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Important Upcoming Dates

May 25 (Thursday): 4th grade spring strings concert, 7:00 p.m.

May 26 (Friday): **Two Hour Early Release.**

May 29 (Monday): Memorial Day, No School.

June 2 (Friday): Movie Night, SING in the gym, 6:30-8:30.

June 14 & 15 (Wed/Thursday): Field Day.

Deadlines

May 24 (Wednesday) : Last day for Box Tops.

Field Day 2017 Volunteers

Volunteers Needed for Mantua Field Day 2017! Field Day is an exciting event at Mantua ES that all of the children look forward to! In order to have Field Day work, we need volunteers for every class! Check the [SignUpGenius](#) to make sure your child's class is covered, if not, consider taking a shift! Dates are June 14th morning for K-2 and afternoon for grades 3-4 and June 15th morning for grades 5-6. Volunteers walk from station to station with the students, help encourage sportsmanship, clarify rules if needed, and keep score. It's a very fun time to spend with your child and his/her classmates! Please sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/lfgcq4y>

Mantua SCA Movie Night – SING

The SCA Invites you to a School Wide Movie Night!! Mantua SCA Movie Night Presents SING Friday, June 2, 2017 6:30-8:30pm in the Mantua Gym? Doors open at 6:00 pm \$3.00 per ticket Pizza available by pre-order ONLY Look for the Mantua Movie Night Ticket & Pizza Order Form in your Tuesday Folder or [Click HERE to print](#). If you would like

to volunteer at this fun event, please [click HERE for the signup genius](#). Thank you! **A portion of the proceeds will go to the Kids Care Club food drive Questions? Contact Mr. Collins at bpcollins@fcps.edu

Yearbook Sales

Parents: there are just a few days left to order yearbooks online at jostens.com. Please make sure to order in the next two weeks so your child will have memories from this wonderful school year!

Thank You Raccoon Run!

THANKS to over 250 runners, Rocky, the Kids Care Club, volunteers and those who supported the 17th annual Raccoon Run, we donated over \$8000 to Life with Cancer!! Ms Sottolano's class won for the most participants and will celebrate with Pizza and Ice Cream Sundaes and Henry Hallmark and Anders Phippen were winners of the Pledge program. Thank you to everyone for all the support. See you on May 12, 2018 for #18!!

Eco-Tip of the Week

- Save your ocean friends! Take the No Plastic Straw Pledge, you can find the link to sign up at the bottom of this website: <http://www.momscleanairforce.org/ditch-plastic-straws/> Over 500 million plastic straws are used DAILY in the US. Even when you think a straw is being thrown away, there are good chances the straw will end up as litter or disintegrate into tiny pieces called microplastic that find their way into our waters. Microplastic pollution is becoming one of the most insidious forms of contamination, harming marine life and polluting waters. Make a personal commitment to say "No" to plastic straws. Whenever ordering a drink, politely request "no straw, please." Encourage your friends and family to take the pledge, too! Watch the movie Plastic Oceans [here](#) to learn more about the effects of plastic on our oceans and what you can do to take action.
- Did you know that LED lights are 80% more efficient than traditional incandescent bulbs? Even better they last 25 to 35 times longer than traditional bulbs and the cost has dropped significantly in recent years. For a fun family project identify the highest use bulbs in

your house (kids' rooms, recessed lights, bathroom lights, etc.), unscrew (carefully), and take them to the hardware store to find a match! Save money, and help save the environment! Old LEDs and incandescents can be thrown in the trash. However, if you're replacing a compact fluorescent bulb (CFL), they contain mercury and need to be disposed of as hazardous waste. Unbroken CFLs (which screw into standard lamp sockets) may be taken to the returns desk of any Home Depot Store. Fluorescent tubes and bulbs are accepted at the county household hazardous waste sites during scheduled hours.

New Pollinator Garden at Mantua

This weekend a group of volunteers led by Ms. Sullivan came out to plant, wheelbarrow, dig, design the garden, stake up milkweed, lay bricks, paint the rain barrel, transplant, weed, procure supplies and plants, make runs to the pollinator garden, water, shovel compost, and help out in so many other ways. Our newest native garden looks fantastic!

Special recognition to teachers Ms. Cajati and Mrs. Boehman for their behind the scenes work in bringing this schoolyard habitat to fruition, Christine Clifford for laying out the design, and Kati Hesford for sharing her expertise and enthusiasm every step of the way. See some pictures of the event and final garden below.



Mantua Parade and Picnic

Is your Mantua group or club, Girl, Cub or Boy Scout interested in participating in a parade? It's time again for the annual Mantua parade and picnic which will be held Sat, Jun,

3, 2017, from 11:30 - 2:00, rain or shine. The Mantua Citizens' Association and the Mantua Swim and Tennis Club are pleased to co-sponsor this annual community event. Parade steps off at 11:30 AM followed by a picnic at Mantua Swim and Tennis Club. All children and their parents are welcome to march or ride bikes in the parade. There will be special prizes for best decorated bikes, wagons, or strollers. The picnic will begin after the parade with food, fun, swimming, and games for everyone! This is a community event and all Mantua residents are welcome to join in both the parade and the picnic. Many volunteers are needed to make this a great event, if you'd like to help, [sign up here](#) Any questions about parade participation, email Kristina Clarke at tkmoaclarke@gmail.com. Any other questions about the picnic or parade, please email [WelcomeToMantua@gmail.com](mailto>WelcomeToMantua@gmail.com)

Lost and Found Reminder

There is a large collection of coats, sweaters, hats, gloves, lunch bags, water bottles and other personal belongings in the lost and found. Unfortunately many of these items will never be claimed because they have no name on them. Please be sure to label all personal items with at least your last name before they come to school. If you want to check the lost and found it is now in the cafeteria.

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!

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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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