

# Pine Crest Elementary



Issue 5

January 2012



**Principal's Note: Happy New Year!** The Pine Crest staff would like to wish you a safe and happy 2012! We look forward to the many fun and productive months ahead as we continue to partner with you in your student's education. We count our blessings for the opportunity to watch your children grow and become successful young scholars.

**Office Reminders:** As we re-acclimate ourselves to routines after our winter break, please be reminded that parents (or other visitors) must sign into the front office. We have also had an increasing number of adults who are signing in and walking back into the classrooms during the day to deliver items to their students. Adults who are scheduled to volunteer in classrooms may sign in and go to the classroom in which they are assisting. All other adults are to stop in the front office and the office staff will assist you in delivering items to the classroom. Please also be reminded that, upon the arrival of our students, teachers are unavailable to talk to parents who wish to engage them in conversation. The teacher's primary responsibility is to their students. Classroom observations are to be prearranged a minimum of 24 hours prior to your visit. Thank you for your assistance.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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| <b>1.12</b>     | HGC testing, Grade 3 applicants  |
| <b>1.16</b>     | No school, Martin Luther King Jr. Day  |
| <b>1.20</b>     | Second marking period ends   |
| <b>1.23</b>     | No school, Professional Day  |
| <b>1.24</b>     | Third marking period begins  |
| <b>2.1</b>      | Report cards distributed   |
| <b>2.3</b>      | Student Recognition Ceremonies <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grade 3: 9:40 – 10:20</li><li>• Grade 4: 2:55 – 3:30</li><li>• Grade 5: 2:10 – 2:50</li></ul> |
| <b>2.6 - 24</b> | Pennies for Patients Drive   |
| <b>2.9</b>      | Mock MSA Grade 5 (a.m.)  |
| <b>2.10</b>     | Mock MSA Grade 3 and 4 (a.m.)  |

### Stay Connected with MCPS

Want to keep in touch with MCPS this school year? Try these connections:

- ✓ **Alert MCPS** [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/info/emergency/sources](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/info/emergency/sources)
- ✓ **MCPS for Parents**  
[www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/parents](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/parents)
- ✓ **Twitter**  
<http://twitter.com/mcps>

### Save the Date: MSA 2012

March 12, 13: Grade 3 and 4 Reading

March 14, 15: Grade 5 Reading

March 16, 19: Grade 3 and 4 Math

March 20, 21: Grade 5 Math

March 22 – 28: Make-ups