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Thurgood Marshall Middle School's Official Newsletter

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Ethan Scales poses with Ms. White-Butler as he shows off his Día de Muertos project

Marshall Library Monthly Focus

Each month Ms. Long, our librarian, and Ms. Davis, our library clerk, organize special displays with books and artifacts that honor a national holiday or relevant event. This month the Library is honoring Native Americans and veterans. Did you know that November was first designated as Native American Heritage Month by President George H. W. Bush in 1990? To learn more about Native American history, culture, and contributions, please take a moment to browse the TMMS library for relevant books, magazines, and online information.

This upcoming Monday, November 11 is Veterans day, so we will not have school. Did you know that our own 7th grade science teacher Mr. Legere is an Air Force veteran? To help students better appreciate the sacrifice of our military veterans and families, the library has a variety of books and a special display honoring our veterans.



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Marshall Faculty & Staff Spotlight

This week we would like to introduce you to Ms. Mary Davis our library clerk. Ms. Davis is a veteran teacher who is looking to become a full-time Library Media Specialist. As a Trevecca graduate student in the Library and Information Science program, she wanted the opportunity to learn on the job and felt working with Ms. Long would be a great opportunity to do so. Ms. Davis has jumped in and embraced the students and staff at Marshall, and she tag teams with Ms. Long to make the library a welcoming place for all.

IMPORTANT DATES & INFO

- **Parent Teacher Conference Day**- Parent Teacher Conference Day will be next Friday November 8th. There will be no school for students. Teachers will be reaching out to parents with details on how to set up a conference. Feel free to contact your child's teacher for more information
- **Veteran's Day**- Monday November 11 is Veteran's Day. There will be No school for students and staff. We hope you enjoy the long weekend with your family!

Calling All Parents

We are looking to restart our Marshall Parent Organization (PTO/PTA). As one of the largest and most diverse middle schools in Nashville, we would also like to have the largest, most diverse, and most active parent organization in the city! If you are interested in assisting, please click on the [link](#) to take our [Parent Organization survey](#) by this Friday November 8th.

<http://bit.ly/MarshallParentOrganization>

Safe for ALL Students & Families

The highest priority at Marshall is to provide a safe learning environment for all students. Recently, US Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents have been active in the Nashville area. **Marshall would like to make sure that our families know that schools, bus stops, and places of worship are classified as “sensitive locations” by ICE. These locations are not used for enforcement activities such as arrests, interviews, and searches except in extreme circumstances.**

You can find out more about this policy by following this [link](#). We also want our families to know that they have a say in how and when their personal information is shared with outside agencies. **According to a federal law called FERPA, your family’s information may only be shared outside the school system with your permission** except in certain specific circumstances. **Marshall is committed to being a safe place for all students to learn and for all parents to be involved in their children’s education.**



Ms. Davis preparing a shelf of graphic novels which are popular with our students.



7th grade students participate in tree planting ceremony to honor Jayden Taylor



Mr. Croom (left) and Mr. Nichols (right) help students unlock their vocal and instrumental potential!