



# 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**

- 2/24 Public Information Boundary Review Mtg.  
Gr. 5 In House Field Trip
- 2/25 BOE Cluster Meeting- Northwood HS
- 2/26 Gr. 2 Musical Performance - Parents  
Welcome
- 2/27 Early Release - Dismissal at 12:55
- 3/2 K Field Trip to College Park Airport
- 3/3 PTA Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 3/5 Family Science Night

## **SECOND GRADE STUDENTS PERFORM**

### **"Music Around the World" Program**

All Second Grade Students will be performing their grade-level music program entitled: **"Music Around the World"** on Monday, February 23, 2009, from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., (school assembly: First Grade Students are invited and Second Grade Parents) and Thursday, February 26, 2009, from 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. (Second Grade Parents are invited) Both performances will be held in the Sligo Creek ES Gymnasium. This music program will feature songs and dances from North America, South America,

Europe and Asia. We look forward to seeing you there!

To view a complete list of Sligo Creek ES Music Events, please visit the music pages on our school website. Here is a link to it:

<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/sligocreekes/specials/music/musicevent.aspx>

## **FOURTH & FIFTH GRADE STUDENTS**

All Third, Fourth and Fifth Grade Students are reminded to bring a soprano recorder to each music class and a music folder to collect musical song sheets each week from their music classes. Thank you!

## **IMMERSION APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

This year, parents/students interested in a foreign language immersion program can participate in a lottery for one of the seats by completing an **Immersion Interest Form** for the 2009-2010 school year. This form takes the place of using the Change of School Assignment Form (COSA) that has been used in the past. To download the form and learn more about elementary foreign language immersion programs, visit [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/admissions/immersion\\_news.shtm](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/admissions/immersion_news.shtm)

Completed forms should be faxed, mailed, or delivered directly to:  
Division of Consortia Choice and Application  
Program Services (DCCAPS)  
Spring Mill Field Office  
11721 Kemp Mill Road  
Silver Spring, MD 20902  
Fax:301-649-8155

The **deadline** for submitting an **Immersion Interest Form** for the 2009-2010 school year is Wednesday, **April 1, 2009**. Parents of incoming kindergarteners, who have children already in an immersion program, **MUST** fill out this form as well, and submit it by the deadline. These siblings have preference in the lottery, but the form must be submitted for the preference to be granted.

### **OPEN HOUSE DATES**

The last open house for parents interested in applying to the French Immersion Program at Sligo Creek E.S. will be March 10, 2009. The session begins at 9:30 with visits to the classes. At 10:20 there will be questions and answers with the administrator and the program coordinator. We encourage everyone who is even considering the possibility of enrolling in French Immersion to attend an Open House to become familiar with the program, its components and its philosophy. Please tell your friends, neighbors and families about this last opportunity to attend.

### **FRENCH IMMERSION SUMMER CAMP**

Immersion parents should have received a notice about our two summer camp sessions - June 22 - July 2 and July 6-July 17. Please contact Mme Gouin or Ms. Alonzo if you need another letter and application form.