

Montgomery Knolls Elementary School

"Where Learning Is Magic!"



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PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER, #5

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Calendar of Events

November, 2011

Thursday & Friday

November 10th & 11th

Early Release (12:35p.m.)

Parent – Teacher Conferences

Wednesday, November 16th

- Family Literacy Night, 6:30-8:00 p.m., Children & Parents Invited
- 2nd Grade Field Trip to Strathmore Concert Hall, 9:30am

Wednesday, November 23rd

Early Release (12:35p.m.)

Thursday & Friday

November 25th & 26th

NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving Holiday

Tuesday, November 29th

2nd Grade Field Trip to Imagination Stage
9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 30th

Silly Hair Day

December, 2011

Friday, December 2nd

MKES Movie Night sponsored by the PTA,
7-8:30 p.m., Children & Parents Invited

Tuesday, December 6th

PTA Meeting, 7-8 p.m. at MKES

Dear Montgomery Knolls Families,

Last Saturday, some of our students, parents and staff attended a Trick or Treat event at the White House in Washington, DC! We were notified at the last minute that MKES was one of two schools in MCPS selected to attend this event, but were only given 150 tickets to distribute. Also, we only had one day to confirm who could attend and get specific confidential information for each child and adult attending. So, the tickets were evenly distributed amongst the grade levels and staff. Then, the students' names were placed in a bucket and randomly selected at each grade level, PK-2, to determine who was selected to attend the event. The same process was used to select staff too. During the event we were given 15 minutes to take pictures and greet staff members from the white house that were dressed in costumes. Pictures will be posted on our school's website soon.

Second, last week you should have received a flier that listed all of our family events that have been scheduled for the entire school year. The dates were correct, but unfortunately, the flier listed the incorrect start and end times for these events. No worries though! ☺ A flier with specific details about each event, including the start and ending times will be sent home prior to each event.

Third, as you know, parent/teacher conferences are scheduled for Thursday, November 10th, and Friday, November 11th. If you have not scheduled a time to meet with your child's teacher, please do so as soon as possible. The parent/teacher conferences are extremely important since they allow for an exchange of information on your child's academic performance, social skills, the school program and expectations, and offer suggestions on how parents can help at home. If you would like further information, please contact your child's teacher.

Finally, last week a flier was sent home informing you about the sale of school spirit wear. If you are interested in purchasing any of the items, please be sure to complete the order form and return it to school along with the money by Friday, November 11th. Your order will be placed in the PTA mailbox.

Sincerely,
Deann M. Collins
Principal

THE BOOK FAIR IS COMING!

Our first Book Fair of the year is coming to MKES on Nov. 24th, which is preview day for the students. The sale will officially begin on Nov. 28th to Dec. 2nd. Students will bring home their "wish list" and a student order form. Please remember to add 6% Maryland Sales Tax to all orders.

*****WANT TO HELP US RAISE MONEY?*****

Then, please send us your Box Tops! Box Tops may be found on products with the following labels: Cottonelle, Huggies, Betty Crocker products, Juicy Juice, General Mills Cereals, Kleenex, Scott Paper Products, Viva paper towers, Old El Paso, Pillsbury, Yoplait, Ziploc and Hefty. The more box tops you send in, the more money our school will receive.

Also, if you sign into boxtops4education.com/earn/marketplace, Montgomery Knolls Elementary can earn box tops on sales, i.e. Oriental Trading, 1-800-Flowers.com and Lands End. Many other retailers are listed on the website too.