



Mantua Elementary School PTA Alert Newsletter for May 5, 2009

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Welcome to Your New Alert News Format!

As you know, your Mantua PTA has been hard at work getting our Alert online to more families to reduce paper expense, waste, and volunteer hours. This format has the same look as our online version--we hope you like the change, but be assured you can still expect the same degree of highly pertinent and useful information as the older format. YOU can help make this change as well:

- If you have an email address, we encourage you to sign up for the email version instead.
- If you are already receiving the email version, but are also receiving a paper copy by mistake, please let us know.
- Just email WebParent@MantuaPTA.org to start receiving our new online Alert Newsletter!

Thank you, Mantua Elementary PTA

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon Help Needed for This Friday!

Let's give our wonderful teachers a hearty "thank you" all week this week, ending with a fabulous luncheon on Friday.

Our annual PTA (that includes all parents) hosted Teacher Appreciation Luncheon is the Friday, May 8th from 11am-Noon.

By now you should have received flyers asking for specific items by grade or family (lower grade classes). We still need lots of help on the following items:

1. Diced fresh, tomatoes
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3. Sliced fresh fruit or fruit salads or platters
4. Bags of salad
5. 3 containers of sour cream
6. 2 jars of sliced jalapeno peppers
7. 2 more crockpots of Queso (melted cheese) f or Nachos
8. Any sort of appetizers (sushi is still a favorite at the luncheon!)

We can always use help with set up (decorating) anytime from 9:30am- 11:30am the luncheon day. We always welcome help with clean up after 1:15pm.

Please contact CeeCee Young at 703-992-0248 if you can suppo rt the luncheon in anyway. Volunteers to staff classrooms while the teachers enjoy the luncheon for an hour should be coordinated with your room parents.

Raccoon Run is this Saturday, May 9

Rocky is ready, are you??? Get those running shoes out and get ready...the 9th annual Raccoon Run benefiting Life with Cancer is just around the corner!

Rain or shine on May 9 at 8am the race will begin right here at Mantua, winding through our beautiful neighborhood. Includes prizes for all age categories, food and drink, t-shirts, Frizbees and waterbottles.

Sign up now at www.raccoonrun.mantuapta.org or mail your registration to 3800 Moss Brook Court Fx 22031. Meanwhile, keep those pledges coming! Prizes for the most donations. (Donation checks can be made payable to 'Life with Cancer'). And remember the class with the most race participants wins a pizza/ice cream party. Teachers count double!!

To volunteer, contact [Mary McCullough](#), for Kids Care Club information, contact [Amber McClain](#).

Any Questions contact [Jennifer Lewis-Cooper](#) 703.426.2490, or Joyce Montgomery, 703.323.5053
See you on Saturday, May 9th!

Upcoming Events For May and June

MAY:

- 5/6 - PTA Mtg 7:00 P.M.
- 5/7 - Brass Rubbings - 5th Grade
- 5/9 - Raccoon Run
- 5/11 - GT Orientation 2:00 P.M.
- 5/12 - Spring Picture Day
- 5/13 - Strings Spring Concert 7:00 P.M.
- 5/14 - Preschool FT - Uno's/Safeway
- 5/18 - SOL Testing - 3rd Grade - Reading
- 5/18 - Choral Spring Concert 7:00 P.M.
- 5/19 - SOL Testing - 3rd Grade - Reading
- 5/20 - FT 6th Grade - Hemlock
- 5/20 - SOL Testing - 4th Grade - Reading
- 5/21 - SOL Testing - 6th Grade - Reading
- 5/22 - SOL Testing - 5th Grade - Reading
- 5/25 - Memorial Day Holiday
- 5/26 - SOL Testing - 3rd Grade - Math
- 5/26 - Spring Band Concert 7:00 P.M.
- 5/27 - SOL Testing - 4th Grade - Math
- 5/28 - SOL Testing - 6th Grade - Math
- 5/29 - SOL Testing - 5th Grade - Math
- 5/29 - FT 6th Grade- Gettysburg

JUNE:

- 6/1 - SOL Testing - 3rd Grade - Science
- 6/2 - SOL Make Up Tests
- 6/3 - SOL Testing - 3rd Grade - Social Studies
- 6/3 - SOL Testing - 5th Grade - Science
- 6/3 - PTA Mtg 7:00 P.M.
- 6/4 - SOL Testing - 4th Grade - Social Studies
- 6/4 - SOL Testing - 6th Grade - History
- 6/5 - SOL Make Up Tests
- 6/5 - Grade 5 Play
- 6/5 - 6th Grade Musical - 7:00 P.M.
- 6/8 - 6th Grade Musical - Grades 3-5 - 9:15 A.M.
- 6/8 - 6th Grade Musical - Grades K-2 -10:30 A.M.
- 6/8 - Mentor Works EOY Celebration 12:15 P.M.
- 6/8 - SCA F/T 2:00 P.M.
- 6/9 - Field Day - K-2
- 6/10 - Field Day - 3-4

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6/11 -Field Day - 5- 6
6/12 -Volunteer Tea - Library
6/12 -TC EOY Picnic - Back Fields
6/15 -6th Grade Awards Ceremony Rehearsal
6/16 - Patrols & GMM Picnic
6/17 -6th Grade Awards Ceremony and Party
6/18 -Last Day of School/Report Cards Go Home

FCPS Kids' Campus hosted by Mantua ES

Kids' Campus is offered throughout the summer for students in grades K-6 at various elementary schools. This summer, Mantua ES has the honor of hosting "Zeta House" August 3-7. This camp features Chinese Language, Hip Hop, Art, Robotics, Cartooning, & Space Science, and will run from 9 am - 4 pm each day. Visit www.fcps.edu/aceclasses/KidsandTeens.htm for more Kids' Campus info and "Get an Edge" camps for grades 6-8.

Virtual Bookfair Starts This Week!

The Library and PTA are sponsoring an ONLINE Bookfair Monday May 4th through Friday May 22. Our bookfair vendor for many years, Bookworm Central, can make their entire warehouse of books and games available for shopping this way. Log on to www.bookwormcentral.com and type in "mantua" as your access code to start shopping for books and educational games. Your purchases will be available for pick up at school in early June. Thanks in advance for your generous support.

Alert News Contributions

Send items via email to alertnews@mantuapta.org; include "Alert" in the subject line. Submissions appreciated by the Friday before distribution.

For more information, please visit our website:

www.MantuaPTA.org

Sincerely,
Mantua Elementary School PTA

