



# The Salamander's Tale

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*Bi-Weekly Newsletter of Sligo Creek Elementary School, Silver Spring, Maryland*

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## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- 6/10 K Field Trip to Nat'l Zoo  
FI Presentation 6:00-8:00p.m.
- 6/11 Gr. 5 Pool Party  
Gr. 2 Game Show@10:00 a.m.
- 6/12 Gr. 3 Party/Game Day@11:45  
PTA End of Year Party 6:30p.m.  
(Front Circle & Cafeteria)
- 6/15 Gr. 5 Promotion@1:00p.m.
- 6/16 Last Day of School-Dismissal at  
12:55 p.m.

## **L'immersion en fete**

French immersion students will celebrate their many successes with their parents and siblings at a 6:00 p.m. performance in French on Wednesday, June 10, in the Sligo Creek gym. Parents, please fill out the response forms sent home a couple of weeks ago. Merci!

## **2009 RECORDER BLACK BELT TEAM**

Each spring, Students in Grades 3, 4, and 5 are encouraged to participate in the Recorder Karate Music Reading and Performance Program.

This program is a motivational method for teaching students to read music, while playing the recorder. There are a total of nine songs in this program and each song explores a new learning skill in reading music. Each of the nine songs also provides students with progressive challenges in reading musical rhythms and in fingering different musical notes. Students are tested in small groups and when they have mastered a song, a colored string is tied onto their recorder; this is similar to passing a skill in karate where a colored belt is achieved when a new skill is mastered. The following students have mastered all nine songs and received nine color belts on their recorder:

### **In Grade: 4**

Tedd Remy

### **In Grade: 3**

Mikaela Moore, Sebastien Kraft, Pierre Moglen, Matthew Rice, Caitlin Buckley, Jackson Hall, Nicey Olo, Alahna Smith, Nina Tzoukermann, Olivia Gonzalez, Asa Constantine, Mira Stone, Tiama Essama-Ayi, Noelle McKoy, EmmettAdler, Elijah Schulman, Eamon McKeever, Marike Pinsonneault, Eleanor Williams, Emma McIntyre, Allegra Levone, Nick Benevides, Julia Henderson, Maya Hammond, Chaylin Henderson, Nora Olagbaju, Aida Ayuk, Alex Mentzell, Max Spiegel, Lokesh Tiwari

Congratulations to these students! They are now members of the 2009 Recorder Karate Black Belt Team and have been awarded a Recorder Karate Black Belt Team T-shirt!

Students in Grades 3, 4 and 5: Keep practicing your recorder and you will be on the Black Belt Team too!

## **MEDIA CENTER REMINDERS**

Time to remember.....Where is that library book anyway? With the end of the year fast approaching, students should be returning all overdue library books. While book check-out will continue for a few more weeks, any books that are currently overdue should be returned or paid for now. Favorite hiding places for books include under the bed and beneath car seats.

"I promise to treat books with care and return them on time for others to share".

## **PTA FAREWELL PARTY**

The SCES PTA will hold an End of Year Party on Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 -8:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to serve pizza and ice cream and run the sack races, tug-of-war and volleyball. Please e-mail Chris Lage at [Chrisopher.lage@eeoc.gov](mailto:Chrisopher.lage@eeoc.gov) if you are interested in volunteering.

## **LOST AND FOUND**

Please don't forget to check for any lost items before the end of the school year. Anything remaining will be donated to charities.

## **CAFETERIA ACCOUNTS**

Notices have gone home from food services regarding your child's cafeteria account. Please make every effort to pay the cafeteria of any negative balances your child may have. The cafeteria will not be able to give your child a hot lunch if they have a negative balance.

## **SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS**

Montgomery College is offering over 200 exciting full and half day courses for students in grades K-12. The summer program runs for an eight week period from June 22 - August 14, 2009. For registration information, please call 240-567-7264 or 7917, or access the website at [www.montgomerycollege.edu/youth](http://www.montgomerycollege.edu/youth).

## **SUPPLY LISTS**

Supply lists for each grade level will be going home with your child on the last day of school.