

Olney Flyer

Principal's Newsletter

THE PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER FOR OLNEY PARENTS

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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.

A Message from Mrs. Glawe

Dear Parents and Guardians,

“It takes a village to raise a child.” At Olney Elementary School, we are extremely grateful for all of our families. We are thankful for a supportive and engaged school community, kind and enthusiastic children who come to school ready to learn and a dedicated and committed staff who go out of their way to serve their students. Thank you to everyone who contributes to making Olney ES all that it is in our community. We have had many celebrations leading up to December! We had a handful of students enjoy serving as principal or assistant principal for part of a day, students who had lunch bunches with teachers and many students who were able to trade in their Dragon Dollars for pencils, erasers and other trinkets. Keep up the great work DRAGONS!

Parent Conferences/Visitation

We value the home– school connection at Olney. If you have any questions regarding your child’s academic performance, please contact the teacher or staff members via phone or email for an appointment. We respectfully ask that you do not come to the building without a **confirmed appointment**. Our teachers participate in planning meetings and professional development opportunities before, during and after the school day. Confirmed appointments are important so that teachers are prepared to give you the time and information that you need. Teachers do not always check their email in the evening, so please give them until the following afternoon to reply to you. Teachers will provide you with dates and times for meetings and/or visits that support our academic agenda.

December 2018

Carla Glawe, Principal

Cindy Chichester, Assistant Principal

Special Dates of Interest:

December 4: PTA Meeting, 7:00 pm

December 11: PTA Sponsored Assembly, A Story About Bullying

December 12: PTA Restaurant Night at California Tortilla, 5:00 pm

December 18: Instrumental Music Winter Concert, 7:00 pm

December 24 through January 1: Winter Break

Parent Attendance Notes

Thank you for sending in written notes when your child has been absent or has to change dismissal plans. Please include the following information:

- Child's Name
- Teacher's Name
- Date
- Parent Signature
- Printed Parent Name (if signature is not legible)

If you have any questions, please know that you may always call our main office.

Winter Weather is Coming!!!!

A uniform procedure to close all schools is maintained so that the school system can respond quickly to emergency weather conditions. Information about the weather is gathered from many sources, including The National Weather Service, AccuWeather, the news media and inspection of the roads, school driveways and sidewalks throughout the county. Information from these various sources is factored into decision making for school closures and delays.

There are many ways in which you can find out about school closings and delays, please do not call school.

Parents can sign up for Alert MCPS. Alert MCPS provides you with emergency information about school operations via text messages (i.e. SMS text or email messages) to devices you register. Signing up for Alert MCPS is free, but your wireless carrier may charge you a fee to receive text messages. This service is provided in collaboration with the Montgomery County government. Weather-related messages are sent in English and Spanish.

The Montgomery County Public Schools website:<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org>

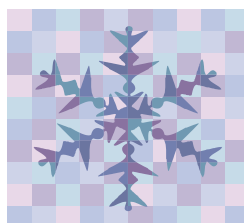
Local news and radio stations

Comcast Channel 34

Verizon Fios Channel 36

Recorded Information on 301-279-3673

Twitter <http://twitter.com/mcps>



Signing Into Olney Elementary

Our new VMS login system has finally arrived. We have sent out numerous reminders that all parents/ volunteers/ visitors will need to have their drivers license, identification card, or passport to enter the building. Without one of these forms of identification you will **not** be able to enter Olney ES. You will need your ID upon each visit. We are dedicated to keeping all of our students safe here at Olney ES and this new system helps to do just that. Please remember your ID every time you come into our building as our front staff will not allow you to enter without one. Lets continue to keep Olney ES safe by adhering to the MCPS visitor protocol.

Dismissal Reminders

Car Riders

- Parents will enter the lower parking lot and follow the one way sign
- Parents will drive through the parking lot until you reach the island at the corner of Queen Mary and the school parking lot
- Students will enter the car on the right near the cross walk only and on the designated islands (Parents – please be patient and do not pass cars on the left). If necessary, parents may reenter the loop to keep the traffic flowing
- Students will be dismissed at 3:25 p.m..
- If you have parked in the parking lot, you will not be able to exit until the loop is clear of cars

Walkers

- Walkers will exit the building through the fourth grade door near the playground
- Walkers will be released to parents who are waiting at the fourth grade doors by the portico

Please OBEY the speed limit in the neighborhood!!!!

