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### Direct Dialog

I, for one, am glad that February is coming to a close...It seems that Old Man Winter and Mother Nature have been in a foul moods for months now! But stay strong, spring is just around the corner! March actually is "Madness" for MYSB, but it is the fun kind of madness that helps pass the time & get us closer to warmer temps! We have tons of good stuff happening this month, and we are excited to get going with all the things that help the long month of March fly by.

Please join us in our first NOMORE.ORG Week... MYSB is committed to joining the battle against mean behavior & hurtful words! We CAN make a difference together!

Of course we absolutely must keep up our tradition of the infamous **Shamrock Shakes** on Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup>.....The kids really enjoy it and occasionally we have a few surprise guests stop by on this day as well! It can be easy being **GREEN!**You don't have to be Irish to celebrate in all the fun!

#### Happy St. Patty's Day!

Be ready for "Kick Butts Day" on March 19<sup>th</sup> and join MYSB as we partner with our prevention buddies from SERAC in providing education about the effects of tobacco products.

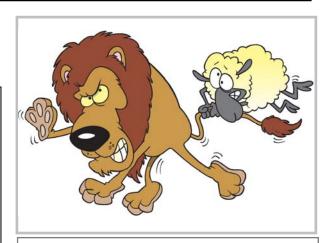
The fun continues Monday March 23rd with our 12th Annual March Madness Tournament! It is very popular event which allows the kids in our after school program to engage in healthy competition and build self-esteem while also learning the importance of good sportsmanship skills!

See inside for further details.

April promises to be just as busy, so be ready for more fun to come! In the meantime, stay healthy, be safe, and chant the word "spring" daily. Have a Magnificent March!

~ Warm regards ~





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Remember to stay tuned to Channel 22, The Youth Scoop, the Montville Events Magazine, our website: www.montvilleyouth.org and our Facebook page for updated program, service & event information, or give us a call at 848-7724 to speak with a staff member. We will be happy to assist you in any way we can!

# The Need To Know

# 12th Annual MYSB March Madness Tournament

Monday, March 23rd - Thursday, March 26th

All Elementary Events will begin at 4:00pm.

\*\*Parents- Please be aware that events may run until 5:30, if your child is participating in an event, please make sure you allow them time to finish the event.\*\*

<u>SPORTSMANSHIP</u> is <u>REQUIRED</u> for everyone who participates. You must sign up in order to participate.

See sign in table for postcards with schedule or see staff.

SHAMROCK SHAKES

Tuesday, March 17th

Join MYSB for our Famous Shamrock Shakes!

(Vanilla Ice Cream, food coloring, & whipped cream.)

Wear your green and you just might get a cool prize!!

Be on the lookout for special guests! You never know who might surprise us!

## KICKBUTTSDAY2015

Wednesday, March 19th

MYSB will be hosting its 8th Annual Kick Butts Day Event with the Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids Program during the ASP. The purpose of Kick Butts Day is to raise awareness about the dangers of smoking cigarettes, e-cigarettes and smokeless tobacco.

This program is open to all who want to participate, but is not mandatory.

Please see Kim or Barb with any questions.

#### **Mark Your Calendars!**

Monday, March 2nd- Staff Development- No ASP- Office Hours Only Friday, March 13th- Tyl Middle School Half Day- Close at 6pm Friday, March 20th- Half Day of School- Close at 5:30pm Friday, April 3rd- Closed- Good Friday April 13th- 17th- Office Hours Only- Spring Vacation!

### ~BITS & PIECES~

# Penny Drive 2015

Help us make things less "RUFF" for our furry friends at Montville Animal Control!! So "scratch" up some change and help us make a "change" for the better for MAC!!

Drop your pennies (& other loose change) off at Town Hall, Youth Services, Senior Center & businesses around town until May 1st! Contact MYSB at 860.848.7724 with any questions!

### Kid of the Month February 2015 Abrielle Ayala



Abrielle Ayala is in her second year of the ASP and quickly became one of our shining stars!! Abrielle is anything but the quiet girl she was when she started last year! She is outgoing, friendly and has a huge heart! When Abrielle isn't getting her homework done, she can be found hanging out with friends, playing board games and being a goofball! She's friends with everyone and always makes sure to include all her peers in on the fun! She is also a fierce big sister!

Abrielle is polite and respectful and always willing to help any of the staff with anything they ask! We are so happy that Abrielle is part of our ASP Family!

Keep up the great work, girl!!

### @Happy March Birthdays @



Kanye McClellan -1st Christopher Jaskiewicz, Jr -11th Camren Topkin -17th



## March 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Center	2 Office Hours	3 ASP	4 ASP	5 ASP	6 ASP	7 Center
Closed	8-4:30 pm	2:30-6	2:30-6	2:30-6	2:30-6	Closed
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Center	ASP	ASP	ASP	ASP	ASP	Center
Closed	2:30-6	2:30-6	2:30-6	2:30-6	2:30-6	Closed
				Advisory	Half Day	
				Board 6pm	Tyl ONLY!	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Center	ASP	ASP	ASP	ASP	ASP	Center
Closed	2:30-6	2:30-6	2:30-6	2:30-6	Half Day of School Close @ 5:30	Closed
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Center	ASP	ASP	ASP	ASP	ASP	Center
Closed	2:30-6	2:30-6	2:30-6	2:30-6	2:30-6	Closed
29	30	31		<b>⊜</b> March	Shamrock	
Center Closed	ASP 2:30-6	ASP 2:30-6		Madness Tournament	Shakes	



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