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Welcome Incoming PTA Board

At the June PTA meeting the following parents were voted onto the PTA Executive Board: Lesley Kowalski, President; Lori Prendergast, returning Vice President of Programs; Shannon Murphy and Jennifer Epley, Co-Vice Presidents of Fundraising; Lori Recher, returning Secretary; Sandy Spector, returning Treasurer.

Lesley Kowalski Takes Over as PTA President

Lesley Kowalski, our new 2011-12 PTA president, has some big shoes to fill following Nicole Armstrong's excellent leadership for the past 2 years, but she is up to the challenge!

Lesley and her family returned to the Washington, DC, area in January 2010. She immediately and enthusiastically got involved with Mantua's PTA, helping out wherever she could. This year Lesley reintroduced a lunch time student book club for 4th - 6th graders, with parent leaders, known as "Chat 'n' Chew." Although not military, including Mantua Lesley has been involved with five different elementary schools, including two in Washington, DC, and two in Jefferson City, MO. With those varied experiences, Lesley is hoping to continue in Nicole's footsteps and where appropriate bring some "best practices" to the table. Lesley, and her husband Dan, have two sons - Walter a 3rd grader at Mantua, and Chester, a 7th grader at Frost Middle School. Lesley's Mantua experience, both in the community and the school, has been very positive and she will strive to do her part to ensure the same for all Mantua parents and students. Lesley can be reached at mantuaptaprez@gmail.com.

Sixth Grade Graduation and Party Information

This year's 6th grade graduation will be next Monday, June 20, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. The graduation party will be in the gym beginning at about 1 p.m. Only 6th graders are allowed to attend the party.

If you have not already done so, please send a check to your child's room parent for \$12 made payable to Melinda Burroughs. The money will be used to pay for 3 hours of food, drinks, photos and entertainment. In addition, make sure to return your child's permission slip to their teacher.

Donations of snack items for the munchies table are welcome! Please contact May Kheder at thekheders@yahoo.com if you would like to bake or buy treats for this.

Call for 6th Grade Students' Pictures

Pictures are being collected for a photo collage to be displayed during the 6th grade graduation party. If you have any pictures of the current 6th graders taken between kindergarten and 6th grade, not including class pictures, please send them in JPEG form to Pam Promisel at ppromisel@me.com by Thursday, June 16.

Very Last Chance for 6th Graders to Buy Yearbooks

If your child is a graduating 6th grader and has not ordered a yearbook, have them let their teacher know if they still need to order one. Preordered yearbooks will be given out next week.

All Library Books Are Due

Please help your child in returning overdue or misplaced library books to the Mantua Library. Ask your child if he or she has received an overdue notice and help them locate the listed library books to return to school. Students should speak to Ms. Sigle or Ms. Rojas if they have questions about items on their overdue notice.

New 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.

Important Upcoming Events

Wed. June 15: 6th Grade Musical, 7 p.m.

Mon. June 20: 6th Grade Graduation, 9:30 a.m.

Tues. June 21: Students dismissed at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Fairfax High School Boy's Basketball Camp

The Fairfax High School boys' basketball team is hosting Camp Rebel for rising 3rd-

11th graders July 18-July 22, and Aug. 1-5 for rising 3rd - 8th graders. Both sessions are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The camp is \$150 per session. For more information or to download the registration form, go to: www.fairfaxhighsports.org (under the Files & Links tab at the top). Contact Michael.Barbee@fcps.edu with questions.

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