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Important Upcoming Dates

June 16: Medieval Festival, 5th Grade

June 17: Patrol/GMM Picnic

June 18: 6th Grade Awards and Party

June 19: Last Day of School, Dismissal at 1:50 p.m.

Important Note for Last Day of School

Friday, June 19th is the last day of school. This year, the schedule is significantly different from past years, with the students being dismissed two hours early, instead of the previous practice of a shortened day. The Cafeteria will be serving lunch on the last day, and our school day will end at 1:50 p.m.

End of Year Medication Disposal Guidelines

All medication stored in the school health room must be picked up no later than the students' dismissal time on the last day of school - June 19th at 1:50 p.m. Any medications which are not picked up on the last day of school must be discarded using the disposal guidelines.

Input from Parents in Regards to 2015-2016 Class Placements

Dear Parents,

If you would like to share specific information regarding your child's placement needs for next year please send an email to JanMarie.Fernandez@fcps.edu. It is useful to write a letter if your child has specific learning needs that were

recently identified or you feel that your child would benefit from a specific teaching style. It is not helpful to state the desire to have a specific teacher. Ironically, over the years, I have noted that parents do not always pick the best match for their own children. They do not have the benefit of actually knowing the different teachers' personalities and teaching styles, as I do. I work many days to thoughtfully complete class placements. Parent requests for specific teachers can often throw off the dynamics of this process and cause a classroom to be filled with too many students with similar needs.

Please, do not feel that it is critical for you to send me an email. The teachers fill out cards at the end of the school year on all of their students. I use this information as well to determine class placements. However, if you do feel the need to share information, please remember that I must receive this email by July 10, 2015.

Have a lovely summer,
Jan-Marie Fernandez
Principal

Summer Hours for Mantua ES

Our office will be open during summer from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Please call at 703-645-6300 if you have any questions during summer.

Thank You for a Great Year!

Thank you so much to the many parents who volunteered during last week's Field Days! The students had a great time. And, thank you to all of the dedicated families like yours who make PTA and school activities so fun all year long!

Do you want to get more involved in your child's school? Would you like to get to know the PTA? If so, we would love to hear from you! Contact [Lisa Libby](#) for more information about how you can help. Have a wonderful summer!

Reminder to Parents

Dreambox is available for students to use for Math practice and enrichment throughout the entire summer. Here is the link: <http://www.fcps.edu/MantuaES/parents.html>.

Requests for Reimbursements Due

Now

The school's fiscal year closes June 30th, so the PTA need all receipts and requests for reimbursement ASAP in order for us to close the books. Also, if you have checks and/or cash that need to be turned in, please do so immediately. Contact PTA Treasurer Nicole Willis at Nicole.Hurt@gmail.com or by phone at (H) 703-272-3889, (C) 513-257-1195.

6th Grade Party THIS Thursday

It's finally here! Our 6th Graders' Party "Aloha Mantua" is this Thursday. After the awards ceremony, the kids will head back to the 6th grade modular, have a pizza lunch, sign their yearbooks with their classmates, and then head back to the gym for an afternoon of fun with a DJ, photo booth, games, cake, popcorn, and shaved ice! Please remember to have your child pack a set of casual clothes to change into after the awards ceremony for the party!

We still need some help to make this a memorable and enjoyable event for all. Please sign-up [HERE](#), and thank you so much in advance for your support! Contact [Mia Brennan](#) with any questions.

Girls Basketball Camp at Woodson

Join the Cavaliers July 6-10 for their annual Girls Basketball Camp! Focused skill instruction by new Varsity Head Coach Aseem Rastogi and his assistants, mini-competitions, and interaction/instruction with and from our current players are just the tip of the iceberg. Young ladies from 7-14 are encouraged to attend camp - it is never too early to start learning The Woodson Way.

Follow @wtw_gbb on twitter for more details. Also, e-mail wtwgbb@gmail.com for more details and a direct line to Coach Rastogi. You can download the camp flyer [HERE](#).

Cavaliers Summer Cheer and Dance Camp

Learn cheers and chants with the Cavalier Cheerleaders from Woodson High School, and dance your hearts out with the award winning Woodson Precisionettes. The camps will be held Monday, June 22-Friday, June 26. Dance camp is 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and Cheer camp is 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Each camp is \$150 per child. If you register for both, the cost is \$275 per child. The camp is for rising kindergarteners-9th graders. The parent performance on last day of camp will be a

show stopper. To register, contact Debbie Kammerman at debbiekammerman@yahoo.com.

Translators

Translators comprise another vital part of our outreach efforts. We want every Mantua ES family to feel included and connected—should families need to have a document translated into their native language, our volunteers are here to help!

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Email [Shoshi Kalderon](mailto:ShoshiKalderon) if you have any questions about or would like to volunteer as an ambassador or translator with Mantua ES's Community Building Network.

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