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Important Upcoming Dates

November 9-16: Book Fair, times are listed below.

November 9-19: Mantua Food Drive.

November 14 (Wednesday): Thanksgiving Luncheon, Grades K-

November 15 (Thursday): Thanksgiving Luncheon, Grades 4-6. November 16 (Friday): Mary Poppins Jr., 7pm. Last Day to

check Lost and Found!

November 17 (Saturday): Mary Poppins Jr. 2pm.

November 21-23: School CLOSED - Thanksgiving Holiday.

November 27 (Tuesday): 5th & 6th Grade Family Life Education

parent preview, 6-7 pm, Library.

November 30 (Friday): Fall Picture Makeup Day.

Mantua Book Fair

VOLUNTEER- We cannot run our fabulous book fair without parent volunteers, and we are in need of more volunteers!! Please consider volunteering before or after your child's Thanksgiving luncheon to help the PTA earn money for new library resources.

We will also be open two evenings this year and need volunteers to help.

See sign-up below:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e45a8ad22a7fc1-mantua1

DONATE- Mantua is helping flood victims impacted by

Hurricane Florence by giving the gift of reading! Please purchase NEW books at our marvelous Book Fair that will be donated to Parkton Elementary School in North Carolina. Parkton was damaged by the hurricane and needs help rebuilding its school library. Drop-off box in the library.

SUPPORT- Please visit the Mantua Book Fair this week to purchase gifts for friends and family. Proceeds from this sale go directly to the library to purchase more books and technology for our children.

We are open the following hours this week:

Tuesday, November 13 - 9:00 a.m.-7:45 p.m.* Wednesday, November 14 - 9:00 a.m.-7:45 p.m.* Thursday, November 15- 9:00 a.m.-4:15 p.m. Friday, November 16th - 9:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

*Open late for after work shopping.

Questions, email Chanda McCarthy at chandaodo2@gmail.com.

Just a Spoon Full of Sugar Makes this

Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious!

Join Jane and Michael, Burt, Bees, and Sweeps as they travel along the streets of London in the magical world of MARY POPPINS!

The Mantua Elementary School Drama Club is proud to present MARY POPPINS, jr. **November 16 at 7pm** and **November 17 at 2pm**. Doors open 30 minutes before showtime. Tickets on sale at the door.

Pre-order Your Yearbook!!!

We are partnering with Scherling for our yearbook this year. Yearbooks are just \$25!

Order yours today! www.virginia.preorderphotos.com

click the link then enter the code: **T79YW4. Add Yearbook to cart. Choose backgroud A then add to cart again. Click next and follow the rest of the instructions!!**

Frost's 5th annual Falcons on the Run 5K and Fun Run

Frost's 5th annual Falcons on the Run 5K and Fun Run is **Nov 17th**. This event serves as Frost's single school-wide fundraiser, but more importantly as an opportunity to bring our communities together for a morning of building connections, fun, and fitness. Frost's event also supports the Hope for the Warriors organization that supports many of our local military families and Frost's Food 4 Thought food pantry that provides food to those in need over weekends and holidays. Bring a nonperishable food item to donate the day of the event. New this year, Fairfax County Sheriff's department will be present to offer FREE Child ID Cards. Visit the event site or reach out to Laura Reed (lareed@fcps.edu) to learn more about participating, volunteering, donating, sponsoring, or other opportunities.

https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/Fairfax/FrostMiddleSchoolFalconsontheRun5KandFunRun

Mantua Reflections Contest Winners and Award Ceremony

Congratulations to our Mantua Reflections Art Contest Winners and thank you to every student who entered! We will hold an award ceremony on Tuesday December 4th at 6 pm in the school cafeteria. Please mark your calendars! Winners will receive trophies, all entrants will receive prizes, there will be pizza and refreshments, a guest speaker, and you'll get a chance to see all the creative entries. We hope you can join us!

Congratulations to:

Abigail Stern, Anne Brady, and Keira Cheng (Literature); Genevieve Cheng, Chenfei Zhou, and Keira Cheng (Photography);

Genevieve Cheng and Ava Neuhauser (Dance);

Genevieve Cheng (Film);

Sagar Kapadia (Music);

Talia Grumet, Kaylee Bryson, and Keira Cheng (Visual Arts);

Anne Brady (Photography 2nd Place);

Darren Theobald (Music 2nd Place);

Chenfei Zhou and Brianna Nguyen (Discretionary Award with opportunity to be published in an art book)!

http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/dtf/2018-

19/flyers/programs/reflections/photo-winners.pdf

Reflections Theme Search Contest Entries Due 11/20

The PTA Reflections Theme Search is underway! Entries are due Tuesday November 20 in the PTA Reflections mailbox in the school office. Submit a unique, focused phrase to inspire students who participate in the National PTA Reflections art contest in a future year. The student who submits the winning entry will receive \$100 prize from National PTA. Use the entry form link below to submit your theme. Thank you and good luck!

http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/dtf/2018-19/flyers/programs/reflections/theme-search.pdf

Why Support the Mantua PTA?

Click below to see where our money was spent last year and what we have in store for this year! https://tinyurl.com/ya3ahgxj

Consider joining the Mantua PTA! Cost is only \$15 per family (tax deductible).

Visit the registration website for more information.

Food Drive

Beginning **Friday November 9 through to November 19th** Mantua is running food drive. We are looking for nonperishable items such as cans, boxes and bags. No food in glass containers please. Soup, canned veggies, pasta, rice, cereal, even Halloween candy (if there is any left). Students should bring the food to their teachers who will keep track of the amounts.

Parents Night Out

Friday, December 7th at 6:00 p.m.

Woodson High School Cafeteria A and B

Do you need a night off to go shopping for the holidays, have a date night or just put your feet up? Then Woodson Parent's Night Out is for you! Simply drop your elementary school child off. Your child will enjoy a fun-filled evening that will include arts and crafts, games, a pizza party dinner and a movie.

Pick up is at 9:30 p.m. Space is limited so register early to reserve your spot! All profits will go to support Woodson Math Center, a program that provides free peer math tutoring. Cost: \$35 per child. Early Bird Discount (by November 16th) \$30 per child. Family discount: \$35 for the first child, \$30 for each additional child. In order to register, please mail back a completed registration form (2 pages) for each child along with a check made out to W.T. Woodson HS to Woodson High School c/o Valerie Silver.

Questions: Email Valerie Silver at <u>vmsilver@fcps.edu</u>. <u>Registration form</u>.

Reminder About Early Dismissals

As shared in the first day folders, children will not be called out of class for early dismissal after 3:40pm and cannot be released to anyone other than a parent unless that person is on the emergency care card. The exception to the emergency care card requirement would be a release authorized by the parent through an email to mantuaesattendance@fcps.edu received prior to 1pm that day.

For "play dates" notes from parents of both the visitor and the host will be required for students planning to go home with a friend or neighbor after school. Students without corresponding notes will follow their typical dismissal plan.

Lost and Found

There is a large number of items in the lost and found. All personal items brought to school should be labeled including lunch boxes, water bottles, jackets, coats, sweaters, etc. The lost and found is currently located outside the gym, please check there for any missing personal items. All items left in the lost and found after **November 16** will be donated to charity.

New this year: Looking to buy a Chromebook?

New this year! Looking to buy a Chromebook? Dell will donate 5% of your purchase to Mantua Elementary, plus free shipping and price match guarantee! Just use this special

link: www.dell.com/MantuaPTA

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 the Amazon link before beginning your shopping and Amazon will donate to our school. The link is located in the upper right corner of PTA website and also further down under "passive fundraising".

Link Your Grocery Loyalty to Raise Money for the School

You can easily help our school by linking your grocery loyalty cards from Harris Teeter and Giant. Based on your purchases those merchants then send checks to the school. WOW! Please see flyer for details.

http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/dtf/2018-19/flyers/fundraisers/passive/grocery.pdf as well as the flyer link: http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/dtf/2018-19/flyers/fundraisers/passive/dell.pdf

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!

- الحصول على نسخة مترجمة للغة العربية، نرجو الإتصال بالأخت بدرية ولحصول على نسخة مترجمة للغة العربية، نرجو الإتصال بالأخت بدرية وbn@mantuapta.org. If you need to have a document translated into Arabic, please email cbn@mantuapta.org.
- Если вам необходимо перевести документ на русский язык, пожалуйста обращайтесь к Анне Жердецкой или Виктору Жердецкому по электронной почте: cbn@mantuapta.org или <a href="ma
- 혹시 한국어로 번역된 자료가 필요하시면 좌승관씨에게

연락주세요(<u>cbn@mantuapta.org</u>.) If you need to have a document translated into Korean, please contact Lisa Libby.

• Para obtener una copia en Espanol favor de contactar a Lisa Libby at cbn@mantuapta.org. If you need to have a document translated into Spanish, please contact Lisa Libby.

Email Lisa Libby at **cbn@mantuapta.org** 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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