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		<b>Jamila Denney</b> Assistant Principal

### **Clopper Mill Elementary School’s Mission Statement**

*The students, staff, parents, and community of Clopper Mill Elementary School will work collaboratively to provide a safe, respectful, and nurturing learning environment for all students. We will motivate students to achieve at high levels by providing challenging instruction and a quality education.*

**Where All Means “ALL”!**

### **NEXT WEEK AT CLOPPER MILL LA PRÓXIMA SEMANA EN CLOPPER MILL**

#### **MONDAY/ *Lunes***

10/1 4:00-5:00 p.m. Running and Lego Clubs

#### **TUESDAY/ *Martes***

10/2 4:00-5:00 p.m. Tae Kwon Do Club  
7:00 p.m. *PTA Meeting/Reunión del PTA*

#### **WEDNESDAY/ *Miercoles***

10/3 4:00-5:00 p.m. Arts & Crafts and Tennis Clubs

#### **THURSDAY/ *Jueves***

10/4 4:00-5:00 p.m. Soccer Club

#### **FRIDAY/ *Viernes***

10/5 **1:20 p.m. Early Release Day**  
**No Clubs**

### **LOOKING AHEAD**

**Mirando Adelante**

- 10/8 *ABC/MVP Lunches/Almuerzos ABC/MVP*  
**9:35 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Columbus Day Open House/Casa abierta del día de Colón**  
*Interims Go Home*  
4:00-5:00 p.m. Running and Lego Clubs
- 10/9 9:30-10:30 a.m. *PreK Parent Meeting – AP Room/Reunión de padres de PreK - Cafetería*  
4:00-5:00 p.m. Tae Kwon Do Club
- 10/10 4:00-5:00 p.m. Arts & Crafts and Tennis Clubs
- 10/11 ***No Classes for Head Start and Pre-K+/No hay clases para PreK+ y Headstart***  
4:00-5:00 p.m. Soccer Club
- 10/12 4:00-5:00 p.m. Basketball Club
- 10/15 4:00-5:00 p.m. Running and Lego Clubs



- 10/16 4:00-5:00 p.m. Tae Kwon Do Club
- 10/17 *Fall Student Portraits Taken/Retratos de estudiantes de otoño*  
4:00-5:00 p.m. Arts & Crafts and Tennis Clubs
- 10/18 Grade 5 Field trip to Mt. Vernon  
4:00-5:00 p.m. Soccer Club
- 10/19 ***Come Out and Play Day!;/ Día de Sal y Juega***  
4:00-5:00 p.m. Basketball Club  
***6:30 p.m. Pizza Bingo Night/PTA Noche de Bingo***
- 10/22 4:00-5:00 p.m. Running and Lego Clubs
- 10/23 4:00-5:00 p.m. Tae Kwon Do Club
- 10/24 *Grade 5 Field Trip to Strathmore Concert/Concierto De Grado 5 En Strathmore*  
4:00-5:00 p.m. Arts & Crafts and Tennis Clubs
- 10/25 4:00-5:00 p.m. Soccer Club
- 10/26 4:00-5:00 p.m. Basketball Club
- 10/29 *Smile Dentist is Here!*  
4:00-5:00 p.m. **Last Day of Session I** Running and Lego Clubs  
4:00-5:00 p.m. **Último día de la sesión I** del Club de Correr y Club de Legos
- 10/30 4:00-5:00 p.m. Tae Kwon Do Club
- 10/31 *Smile Dentist is Here!*  
2:30 p.m. *Costume Parade – Followed by Fall Festival Celebrations*  
2:30 p.m. *Festival de otoño*  
4:00-5:00 p.m. **Last Day of Session I** Arts & Crafts and Tennis Clubs  
4:00-5:00 p.m. **Último día de la sesión I** Club de arte y club de tenis

### **FREE AND REDUCED MEAL FORMS/APPLICATION**

Each family should have received a Free and Reduced Meal Form/Application. These forms/applications need to be returned only if you are applying for Free or Reduced Meals. If your child received free or a reduced payment meal last year, you must reapply. These students will continue to receive free or reduced meals only **until October 1** unless they are re-approved this year. All applications must be returned ASAP. You can also apply online using this link - <https://www.myschoolapps.com/>.

### **FORMAS DE COMIDAS LIBRES Y REDUCIDAS / SOLICITUD**

Cada familia debe haber recibido una Forma/Aplicación de Comida Gratis o Reducida. Estos formularios/solicitudes deben ser devueltos solamente si usted está solicitando comidas gratis o reducidas. Si su hijo recibió una comida gratis o de pago reducido el año pasado, debe volver a solicitarla. Estos estudiantes continuarán recibiendo comidas gratis o reducidas hasta el 1 de octubre a menos que sean aprobadas de nuevo este año. Todas las solicitudes deben ser devueltos los mas pronto posible. También puede aplicar en línea usando este enlace: <https://www.myschoolapps.com/>.

### **CMES NAACP PARENTS COUNCIL MEETING**

***Tuesday Oct 2, 2018, 6:30pm***

Please join us in the Clopper Mill media center to discuss how we can empower parents, guardians and students on educational issues, educate parents to be effective advocates for their children and promote parental involvement.

We aim to collaborate with the PTA and MCPS in developing strategies to close the achievement gap, provide outreach to parents & students, while providing a forum for information exchange.

## **CMES REUNIÓN DEL CONSEJO DE PADRES DE NAACP**

*Martes 2 de octubre de 2018 a las 6:30 p.m.*

Únase con nosotros en la librería de Clopper Mill para hablar sobre cómo podemos empoderar a los padres, tutores y estudiantes sobre cuestiones educativas, educar a los padres para que sean defensores eficaces de sus hijos y promover la participación de los padres. Nuestro objetivo es colaborar con el PTA y MCPS en el desarrollo de estrategias para cerrar la brecha de rendimiento, proporcionar alcance a los padres y estudiantes, al tiempo que proporciona un intercambio de información para los padres/guardianes.

## **DADS AND DONUTS**

Thank you to our wonderful PTA and parent volunteers for organizing an outstanding Dads & Donuts event. We had a great turnout of dads, grandfathers, and other males in the lives of our students. We appreciate all of the dads who attended. Your children loved you being with them for the morning.

## **PAPAS Y DONUTS**

Gracias a nuestra maravillosa PTA ya los padres voluntarios por organizar un excepcional Papas Y Donuts evento. Tuvimos una gran participación de papás, abuelos y otros hombres en la vida de nuestros estudiantes. Apreciamos a todos los papás que asistieron. A sus hijos les encantó estar con ellos por la mañana.

## **INTERIM REPORTS**

Every student will receive an interim progress report on each of the mid-quarter report card dates. First marking period interim reports will be distributed on **Monday, October 8**.

## **INFORMES PROVISIONALES**

Cada estudiante recibirá un informe provisional sobre cada fecha de reporte de medio trimestre. Informes provisionales será distribuida el **lunes 8 de octubre**.

## **COLUMBUS DAY - OPEN HOUSE**

Mark your calendar! Our Parent Visitation Day/Open House is scheduled on Columbus Day, **Monday, October 8**. Parents/grandparents are invited to visit their children's classrooms from **9:35 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

## **DÍA DE COLON - CASA ABIERTA**

¡Marca su calendario! Nuestro Día de Visitación para Padres/Casa Abierta está programado para el Día de Colón, el lunes 8 de octubre. Los padres/abuelos están invitados a visitar las aulas de sus hijo/a de 9:35 a.m.-12: 00 p.m.

## **EARLY RELEASE DAY**

Our first early release day is scheduled for **Friday, October 5**. Students are dismissed from school at **1:20 p.m.** Please make sure your child is aware of this change and, if you are altering his/her transportation home, please make sure his/her teacher and the office are aware of this change.

### **SALIDA TEMPRANA**

Nuestro primer día de salida temprana está programada para el **viernes, 5 de octubre**. Los estudiantes son despedidos de la escuela a las **1:20**. Por favor, asegúrese de que su hijo es consciente de este cambio y, si están alterando su modo de transporte, por favor asegúrese de que su maestro/a y la oficina son conscientes de este cambio. *Los estudiantes de Pre-K son despedidos a las 10:50. No hay Pre-K en la tarde los días que salimos temprano.*

### **INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PICTURES**

Mark your calendars and practice those “smiles”! Our students will have their **individual school pictures** taken on **Wednesday, October 17**. More information will be distributed a couple of days prior to this date.

### **FOTOS INDIVIDUALES DE LOS ESTUDIANTES**

¡Marque sus calendarios y practica esas "sonrisas"! Nuestros alumnos tendrán sus **fotos individuales** tomadas el **miércoles, 17 de octubre**. Más información será distribuida unos días antes de esta fecha.

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL MAGNET PROGRAM**

The Upcounty Middle School Magnet Program for students whose needs are best met with enriched and accelerated courses of study is hosting an informational meeting for interested Grade 5 families at Gaithersburg High School on **October 15, at 7:00 p.m.**, for the *Humanities and Communication* program at *Martin Luther King Jr. MS*, and the *Math, Science, Computer Science* program at *Roberto Clemente MS*.

### **PROGRAMA MAGNET DE LA ESCUELA INTERMEDIA**

El Programa Upcounty Middle School Magnet Program es para estudiantes con necesidades que se satisfacen mejor con cursos de estudio enriquecidos y acelerados, van a tener una reunión informativa para familias interesadas de Grado 5 en Gaithersburg High School el 15 de octubre, a las 7:00 p. m., para el programa de humanidades y comunicación en Martin Luther King Jr. MS, y el programa de Matemáticas, Ciencias, Ciencias de la Computación en Roberto Clemente MS.

### **GRADE 5 CONCERT AT STRATHMORE**

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) once again is pleased to offer the opportunity for all Grade 5 students to attend the Student Concerts presented this year by Strathmore Artists in Residence Blues Band on **Wednesday, October 24, 2017** at The Music Center at Strathmore. This program gives our students exposure to the wonderful world of jazz and blues music in a concert hall setting. Our goal is to inspire a love and appreciation of music and the arts at a young age that will grow and develop over a lifetime. MCPS is able to provide these concerts at no cost to families.

Students may only attend these performances in the company of their school. For safety reasons, parents may not drop off or pick student up from The Music Center at Strathmore.

This program aligns with and complements the Maryland State Curriculum for Elementary Music and the National Standards for Music Education by providing students an opportunity to listen and respond to music and to demonstrate understanding through visual representation, verbal description, and movement. Students develop an understanding that music is an essential aspect of history and human experience.

### **CONCIERTO DE GRADO 5 EN STRATHMORE**

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) una vez más se complace en ofrecer la oportunidad a todos los estudiantes del 5° grado de asistir a los conciertos presentados este año por Strathmore Artists in Residence Blues Band **en miércoles, 24 de octubre de 2017** en el Centro de Música en Strathmore. Este programa ofrece a los estudiantes una maravillosa exposición al mundo de la música jazz y blues en salas de conciertos.

Nuestra meta es inspirar el amor y la apreciación de la música y de las artes a una temprana edad, para que crezca y se desarrolle durante toda una vida. MCPS puede ofrecer estos conciertos sin cobrar nada a las familias.

Los estudiantes sólo podrán asistir a los conciertos acompañados por sus escuelas. Por razones de seguridad, los padres no podrán ni dejar ni recoger a sus hijos al Centro de Música en Strathmore.

Este programa se alinea con y complementa el Maryland State Curriculum for Elementary Music y los National Standards for Music Education al brindarles a los estudiantes la oportunidad de escuchar y responder a la música, y de demostrar comprensión a través de la representación visual, la descripción verbal y el movimiento. Los estudiantes desarrollan el entendimiento que la música es un aspecto esencial de la historia y la experiencia humana.

# Clopper Mill Specialists Newsletter September 2018

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## LOOKING FORWARD TO AN EXCITING YEAR

The specialist team is excited to get the 2018-2019 school year started! Each month we will be sending home a newsletter updating you with news and information about our programs. In this issue you will learn a bit about what your students will be doing in our classes.

## Music

In music class, students are exploring playing classroom instruments, such as woodblocks, hand drums, triangles, guiros, and xylophones. In grades PreK, K, 1, and 2 they are working on keeping the steady beat through movement and on instruments. In 3-5 they are playing ostinato patterns and chordal accompaniments. Students are also working on singing in tune across the grades. In third grade enrichment, Ms. Shell's class will explore popular songs like "The Cup Song" and color-coded pitch notation with instruments, like boomwhackers and glockenspiels. In 4<sup>th</sup> grade enrichment, Ms. Smith's class is also learning "The Cup Song" as a rhythm practice and will explore African drumming and drum circles.

## MEET THE TEAM

### *Art*

Pat Williams    Alexi Rados

### *Media*

John Spano    Nadia Amleh

### *Music*

Allison Moses

Alexander Kirby    David Spitzberg

### *Physical Education*

Bob Ryder    John LaRocca

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus began on Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. Rehearsals are scheduled during the school day, so all students can be included and learn the music. The performance will be held in a joint concert with the band & orchestra on Wednesday, December 12, 2018 in the All Purpose Room. More information will be sent home closer to the concert date.



# Physical Education

Our first week in Physical Education includes safety reminders, rules and procedures. Objectives for all grade levels in September and October include teaching your child about good sportsmanship, cooperation, moving safely and teamwork. Movement skills for Grades K, 1, and 2 include spatial awareness and basic locomotor movements (skip, hop, gallop, slide, run and walk). Movement skills for Grades 3, 4, and 5 include: Demonstrate dribbling and shooting a basketball with hands at various levels, speed, and space.

Your child is expected to come to P.E. class prepared to participate. That includes wearing appropriate foot wear. Please have your child wear appropriate footwear for his/her safety. Sneakers should cover the entire foot and tied properly. If your child is wearing sandals, crocs or dress shoes please remember to pack his/her sneakers in his/her backpack. Please teach your child how to correctly tie their shoelaces.

## Art

In art, the students spent the first week reviewing art expectations, getting assigned seats and labeling their folder and journal.

This school year, we have a new part-time art specialist, Ms. Rados. She will be here on Fridays. Welcome, Ms. Rados!

Primary grades will be learning to use art materials safely and perfecting their skills in cutting, gluing, coloring, tracing and painting as they learn the elements of art.

3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be working on totem poles, persuasive poster designs, and drawing pictures that tells a story.

Parents, if you have any fabric scraps, yarn, glitter, magazines, and/or size extra large t-shirts, please send these items to Mrs. Williams in the art room.

## Media

All students at all grade levels spent the first week of school getting to know Mr. Spano and reviewing rules and procedures for the Media Center. During the 2nd week of school all students had their first opportunity to check out a book from the Media Center.

For book check out students in Kindergarten and 1st grade are allowed to check out 1 book at a time, and all other grades are permitted to check out 2 books at a time. Students are reminded to please return or renew all books by the due date stamped on the back of the book. Students in grades Kindergarten and 1st grade have been reviewing book care rules and the different parts of the book.

This year we have an online library where students can check out books anytime and read on any device. To try this online library, visit the website below and type in the username and password.

<http://www.mycapstonelibrary.com>

**Username:** cloppermilles

**Password:** books



**Montgomery County Public Schools  
Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)**

***Attention Parents/Guardians of Students  
with Special Needs***

Please attend our SEAC meetings held at:

Carver Educational Services Center

850 Hungerford Drive (North entrance)

Rockville, Maryland 20850

**7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.**

September 27, 2018 ..... Auditorium  
October 25, 2018..... Room 134  
December 20, 2018\* ..... Auditorium  
January 24, 2019 ..... Room 134

February 28, 2019 .....Auditorium  
March 28, 2019 .....Auditorium  
April 25, 2019 .....Auditorium  
May 23, 2019 .....Auditorium

- Connect with other parents/guardians of students with special needs
- Dialogue with special education administrators
- Learn about topics of interest
- Child care is available during the meetings

**For more information, visit our website at:**

*[www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/special-education/seac/](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/special-education/seac/)*

*\*Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Jack R. Smith tentatively scheduled to attend.*





Montgomery County Public Schools  
Comité de Asesoramiento de Educación

***Atención Padres/Apoderados de Estudiantes  
con Necesidades Especiales***

Por favor asistan a nuestras reuniones de SEAC,  
que se llevan a cabo en:

Carver Educational Services Center  
850 Hungerford Drive (Entrada Norte)  
Rockville, Maryland 20850

**7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.**

27 de septiembre, 2018 ..... Auditorio  
25 de octubre, 2018 ..... Sala 134  
20 de diciembre, 2018\* ..... Auditorio  
24 de enero, 2019 ..... Sala 134

28 de febrero, 2019 ..... Auditorio  
28 de marzo, 2019 ..... Auditorio  
25 de abril, 2019 ..... Auditorio  
23 de mayo, 2019 ..... Auditorio

- Conéctese con otros padres/madres/apoderados de estudiantes con necesidades especiales
- Dialogue con administradores de educación especial
- Infórmese sobre temas de interés
- Durante las reuniones hay cuidado infantil disponible

**Para más información, visite nuestra página de Internet en:**

*[www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/special-education/seac/](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/special-education/seac/)*

*\*El Superintendente, Dr. Jack R. Smith, tentativamente tiene programado asistir a la reunión.*

