

Principal's November Newsletter



Parent Conferences

Parent conferences will take place on November 11, 2009 and November 12, 2009. On both days, we will have early release for our students at 12:35 pm. Please make sure that you have a scheduled conference with your child's teacher. Listed below are things to remember when conferencing with your child's teacher.

- Come prepared with questions to ask about your child's academic and social progress.
- Respect time limits. Please make sure that you are on time for the conference and that the conference ends on time.
- Avoid lengthy discussions of topics that are not related to the purpose of the conference.
- Work in partnership with the teacher to make positive decisions for your child.

Middle School Application Packets

Applications for 5th grade students interested in applying to the Magnet Program (Humanities and Communication and/or Mathematics, Science, or Computer Science) at Roberto Clemente Middle School are due November 9, 2009. If you need an application or have questions, please contact our guidance counselor Mrs. Fern Miller.

The Elementary Center Program for the Highly Gifted Application Process

Applications for the Elementary Centers for the Highly Gifted (HGC) were mailed directly to all parents of Grade 3 students in Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS). **This is a reminder that if you are interested in having your child considered for the HGC, you must complete the application and return it by November 9, 2009, to:**

HGC Application
Division of Consortia Choice and Application Program Services
11721 Kemp Mill Road
Silver Spring, Maryland 20902

Flu Information (H1N1 and Seasonal Flu)

Flu information can be obtained by accessing the websites listed below. Additionally, please check your child's Thursday folder for letters from Montgomery County Public Schools and the Health Department which are sent home on a periodic basis. You can also call the county flu hotline at 240-777-4200.

<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/emergency/h1n1/>
http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgtmpl.asp?url=/content/exec/swine_flu/index.asp

Recess

As the weather becomes colder, please make sure that your child has appropriate clothing to go outside for recess. As long as the temperature is thirty-two degrees or above, the students will be outside for recess.

Safety Reminders

Thank you for adhering to the safety reminders in the last newsletter. We are still having difficulty with cars parking in the handicapped parking spots without the appropriate identification. Please make sure that you only park in these spots if you have the appropriate stickers. Additionally cars should not be double parked at dismissal. This prevents cars from being able to exit our parking lot. Thank you for your attention to these important safety concerns.

November Calendar of Events

Nov. 2	No School for Students, Professional Day
Nov. 3	PTA Meeting, 6:30
Nov. 5	Pre-K/HS Parent Meeting, 9:30 a.m.
Nov. 6	PTA Movie Night
Nov. 11	Report Card Distribution
Nov. 11-12	Early Release Days, 12:35 p.m. Parent Conferences, No Head Start/Pre-K Classes
Nov. 18	Grade 2 Field Trip to Strathmore Music Center, 11:10 – 1:50
Nov. 19	Head Start/Pre-K Parent Meeting, 9:30
Nov. 20	Awards Assembly, 9:00
Nov. 25	Early Release Day, 12:35 p.m., Thanksgiving Holiday
Nov. 26-27	No School, Thanksgiving Holiday