Staff Basketball Game!

The EVENT of the YEAR!

Cunningham Park ES vs Mosby Woods ES

STAFF BASKETBALL GAME!

When: Thursday April 14th, 6:30pm
Where: Oakton High School
Cost: $1 per person or $5 per family
      (all money goes to the Lamb Center)

Wear your SPIRIT WEAR
Shirts and pom-poms will be sold at the game

All children must be supervised by a parent or guardian.

See you there!

Project Based Learning

The third grade team welcomed parents to see their research and display of information on Famous Americans. Students did research through project-based learning and presented to their audience using technology, art, writing, music and other multimedia tools. It was a great night that showed how much our students are learning and how talented they are in presenting information in an interesting way.

USE THAT BUS!

It’s a safe and easy way to get to and from school! Many days with 1,000 students and one driving entrance, traffic from Kiss and Ride can back-up in both directions on Five Oaks Road. We strongly encourage you to use school bus transportation—it’s a great system and a valuable service!
Great Learning Opportunity for Parents

Please join us for an evening parent presentation led by Patti Page, a Behavior Intervention Teacher for Fairfax County Public Schools. Ms. Page will be discussing the behavior management system 1-2-3 Magic created by Dr. Thomas Phelan. 1-2-3 Magic is a positive behavior management program that has shown to be beneficial in reducing power struggles and redirecting behavior. Parents or caregivers will walk away from this presentation ready to use 1-2-3 Magic with children. Mrs. Page will do her presentation at the beginning of the PTA meeting on April 19th at 6:30 p.m. in the Mosby Woods library.

Important Immunization Requirements
For Entry Into Sixth Grade

Effective July 1, 2014, all students in Virginia must receive a booster dose of the Tdap vaccine prior to entering sixth grade.

Please check your child’s immunization records carefully. If your child is required to have a Tdap booster, we ask that you provide documentation to the school prior to June 17, 2016. This documentation can be a copy of your child’s immunization record, or a note from your physician listing the date of his/her most recent Tdap. The Tdap booster can be obtained from your child’s physician. Immunizations required for school are also available at the Fairfax County Health Department. Clinic locations and walk-in hours are available online at http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd/hdclinicsite.htm. Students receiving immunizations at the Health Department must be accompanied by an adult, and students should bring their immunization records to the Health Department clinic with them.

It is most important that you attend to this matter soon. Sixth graders cannot begin school in the fall without documentation of having had the Tdap booster.

Please contact the school public health nurse at 703-937-1600 if you have any questions.

Mark Your Calendars!

April 21st is a 2 hour early dismissal!!

SOL (Standards of Learning) Testing Schedule

3rd Grade:
05/17-18 – Reading
05/27 – Math

4th Grade:
05/23-24 – Reading
06/01 – Math
06/06 – History

5th Grade:
05/19-20 – Reading
05/25 – Science
06/03 -- Math

6th Grade:
05/16 – Reading
06/07 – Math

Screening for School-Based Advanced Academic (LEVEL II-III) Services

Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) offers a continuum of advanced academic services for all students in grades K-8. Learning experiences are designed to develop higher-level thinking through enrichment, acceleration, and extensions of the Program of Studies (POS). Teachers, administrators, and advanced academic resource teachers (AARTs) work together to provide the following levels of school-based services in each elementary school:

- Critical and Creative Thinking Lessons, Grades K-6 (Level I)
  All students in kindergarten through grade six receive level I services which consist of model lessons that are designed to teach critical and creative thinking skills. The lessons are modeled in all classrooms by AARTs and the thinking strategies are then used throughout the year by classroom teachers and other teachers who work with students. Student responses to these model lessons are used as part of the identification
process for AAP services. Parents may also practice the thinking strategies during family conversations and activities. A description of the nine critical and creative thinking strategies can be found at http://www.fcps.edu/is/aap/level1.shtml.

- Differentiated Lessons in Areas of Academic Strength, Grades K-6 (Level II)
  The AART collaborates with classroom teachers to provide additional challenge through lessons and resources that extend and enrich the POS. Level II services are part of a talent development pool. Students are rescreened annually to make decisions about the need for this level of service.

- Part-Time Advanced Academic Programs, Grades 3-6 (Level III)
  Students identified by a local school screening committee for part-time advanced academic services are challenged through models and strategies designed to extend and enrich the POS in the four core subject areas. Students receive direct instruction from the AART at the local school using curriculum from the AAP Curriculum and Resources to Support the Differentiated Framework. Students identified for Level III services continue to receive level III services through grade 6.

Screening for school-based services can happen at any time during the school year but is done schoolwide in spring to determine services for the next school year. Parents or guardians may initiate the screening for school-based (level II and III) services by submitting the AAP School-Based Services (Level II-III) Referral Form (available at www.fcps.edu/is/aap under “Forms”) to the AART at Mosby Woods prior to spring screening by April 28th. Multiple criteria are used to screen students for all levels of AAP services. Parents or guardians who submit a referral will be notified by May 31st of their student’s eligibility status.

If a parent or guardian wishes to appeal an ineligible decision, they may submit an appeal with new data for consideration by the local school screening committee. This new information should be submitted to Carole Linehan.

If you have any questions, please contact Carole Linehan at calinehan@fcps.edu.

Dates to Remember
April 7 & 8 – Spring Picture Day
April 12-4th grade PBL for parents 2 p.m.
April 14 – Staff Basketball Game 6:30 p.m. Oakton High School
April 19- PTA meeting and Presentation about 1,2,3 Magic Behavior Plan 6:30 p.m.
April 20- 4th grade to Kennedy Center
April 21 – Early dismissal 1:00 p.m.
  Kindergarten Orientation 2pm
April 22 – Teacher Work Day
April 26- AAP Center Orientation 9a.m.
April 27- Kindergarten PBL for parents 2 p.m.
  1st and 2nd grade PBL for parents 6 p.m.
April 27, 28 and 29 – Scholastic Book Fair
May 16 – June 8 – SOL Testing