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Important Upcoming Dates

November 11-18 (Friday- Friday): Book Fair

November 16 (Wednesday): **PTA Meeting, New Date 9:30-10:30 a.m.**

November 16 (Wednesday): Thanksgiving Luncheon, Grades K-3.

November 17 (Thursday): Thanksgiving Luncheon, Grade 4-6.

November 18 (Friday): Peter Pan Jr. by Mantua Drama Club, 7:00 p.m.

November 19 (Saturday): Peter Pan Jr. by Mantua Drama Club, 2:00 p.m.

November 21 (Monday): Human Growth and Development Lessons Preview, 6:00-7:00 p.m. in Library.

November 23 (Wednesday): 2 Hour Early Release.

November 24-25 (Thursday - Friday): Thanksgiving Break.

November 29 (Tuesday): AAP Parent Information Meeting, 5:00 p.m. in Room 30.

Deadlines

None

Book Fair

The annual Mantua Book Fair is a fantastic fundraiser for the Mantua School Library- proceeds from this sale go directly to the library to purchase more books and technology for our children. It's the perfect place to purchase holiday gifts for your family and friends, while benefiting our school. Your child will have the opportunity to browse at the Book Fair one day in class and return to make purchases another day.

Parents are invited to browse and shop as well. Hours are:

- Tuesday, November 15 - 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, November 16 - 9:00 a.m.-4:15 p.m.
- Thursday, November 17 - 9:00 a.m.-4:15 p.m.
- Friday, November 18th - 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

If you would like to volunteer at the Book Fair this year, please visit this sign-up genius link: fill a top

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e45aea92f4-book>

If you have any question, contact Julie Middleton at gmandjm@verizon.net.

Thanksgiving Luncheon Celebration

Dates of the event are as follows, for times check the flier sent home in the Tuesday Folder.

November 16 (Wednesday) Grades K-3.

November 17 (Thursday) Grade 4-6.

Family Life Education Instructional Program Information

Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) provides a comprehensive, sequential Family Life Education (FLE) program for students in grades K-12. Instruction is seen as a partnership among parents and guardians, the school, and the community in supporting the learning essential to the development of strong families, positive relationships, and a healthy community.

Parents/guardians may choose to opt their child out of all or part of the Family Life Education program. Students who are opted out are provided with age-appropriate, nonpunitive alternative health instruction, and every effort is made to foster respect for family choices. If you wish to opt your child out of all or part of FLE for this school year, opt out forms were sent home at Back to School Night or in the Tuesday folder following their evening and are available online at <http://www.fcps.edu/is/hpe/fle.shtml>. Please fill in the opt-out form and return it to your child's teacher prior to Family Life Education instruction, which will begin mid-December for 5th and 6th grade and second semester for K-4.

Detailed grade-level program descriptions are available online at <http://www.fcps.edu/is/hpe/fle.shtml>. FLE grade level-

specific lessons and media that FCPS has streaming rights for are available for parents online in FCPS 24-7 (Blackboard) Parent View. Account information is available at your local school or online at <http://bit.ly/1N2BUPl>. Grade level-specific lessons are also available at the Fairfax County Regional Library in the City of Fairfax (this location does not have media). Grade level-specific lessons and media that is not streamed online are available for review at your child's school library. Due to copyright restrictions, we are unable to stream all media online.

Program questions may be addressed at your child's school or by contacting Instructional Services at 571-423-4550 or by contacting Elizabeth Payne, Health and Physical Education Coordinator at etpayne@fcps.edu.

Preview Night: Human Growth and Development Lessons for 5th and 6th Graders

Beginning Monday, December 12th all 5th and 6th graders will be taking part in lessons on Human Growth and Development. The lessons will be taught in gender-separate groups by grade level teachers and specialists. The content is divided into 5 lessons and will be taught over 5 days. Any parent wishing to opt their child out of any or all of the lessons need to complete an opt-out form and return it to your child's teacher. A parent preview meeting will be held on Monday, November 21st, 2015 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Library for parents to preview the materials and talk with school staff about the program.

Room Parents Please Respond

If you are a Room Parent of the following teachers:

**Zimmerman, Garneski, Kostik, Cajati, DeRosa,
Smith, Lupari, Seripani, Lewis, Held, Chong, Boyd,
Hochsetetler**

Please reach out to Julie Johnston the Volunteer Coordinator at jjvoproductions@gmail.com with an email. We don't have confirmation of these teachers having room parents and want to make sure every class is covered. Thank you!

AAP Parent Information Meeting

The Advanced Academics Parent Information Meeting will be held at Mantua Elementary School on Tuesday, November 29th from 3:00-4:00 pm in room 30 (the Reading Room). The

Advanced Academic Resource Teacher, [Eva Bousbouras VSBousbouras@fcps.edu](mailto:VBousbouras@fcps.edu), will provide information about levels of service at Mantua, as well as explain and answer questions about the screening processes for Level IV services. The meeting is open to all parents of students in 2nd - 6th grade general education classes.

Mantua Drama Club Presents -- Peter Pan!

Faith, Trust ... and a little pixie dust! Come and see the magical story of Peter Pan come to life, November 18th and 19th. Mantua Drama Club presents PETER PAN JR! Tickets can be purchased at the door. Friday, November 18, 7:00 pm (Doors open at 6:30 pm). Saturday, November 19, 2:00 pm (Doors open at 1:30 pm). Bring your family and friends and watch these wonderful students create magic right before your eyes!

Bus Delay Notification System

Beginning September 6 parents may access the system [here](#) or use the FCPS Mobile App to receive the delayed bus report. Morning route information will be available until noon. The afternoon route information will be available from 1-5 p.m.

Shopping Online?

Anyone (parents, family and friends) who shops on Amazon can effortlessly earn money for Mantua ES by simply using a special Amazon link on Mantua PTA website. No sign-ups or codes required, no loyalty cards to manage - just click, shop, and watch the contributions to Mantua ES come in! Help us cast a wider net by sharing the links with friends and family. Go to <http://www.mantuapta.org> and click either Amazon or 4ourschool.

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!

- للحصول على نسخة مترجمة للغة العربية، نرجو الإتصال بالأخت بدرية كفالة على هذا الإيميل: bkafala@gmail.com. If you need to have a document translated into Arabic, please email bkafala@gmail.com.

- Если вам необходимо перевести документ на русский язык, пожалуйста обращайтесь к Анне Жердецкой или Виктору Жердецкому по электронной почте: hannaz74@gmail.com или ViktarZ@gmail.com. If you need to have a document translated into Russian, please contact Hanna Zhardzetskaya and Viktar Zhardzetski.
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Email Lisa Libby at lisa.a.libby@gmail.com if you have any questions or would like to volunteer as an ambassador or translator with Mantua ES's Community Building Network.

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