Mantua PTA Alert News

January 24, 2006

This is a good time for volunteering! Valentine's Day parties are upcoming, and Room Parents and Teachers will also be looking for volunteers for the Carnival Class Booth , and Silent Auction Basket Co-ordinators. Make their day by volunteering to help out with one of these events. We need people like you!

KIDS CARE CLUB:

Please don't forget to donate any new or gently used clothing (size 0-3 months or 3-6 months) or infant blankets (no wool please) to the infants at the Virginia Hospital Center. There is a donation box set up in the front school entrance or they can be dropped off at 9303 Kittery Court. Donations will be accepted through February 1st.

TALENT SHOW TIME CHANGE: The Share to Care Talent Show will start at **6pm** on February 11th. All dance numbers and back up music for singers is due by February 1st. Please turn in your CD's music needs to be on a CD) with YOUR NAME (S), NAME of the SONG and TIME length clearly marked by Wednesday, February 1st. Please put your CD's in the basket in the office by the teacher's MAILBOXES.

DRESS REHEARSAL announcements will go out soon. ACT I performers will rehearse on Wednesday, February 8th from 3:30 – 5:30 and ACT 2 performers will be on Friday, February 10th from 3:30 – 5:30.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help or donate baked goods contact Patti Taheri at mptaheri@cox.net or Donna McGrath at dsm721@cox.net.

VISUAL ARTS TALENT SHOW: Permission slips are due by Wednesday, February 1st. Please contacts Kristen Sarlo at ksarlo@aol.com if you have any questions.

Need an Interpreter? If you are in need of a sign language interpreter for the Talent Show or any other after school event, please contact Diane Peterson at Diane.Peterson@fcps.edu or 703-645-6300.

FLEX (Foreign Language Classes)

Session 2 classes begin the week of February 6 . There are still openings in the following classes. Please complete a registration form found in the front lobby and place in PTA mailbox marked "FLEX" by Thursday, Jan. 26 if you are interested. For more information please contact Linda Halstead @ pajusihalstead@cox.net or 703-503-5175.

French	Tuesdays, 7:45 – 8:45	Grades 1-3
French	Thursdays, 7;45 – 8:45	Grades 4-6
Sign	Thursdays, 3:30 – 4:30	Grades 2-4
Sign	Mondays, 7:45 – 8:45	Grades 5-6
Sign	Mondays, 1:30 – 2:30	Grades K-1 plus parent/caregiver
Spanish	Wednesdays, 3:30 – 4:30	Grades 1-3
Spanish	Thursdays, 3:30 – 4:30	Grades 1-3
Spanish	Mondays, 1:30 – 2:30	Grades 4-6

YEARBOOK: All yearbook orders are due by Wednesday, February 1st. The cost of the yearbook is $15. Please put your check or cash in an envelope which has the following information on the front: Student Name, Teacher Name, Number of Yearbooks, and Daytime Telephone Number. All checks need to be made out to IRVIN SIMON PHOTOGRAPHERS. At the end of the year there will be a very limited number of yearbooks sold for $20 so please send your money in before February 1st to be guaranteed a book.

LOST & FOUND

Have you lost a coat? Lunchbox? Gloves? There are many items in our Lost & Found which is located in the corridor off the sixth grade hallway. Please stop by the next time you are at school to take a look through this large collection. All items will be donated at the end of February.

Make Recycling your New Year's Resolution!

Recycle your old printer cartridges, cell phones, PDAs and laptops.

It's easy to do! Just bring your used ink jet or laser cartridges, cell phones, laptops or PDAs from home or work and place them in the gray rubber maid container in the front lobby of Mantua school.

Raise Funds for our School! Thanks to all of you that have been participating, we've earned over $500 dollars in 2005. Let's earn even more during 2006!

Check at Your Work Too! Do you work for a hospital, printer or CPA? These businesses print a lot and may not have a recycling program already. Is your office replacing their cell phones? Ask for them - they may be happy to have them recycled!

Or , if you use more than 6 laser cartridges a month, I could help you set up a program at your home or office. Sponsoring a cartridge recycling program will cost nothing (well - a little time, a box or two, and shipping tape) and Mantua receives the funds directly! Interested? If you have any questions please c all me, Karen Pollard at 703-280-5854 (h), 703-308-3948 (wk) or send an e-mail at pollard.karen@epa.gov .

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