



Mantua PTA Alert News December 7, 2010



Early Release Wednesday Before Winter Break

Mantua will close two hours early (at 1:40 p.m.) on Dec. 22.

Winter Break is Dec. 23-31

The front office will be closed during that time.

Lost and Found (But Mostly Lost)

The Lost and Found is overflowing! There are many jackets, sweatshirts, and lunch boxes that we'd like to return home. Please take the time to check for your belongings before Dec. 22 - the last day of school for the year. Kids Care Club will be donating all unclaimed items.

Picture Make-Up Day This Thursday, Dec. 9

Picture make ups are for students who either missed the original picture day, or who want to have their picture retaken. Envelopes will be in the front office, but will not be sent home again. If you already have had pictures taken but would like them retaken, the complete set of pictures must be returned on the make up day to exchange for a set of new pictures. The original pictures will be sent home in your child's Tuesday folder.

Alice In Wonderland DVDs Available

Alice In Wonderland DVD's now available! Place your order now for your copy/copies of Mantua's recent Drama Club production of Alice in Wonderland in order to receive them before the holiday break! Click [here](#) for the order form.

Mantua Magnets For Sale

Show your school spirit everywhere you go with a Mantua Elementary School car magnet on your vehicle! An order form was sent in your child's Tuesday folder. Additional order forms are available at the PTA information table in the front

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lobby. Return completed forms with a check made payable to the Mantua PTA. Magnets are \$6 each. Two or more magnets are \$5 each. Purchased magnets will be sent home in your child's Tuesday folder. Allow a week for delivery.

Art Reflections Results

PTA Art Reflections Cluster 3 Results are in! Seven Mantua student entries were sent to the next level of judging. These students won the following awards at the cluster level:

Outstanding Interpretation (1st place)

Kayley Snyder for Film Production, intermediate grades (3rd-5th)

Kayley's entry will now go on to the district level judging.

Award of Excellence (2nd place)

Amelia Kim for Visual Arts, primary grades (K-2nd)

John DeCarlo for Visual Arts, middle grades (6th-8th grades)

Award of Merit (3rd place)

Vijay Suruthikha for Musical Composition, primary grades (K-2nd)

Sammy Hong for Visual Arts, intermediate grades (3rd-5th)

Congratulations to all students who participated in this year's Art Reflections program.

Parenting Workshop This Thursday

Neil McNerney, licensed professional counselor and family therapist, will present the following workshop - Parenting with Purpose: Being a Powerful Parent While Keeping Your Cool - at Mantua on Thursday, Dec. 9, at 7 p.m. McNerney is a certified parenting coach and the director of training for The ScreamFree Institute. His workshop features the ScreamFree model developed by best-selling author, Hal Runkel (www.screamfree.com). The workshop focuses on nontraditional parenting techniques to help reduce stress and create positive family relationships. Registration forms have been sent home in your child's Tuesday folder, and also are posted on the Mantua PTA website [here](#). Contact Margaret Scheele at Margaret.Scheele@yahoo.com with questions, or for more information.

Important Upcoming Events

Thurs. 12/9: Make-up picture day

Thurs. 12/9: Parent Education Workshop, library, 7 p.m.

Mon. 12/20: Winter Choral Concert, 7 p.m.

Wed. 12/22: Holiday Sing-a-Long, gym, 9:30 a.m.

Wed. 12/22: School closes early (1:40 p.m.) for winter break

Thurs. 12/23 - Fri. 12/31: Winter Break

Woodson Winter Baseball Training Camp

Woodson Winter Baseball Camp for ages 7-14 (grades 2-8) will be held Sundays Jan. 16, 23, 30 and Feb. 6 from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Campers will receive instruction and repetition designed to better prepare them for their Little League/AAU spring tryouts and season. Woodson's coaching staff, along with several current and former players, will work with each camper. Each session will offer a 6 to 1 (or less) camper to instructor ratio. Campers will receive overall skill development and instruction in hitting, bunting, base running, fielding and throwing mechanics. For questions, contact Coach Chris Warren, 703-217-6629, Chris.Warren@fcps.edu, or Coach Danny Kallick, 703-624-2937, Danny.Kallick@fcps.edu. Registration deadline is Jan. 3. Space is limited so register early. Click [here](#) for registration forms.

Woodson High School Jams for Pakistan

In an effort to help the millions of people affected by July's massive flooding in Pakistan, Woodson High School DECA will host a concert at Jammin' Java in Vienna on Wednesday, Dec. 8, at 7:30 p.m. The concert proceeds will benefit the relief efforts in Pakistan. Tickets for the concert can be purchased for \$12 prior to the show, and \$15 at the door. Click [here](#) for more information.

Alert News Contributions

Send items via email to alertnews@mantuapta.org.

Submissions MUST be received by the Friday before distribution in order to be included.

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Mantua Elementary School PTA

