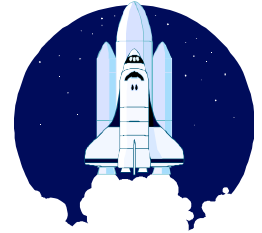




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Welcome to Our World!!!



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Important Upcoming Events

Report Cards Distributed (9:15am)—2/3
International Night—2/6
Valentine's Day Parties & Snow Date for International Night—2/13
Achievement Gap Meeting—2/18
Chick-Fil-A Night—2/4
5th Grade Parent Mtg w/Principal of Kingsview (7-9pm)—2/9

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Are Schools Delayed or Closed?

Have you ever asked yourself, "how do I find out if schools are delayed or closed?" School closing announcements are made in several places:

- On the MCPS Web site home page:
<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org>
- Cable channel 34:
http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/departments/itv/ITV_Programs_Channel34.shtml
- The weather line, 301-279-3673 ; and
- QuickNotes
<http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/info/quicknotes/>

Students and parents can also access information on local TV and radio stations.

For early morning decisions, road inspection begins at 3 a.m. so that a decision can be forwarded to the media in time for the 5 a.m. broadcasts. The decision will also be available online by 5 a.m. In case of an early dismissal, all announcements will be made by 11 a.m.



International Night

Hola! Bonjour!

We will be celebrating McNair's 3rd Annual International Night on Friday, February 6 from 6:30 - 8:30.

Visit countries from around the world such as: China, El Salvador, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Korea, Lebanon, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Puerto Rico, and Vietnam.

Watch dancing, write your name in Chinese, get a henna tattoo as well as sample some great food. Mark your calendars for this FUN cultural experience and join us as we journey around the world of our McNair families.



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Spring Dance

Calling all parents!! We are looking for people who would like to help with the Spring Dance which is scheduled for April 24, 2009. If you are interested in helping with this fun evening, please contact Beth Rowe @ bjrowe12@yahoo.com.



McNair Auction

**Auction is March 6! * Auction is March 6! * Auction is March 6! **

The annual auction is a fun-filled event for the whole family. It is a significant fundraiser for the PTA and the proceeds support many of the programs your child/children enjoy at Ronald McNair Elementary School. You will hear much more about this great event but we wanted to let you know that we are now accepting your donations.

It is time to ask your neighbors, family members, hair salons, friends, and retailers for their donations. Your donations make this event so worthwhile!

The Auction needs your donations!

Could you donate any of the following items??

Tickets – local sporting events, theater, ballet, concerts

Gift Certificates – area restaurants, hair/nail salons, spas, local retailers

Items/Services from the companies with whom you are employed

Clothes – new/never worn, tags still attached

A finished product from a hobby you enjoy – quilting, painting, sewing, photography

Valuable/interesting items from cleaning out your closet or basement

Services you can provide – tutoring, home improvement services, instruction

Please contact Kelly Collins if you have any questions about donating or helping with this event. We need someone to help with the food that evening and someone to help coordinate the classroom baskets. Please contact us on 301-642-1268 or henryand-kelly@comcast.net.



Winter Weather Information Reminder

Guess what?

Now it is that time of year when winter weather may cause schools to close, dismiss early, or delay opening. Be the first to know about changes in school operations by subscribing to the MCPS Quick Notes e-mail news service. Information about weather decisions and emergency procedures also is available on the emergency information page on the MCPS website."



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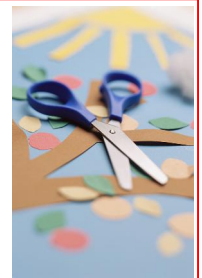
Don't forget, we have access to Verizon's [Thinkfinity.org](http://www.thinkfinity.org), which has a Parent/Caregiver section that provides parents with the same access that Teachers have. That means you have access to valuable educational information that can help your Student strive. Resources available are in mathematics, reading, writing, maps, and just so much more.

To access FREE education resources for parents please go to:

http://www.thinkfinity.org/parent_resource_list.aspx?feature=parentresources.

The 2009 McNair Art Show

The 2009 McNair Art Show is approaching fast! This very special exhibit is scheduled for March 11th and features art from every child in our school. Preparation begins in December (right now!) with the pulling of butcher block paper for each grade level and progresses into the matte and mount process. Volunteers from all grades are welcome. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jenn Park at jenn.park@verizon.net or (301) 972-5716.



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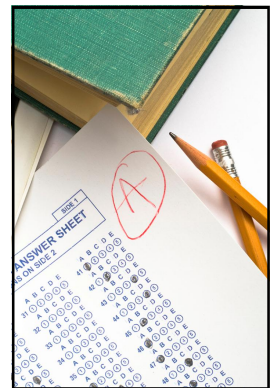
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Achievement Gap Meeting Rescheduled

Due to inclement weather the Achievement Gap meeting has been rescheduled for February 18th. Stay tuned for more information!



Don't forget: After midnight, February 17, 2009, you will need a digital-to-analog converter box for any analog TVs (non digital) you have?

