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Mantua PTA Alert News

May 24, 2011



New School Hours for 2011-12 School Year

There is a new bell schedule for the 2011-12 school year. Beginning in the fall Mantua's hours will be: Mondays: 9:05 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.; Tuesdays-Fridays: 9:05 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

New PTA's Safety Guidelines to be Discussed June 1

The PTA has been tasked with developing some basic safety guidelines for our larger group activities, to be adopted starting this coming school year. Any parent with constructive input is welcome to help craft these new guidelines. Join us on Wednesday, June 1, at 6 p.m. in the library (just before the PTA meeting/election) to get the ball rolling. Stay for the PTA meeting and vote in the new PTA board too!

PTA's Executive Board to be Voted on June 1

At its next meeting, the PTA will be voting on its executive board for the 2011-12 school year. The following are on the slate for the 2011-12 PTA Executive Board: President, Teresa LeMair; VP1 Programs and Clubs, Lori Prendergast; VP2 Membership and Fundraising, Shannon Murphy and Jennifer Epley; Treasurer, Sandy Spector; Secretary, Lori Recher. Please join us on Wednesday, June 1, at 7 p.m., in the library to elect our new board members.

Attention All Parents of 6th Graders

The 2011 Mantua graduation and annual 6th grade party are just around the corner. This year's graduation party theme is "Night in NY." Many parents, with the help of the 6th graders, are involved in planning and coordinating this fun-filled event, but we need contributions from everyone in order to make it a success! Please send \$12 (by May 31) to help cover the cost of the many fun activities that are being planned for your children. This should be sent to Melinda

Burroughs (via Kellie Burroughs in Mrs. Grice's class) or mail to Melinda at 9129 Maywood Lane, Fairfax 22031. Also, volunteers are needed to help with the party. If you're able to help go to: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/graduation50> to volunteer. The password is **Mantua6**. Contact Monica Cameron, at monica.cameron@cox.net, for more information.

Field Day Volunteers Needed

Mantua's field days are June 7, for grades K-2, June 8, for grades 3-4 and June 9, for grades 5-6. We need volunteers to help walk the classes through the stations, keep the teams working together, make sure everyone understands the directions, demonstrates good sportsmanship and has a lot of FUN! All classes, with the exception of Ms. Walrath and Mrs. Garneski, still need volunteers. The morning shift is from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and the afternoon shift is 12:45 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. Please contact Teresa LeMair, at teresalemair@aol.com, with the following information if you can volunteer: your name, the class and AM or PM shift.

Standards of Learning (SOL) Assessments Start This Week

The Standards of Learning (SOL) Assessments continue this week. Please make every effort to avoid any appointments or activities that would take your child out of school on test days. Contact Allison Curran Warren, Mantua's school testing coordinator, at Allison.Curran@fcps.edu with questions.

Week 2

May 23 - 3rd Grade Social Studies

May 24 - 4th Grade Math

May 25 - 5th Grade Math (AAP will take Gr. 6 Math Test this day)

May 26 - 6th Grade Math (AAP and Compacted Math will take Gr. 7 Math Test this day)

May 27 - 3rd Grade Science (Early Dismissal)

Week 3

May 30 - Memorial Day, No School

May 31 - 4th Grade VA Studies

June 1 - 5th Grade Science

June Calendar

June 2: 7 - 8 p.m. Parent Volunteer Appreciation Speaker - Library

June 3: 2:45 - 3:30 p.m. Grade 4 Band Recruiting Assembly - Cafeteria

June 6: Italian Test-Speaking - Grade 6

1 - 3 p.m. SCA End of Year Party - Cafeteria

June 7: Italian Test-Speaking - Grade 6

9:20 - 10:15, Author Visit - Grade 5

10:25 - 11:20, Author Visit - AAP - Grades 4 & 5

11:25 - 12:20, Author Visit - Grade 3

1:25 - 2:20, Author Visit - Grade 4

2:30 - 3:25, Author Visit - Grade 6 AAP

June 8: 9:20 - 10:15, Author Visit - TC

10:25 - 11:20, Author Visit - Family 3

11:30 - 12:25, Author Visit - Family 2

1:25 - 2:20, Author Visit - Grade 6

2:30 - 3:25, Author Visit - Family 1

June 10: TC End of Year Picnic

June 13: 9:30 A.M. SCA Installation - Gym

June 15: 9:30 a.m. 6th Grade Musical - Grades 4-6 - Gym

10:30 a.m. 6th Grade Musical - Grades PreK-3 - Gym

7 p.m. 6th Grade Musical - Parent Performance - Gym

June 16: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Ancient Cultures - Grade 3

Last Day of Specials

June 17: 12 noon - 3 p.m. - Patrol/GMM Picnic - Eakin Park

6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Science Expo - 6th Grade - Cafeteria

June 20: 9:30 a.m. 6th Grade Awards Assembly - Gym

1 p.m. 6th Grade Party - Gym

June 21: Last Day of School; students dismissed at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Important Upcoming Events

Fri. May 27: 2-hour early release

Mon. May 30: School CLOSED for Memorial Day

Wed. June 1: PTA meeting, executive board to be elected

Tues. June 7: Field Day -- grades K-2

Wed. June 8: Field Day -- grades 3-4

Thurs. June 9: Field Day -- grades 5-6

Looking for a Summer Day Camp?

The Mantua PTA has collected weekly summer day camp recommendations from our school families and neighbors, and put them in an easy-to-use format [HERE](#). Please note that these camps are not endorsed by the PTA, but simply collected from school family suggestions.

Cavalier Summer Cheer and Dance Camp, July 5-8

The Woodson Cheerleaders will hold their camp 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. and the Precisionettes will hold their camp 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. The camp is open to all rising 1st through 9th grade students. Each camp is \$130 per child, or attend both camps for \$220 per child.

For more information contact camp coordinators Betsy Nerdahl, frances.nerdahl@fcps.edu, and Madelyn Weaver, madelynweaver@yahoo.com, or 703-609-2416, or go [HERE](#).

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