April 11.**

**BE RESPECTFUL! BE READY!
BE RESPONSIBLE!**

SIMPLE STRATEGIES FOR CREATING STRONG READERS

- ☛ Invite a child to read with you every day.
- ☛ When reading a book where the print is large, point word by word as you read.
- ☛ Read a child's favorite book over and over again.
- ☛ Read stories with rhyming words and lines that repeat.
- ☛ Discuss new words. For example, "This big house is called a palace. Who do you think lives in a palace?"
- ☛ Stop and ask about the pictures and about what is happening in the story.
- ☛ Read from a variety of children's books, including fairy tales, song books, poems, and information books.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Mar. 4 Spring Picture Day
- Mar. 7 Family Movie Night 6:30PM Old Gym
- Mar. 9 Day Light Savings Time - Spring Ahead
- Mar. 10 P.T.O. Meeting @ 3:30PM
- Mar. 10 School Board Meeting @ 7PM
- Mar. 18 5th/6th Grade Band Concert 7PM Old Gym
- Mar. 19 2nd-Franzel Family Lunch Day
- Mar. 20 2nd-Kidd Family Lunch Day
- Mar. 21 End of 3rd Marking Period
- Mar. 26 2nd-Learman Family Lunch Day
- Mar. 28 Early Dismissal @ 12PM
- Mar. 31-Apr. 4 No School – SPRING BREAK
- Apr. 7 School Resumes
- Apr. 11 No School for Y-5 and Kdg. Students
- Apr. 11 Testing for Incoming Y-5 and Kdg. Students

♣ Happy St. Patrick's Day ♣