

Olney Flyer

Principal's Newsletter

THE PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER FOR OLNEY PARENTS

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Mission Statement

The parents, staff and students of Olney Elementary School will work as a team to become life –long learners and productive citizens. By putting forth our best effort we will strive to create an environment of mutual respect and academic challenge.

A Message from Mrs. Glawe

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Happy New Year to all! Welcome to 2018. I hope you and your family had a wonderful and restful winter break. We love the promise of the New Year and all the possibilities that exist for our children at Olney Elementary and their future.

Students in kindergarten, first grade and second grade are currently participating in the Montgomery County Public Schools Assessment Program in Primary Reading (MCPS AP-PR) and Measures of Academic Progress in Math. These assessments are administered three times per year (fall, winter, spring) and provide teachers and administrators with formative data to make informed instructional decisions and monitor student progress. Students in third, fourth, and fifth grade are currently taking the Measures of Academic Progress in Reading and Math. These assessments are administered three times per year (fall, winter, spring) and measure student growth in reading and math over time. This data enables teachers to differentiate instruction to meet the needs of each student.

This quarter we will have the opportunity to meet with all grade levels in Town Hall meetings. In these meetings we will share academic and behavior expectations including what it looks like and sounds like to be respectful, responsible, and safe. You may have seen these posters in our hallways and classrooms. Please remind students of our expectations -

I am Respectful
 I am Responsible
 I am Safe



January 2018

Carla Glawe— Principal

Cindy Chichester— Assistant
 Principal

Special Dates:

January 1: Holiday-
 Schools and Office Closed

January 15: Holiday—
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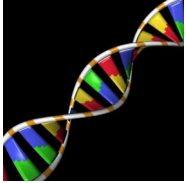
January 25: Early Release
 12:55 pm

January 25: Last Day of
 2nd Quarter

January 26: Professional
 Day for Teachers; No
 School for Students

Maryland Agricultural Unit

From January 2—8th, you will notice a 40-foot portable unit in our lower parking lot.



This portable will be utilized as students in all grade levels participate in a variety of science activities.



Dress Warmly!!!

THE WEATHER OUTSIDE IS COLD IN THE WINTER

Please dress your children warmly each day. They are outside waiting for buses in the morning and, whenever possible, they go outside for recess (the temperature and wind chill are considered). Some of our classrooms get very warm in the winter, and it is best if your children are dressed in 'layers' – with a sweater over a shirt – in order to adjust to the differences in temperature.

College and Career Readiness Night

College and Career Readiness Night to Be Held January 11

Students in Grades 6–12 and their parents are invited to attend College and Career Readiness Night—Starting Early to Plan for Success.

The event, held by MCPS in collaboration with the Montgomery County Council of Parent Teacher Associations, Inc. (MCCPTA), is an opportunity for parents/guardians and students to learn how they can prepare for college and career. The event will be held from 6:30 to 8:45 p.m. on January 11, 2018, at Gaithersburg High School, 101 Education Boulevard, in Gaithersburg.



MCPS Budget Information

The FY 2019 Operating Budget—A Call to Invest in MCPS

The superintendent released his recommended FY 2019 Operating Budget on December 19, 2017. Hearings will be held on Thursday, January 4, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. and on Wednesday, January 10, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. at Carver Educational Services Center Auditorium, 850 Hungerford Drive, Rockville, MD. We are currently accepting a waitlist for January 10, 2018.