



# Olney Flyer

## Principal's Newsletter

THE PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER FOR OLNEY PARENTS

OLNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
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### Mission Statement

The parents, staff and students of Olney Elementary School will work as a team to become life-long learners and productive citizens. By putting forth our best effort we will strive to create an environment of mutual respect and academic challenge.

### April 2019

Carla Glawe—Principal

Cindy Chichester—Assistant  
Principal

## A Message from Mrs. Glawe

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Mrs. Chichester and I can't believe that we are headed into the home stretch of the 2018-2019 school year. There is so much to accomplish these last few months together, including tackling the spring testing season.

The link below will take you to the dates of our testing schedule for the state mandatory Spring PARCC testing for students in grades 3 - 5. Please mark these dates on your calendar. Due to federal law requirements, students who are absent during their class will still be required to complete the PARCC. Students will participate in makeup sessions within the state testing window, April 23–June 3. We ask that parents refrain from scheduling trips/doctor appointments/ etc. on these dates. It is extremely important that students attend school on these days and participate in these assessments. The link to the PARCC testing schedule is below:

<http://bit.ly/OESspringtesting19>

MAP-RF hasn't been scheduled yet.



### Special Dates :

- April 3: Early Release Day, 12:55 pm
- April 3: End of MP3
- April 4: Grade 4 FT to Annapolis, 9:15—3:00pm
- April 5: Spring Picture Day (Prepaid Students only)
- April 9-14: MCPS Art Fair at Montgomery Mall
- April 10: Grade 1 SERT Assembly, 9:30—10:15am
- April 11: Front Door Bus Evacuation
- April 12: Kindergarten SERT Visit with Mr. Jim Stuft from MCPS
- April 15-16: Hearing and Vision Screening
- April 16: Report Cards distributed
- April 17-22: Spring Break
- April 24: Spring Chorus Concert

## **Kindergarten Orientation**

Kindergarten Orientation is scheduled for Thursday, May 2nd and Friday, May 3rd. To set up your enrollment date and time you will need to visit [bit.ly/oes19k](http://bit.ly/oes19k). Registration packets will be added to the Olney ES Website mid-April. Please contact Ms. Condell-Nelson or Ms. Tull in the Main Office, 301-924-3126 to clarify any Kindergarten Orientation questions you may have. **Our current Kindergarten students will not have school on those two days.**

## **School Improvement Plan**

We are very proud of the performance of our students. Our mid-year Evidence of Learning performance data showed that our students made tremendous progress in Reading and Math since the Fall.

In addition to our academic focus, students may have told you about our PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports) Booster Weeks. During these weeks, we put emphasis on being respectful, responsible, and safe. We use data to determine focus areas. Our last PBIS Booster Week focused on recognizing positive behavior in the lunch room. Students enjoyed free seating in some lunch periods.

## **Arrival Procedures**

Please follow our OES policies for arrival.

- Students may enter the building at 8:40am.
- Students are late at 9:00am, and must be brought into the main office by an adult to sign in.
- Parents should enter the bottom parking lot to drop off students who are CAR RIDERS.
- Parents should **not** enter the bus loop in their cars or on foot.
- Parents should follow the directions of the adults on duty.
- Students who are CAR RIDERS and WALKERS should enter through the gym doors in the bottom lot unless they are arriving after 9:00am.

## **Vision and Hearing Testing at Olney Elementary**

In accordance with the Maryland State Law students in Montgomery County Public Schools are screened for possible vision and hearing problems. Trained hearing and vision screeners will be screening students new to MCPS, students in Kindergarten and First grade and students referred by teachers because of possible signs of hearing or vision problems. The screeners will be at Olney ES on April 15, April 16 and May 17.

If your child passes you will receive a note in the backpack. You will receive a referral form in the mail to take to your child's doctor if your child fails the screening. If your child is already under care for a hearing or vision problem, or you do not wish your child to be screened at school, please notify the school nurse in writing

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