



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,

As we are midway through the 3rd quarter of the school year, we will have the opportunity to meet with all grade levels in Town Hall meetings during lunches. In these meetings we will share the academic and behavior expectations including what it looks like and sounds like to be respectful, responsible, and safe. You can help us by reminding students of our Olney expectations.

I am Respectful
I am Responsible
I am Safe

MCPS places the physical, social, and psychological well-being of our students as a priority. Following the recent pedestrian incidents across Montgomery County, MCPS is increasing the focus on student pedestrian safety. MCPS has provided links to share with students, families, and the school communities to promote pedestrian, bicycle, and traffic safety. Please review the links below and the pedestrian, bicycle, and traffic safety procedures on the OES home page.

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-PedSafety/SRTS/Elem.html>

<https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/saferoutes/>

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-PedSafety/SRTS/creative-contest.html>



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Carla Glawe—Principal

Cindy Chichester—
Assistant Principal

Special Dates :

March 1: Early Release
Day, 12:55 pm

March 5: Fifth Grade Field
Trip to SHS Rock N Roll
Revival 9:40 am-12:40 pm

March 5: PTA Meeting,
7:00pm

March 29: Kindergarten
Field Trip to the National
Zoo 9:40 am—2:10 pm

March 29: Third Grade
Field Trip to FMS Mary
Poppins Jr 9:40 am—11:40
am

March 29: PTA Spring Hoe-
down, 6:00 pm

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The Draft MCPS Strategic Plan for FY 2019–2022 is now available and MCPS is seeking feedback from the community. This Strategic Plan represents the district's continued commitment to the five core values that define what it means to be an exceptional school system: Learning, Relationships, Respect, Excellence and Equity. The draft plan is centered on six outcomes:

- Students Ready To Learn;
- Reducing and Eliminating Disparities in Student Learning;
- Students Prepared for College and Career;
- A Safe and Healthy Learning Environment;
- Efficient Operations; and
- Highly Effective Employees.

The Draft Strategic Plan site can be found at: www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/campaigns/Strategic-Planning-FY19-22/ and includes a feedback form parents, staff and members of the community are encouraged to fill out.

Arrival/Dismissal Procedures

If your child is a car rider, please pull into the lower lot to drop-off and pick-up. It is a safety hazard to have children crossing lanes of traffic on foot. If your child dismisses as a walker, plan to greet them at 3:25 pm. Please instruct your child to wait with the walker dismissal staff member if he/she does not see you. We will communicate this message to students as well. Thank you for making our arrival and dismissal procedures as safe as they can be! Don't forget to visit the OES website to review the pedestrian, bicycle, and traffic safety procedures.

Kindergarten Orientation

Kindergarten Orientation will be held May 2nd and 3rd from 9:15-3:15 p.m. for families with students who will be five years old ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2019. A letter with additional information is currently being developed and will be sent home within the next few weeks. Kindergarten Orientation focuses on creating a stress free, informal experience for parents and incoming students. During orientation, parents will have an opportunity to meet teachers, complete registration and learn briefly about the kindergarten program at Olney Elementary. Students will have an opportunity to complete kindergarten related tasks and meet other incoming peers.

Classes will be canceled for current kindergarten students in order to accommodate the orientation days. Please make arrangements for your kindergartner on those days. Please note that Early Entrance to Kindergarten (EEK) applications will also be accepted for children who will be five years of age between September 2 and October 15, 2019. According to MCPS policy, consideration will not be given for children with birth dates beyond October 15th. There will be NO appeal process for children with birth dates beyond October 15, 2014. For more information about the policy please visit:

<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/info/enroll/requirements.aspx>