

creative city

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****IMPORTANT 4th GRADE PARENT MEETING****

Monday, Feb 5, 6:00pm

Getting reading for PARCC
Middle School Choice and why it matters THIS YEAR
A discussion about potential middle grades at Creative City

Note from our SVA President

Thanks to all for donated, volunteered and attended our Moana movie night! Ok, so we all know the music by heart, but it was about the kids, the community, the hotdogs and the funds we raised.



We raised several hundred dollars (exact amount TBD) for POTPOURRI MATERIALS. Students have been engaged in our first- ever Potpourri (interest-based elective) sessions on Wednesdays for a few weeks. Now that Potpourri is underway, we can clearly see what materials are needed over and above what is in our general supply cabinet. Groups need yarn for crochet, materials to build bird feeders, pots and seeds for planting, and much more. We hope to provide a \$100 budget per activity.

Smoothing Out Processes for Visitors and Volunteers!

We love our volunteers and always welcome visitors. It is understandable that adult guests in the building and the classroom can sometimes distract our students. To limit the distraction to students, we are fine-tuning our processes.

SAME AS BEFORE:

- 1) Adult guests must still always sign in at the Main Office.
- 2) Adult guests must always wear a completed visitor's badge while in the building.

NEW ADDITIONS:

- 1) The Main Office will call into the classroom receiving the guest before the guest leaves the office. This will make the guest's entry into the classroom less surprising for the teacher and the class, and allow instruction to continue more fluidly.
- 2) The front office will know in advance if scheduled volunteers are coming in, and those volunteers can go straight to the classroom once they sign in.

Computer Tutors Needed!

Who: Creative City Staff and the CCPCS Teaching & Learning Committee

What: Need 10 Volunteers to work with groups of 2-3 children on their computer skills in preparation for PARCC and other computer-based activities

When: Tuesdays *or* Thursdays from 3:15 to 4:15, February – April

Where: Creative City in Classrooms (TBD)

Why: Our 3rd-5th graders take the annual PARCC test on computers in the spring. They need to have basic typing, mouse-usage, and computer-based activity skills to fully demonstrate their reading, Writing, and Mathematics skills.

A volunteer training will be held Tuesday January 30th at 3:30 pm.

For more information, or to sign up contact Rebecca Pobee, TLC co-chair at rebpcbee@gmail.com.

Lottery and Enrollment Information

Enrollment Season is upon us at Creative City. The deadline for lottery applications is quickly approaching on February 2. If your child has a sibling that will be coming to Creative City next fall, now is the time to apply!

You can pick up an application in the Community School Office or apply online at

www.creativecityschool.org/enrollment.

Also, please help spread the word. We have yard signs available and cards to distribute to friends and family, preschools, and anywhere else you can think of! Please contact Ashley Hoard at (443) 642-3612 or by email at ahoard@bcps.k12.md.us if you would like to help in this way!

Vegetarian Cafeteria Options

Our cafeteria staff is pleased to announce that there are more vegetarian options in the kitchen: hummus and pita and black bean burgers. Students should ask Ms. Waters or her staff if they are interested in these new items.

Look Ahead to the Next Two Weeks

21	22 Food Pantry 9am-10am CCPCS Board Meeting 6:00pm	23 Food Pantry 9am-10am Facilities Meeting 3:15pm Prospective Family Open House 6:30pm	24 Early Dismissal 12:45pm	25	26 NO SCHOOL Professional Development for Staff	27
28	29 Equity Workgroup 5:00pm- 6:00pm	30	31 Early Dismissal 12:45pm	1	2 Lottery Application Deadline	3

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