

News from the Administration

April 2013

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Closing Out a Great Year

The calendar says spring has arrived, but the weather is telling a much different story. With Spring Break behind us, we are heading into the final stretch of a whirlwind year of change. Our fourth quarter begins on Tuesday, April 3, 2013, when students arrive back to school after a restful and family-filled break. Our new building feels more like home every day and we are looking forward to ending our school year with much to be thankful for.

The Maryland State Assessments (MSAs) for Reading and Math are also behind us for Grades 3-5. The students worked very hard during testing and we are very proud of their efforts. Fifth graders have the MSA Science coming up April 16^{th} and 17^{th} to close out the State Testing Season. March was also an exciting time to see so many talented students. Both talent shows were wonderful to watch and the kids really seemed to enjoy every moment. Thank you to our PTA for all the hard work it took to make sure our students had an enjoyable and positive experience.

Kindergarten Orientation for the 2013 – 2014 school year is taking place on April 29th and 30th. If you have a child or know of a family who has a child who will be 5 years old by September 1st, 2013, please register a for time between 9:00am – 2:45pm for this very important event by calling the school at (301) 469-1050. Orientation will take place in our beautiful new building. Join us in spreading the word to make sure we have reached out to all of our prospective Kindergarten students for next year. If you have questions, call the school. Please remember that our current Kindergarten students will not have school on April 29th and 30th.

With the warmer weather closing in on us, it is important to remind parents to continue to follow our drop-off and pick-up procedures. Please use our car loop and do not drop off your children in front of the school. When using the car loop stay in your car and have your child exit by the passenger side of the car. This allows the car loop to continue moving and avoids a backup on Postoak Rd. If you have childproof door locks, gently signal or let a staff member know the door needs to be opened from the outside. Our staff works very hard to keep all of our students safe, please remember to respect our procedures and show a little kindness when interacting with staff. We all have busy schedules, but modeling kindness for our children always has long-lasting positive effects.

IMPORTANT DATES

April 4

Anti-Bullying Assembly Grades K-5

April 11

Report Cards sent home

April 16

MSA/Science Grade 5

April 17

MSA/Science Grade 5

April 18 & 19

MSA/Science Make-ups Grade 5

April 18

Science Expo 6:30-8:30pm Wayside ES Multi-Purpose Room

April 24

Career Day 9:05 - 10:45

April 29 & 30

Kindergarten Orientation 9:00 am – 2:45 pm

> No school for current Kindergarten students



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APRIL 29 & APRIL 30, 2013 BEVERLY FARMS ES KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION 9:00AM - 2:45 PM

Spread the word

Beverly Farms Elementary is holding its Kindergarten Orientation for children entering Kindergarten for the 2103 – 2014 school year.

Please register for Orientation if your child will be five years old by September 1, 2013 Call Today (301) 469-1050



Are you Smarter than a 5th Grade Challenge???



Beverly Farms will have one 5th grade student and one alternate participating in a local version of the ever-popular game show "Are you Smarter than a 5th Grader.

Montgomery County Celebrities are going up against 5th graders throughout MCPS to raise funds to support the missions and programs of the Montgomery County Public Schools Educational Foundation. Join the fun and do some good by purchasing tickets to attend.

Beverly Farms students will be performing on Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at 7 p.m. at Imagination Stage, 4908 Auburn Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814

The deadline to receive your tickets by mail is April 16, 2013. Flyers will be sent home to students on Monday, April 8, 2013.

Don't miss out on the fun!!!



Golden Shout Outs

- To our Grade 5 Team, Special Educators, and Paraeducators for preparing our 5th graders to put on an outstanding Living History Museum
- *To our Grade 1 Team and Ms. Vassila for preparing our 1st graders for an amazing Playground Museum.
- * To Mrs. Etheridge and Mrs. Wong for the amazing job they do every day in our front office. No one does it better!
- To our lunch and recess aides whose strong efforts give our students a positive experience every day in the lunchroom and on our playground.
- To our Health Tech, Evelyn Harkins, for the comfort and cleanup she provides our students. Ms. Harkins is a true team player, pitching in wherever a need arises.