Toys for Teachers

Mosby Woods’ teachers celebrate with games for indoor recess that we received as a result of cashing in two years of collected bottle tops from Coke products.

Musical Performances

The month of December is filled with music in so many ways. Please join us for one of our holiday musical performances. This is a great opportunity to see some wonderful musical gifts and talents of our students and to celebrate Mosby Woods as a CETA (Changing Education Through the Arts) school. The concerts will be a great way to ring in the holiday season.

December 10th – Chorus performance at the National Zoo during Zoo Lights (5:30 pm, 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm)
December 11th – Advanced Band/Strings Concert at 7:00 pm Mosby Woods
December 15th – Chorus Concert at 7:00 pm at Luther Jackson Middle School
December 17th – Selected Chorus to Lockheed Martin

Come and support our mustangs!

College Financial Planning Event for K-12 Parents and Senior Students

Mosby Woods parents should plan to attend Oakton High School for “Plan Today. Pave the Way…to a College Education” on the night of Thursday, January 8th (time TBD). This event is a collaboration of the counseling departments of Oakton High School and the elementary and middle schools that feed into the high school. Three expert presenters will share information appropriate to the various grade levels in breakout sessions for elementary and middle school parents; 9th through 11th grade parents; and senior students and their parents. Seniors and their parents will have the opportunity to complete the online FAFSA form and should bring paperwork/information necessary for that process. Child care and Spanish language translation will be provided. Contact Mosby Woods Counselor Bridget Kraft for more information. 703-937-1679  blkraft@fcps.edu

World Language Immersion Program

Fairfax County parents have the opportunity to register their rising first grade student for the immersion program. The first grade immersion programs in French, German, Japanese, Korean, and Spanish are offered at: Kent Gardens, Orange Hunt, Fox Mill, Great Falls, Colin Powell, Bailey’s, Fort Hunt, Lake Anne, Laurel Ridge, London Towne, Ravensworth, and Rose Hill elementary schools. Registration is open to all rising first graders living in Fairfax County. Please be aware that FCPS does not provide transportation for students who reside outside the attendance area of the immersion schools.

Information about the program, the registration process, and the schedule of meetings can be found online at: http://www.fcps.edu/is/worldlanguage/immersion.shtml#Anchor-Credit-21968

The online registration period will be open January 2, 2015, through February 13, 2015. If you do not have access to a computer, you can make an appointment to register with the World Language team by calling 571-423-4602 or obtain a paper application from the school office.
Level IV Advanced Academic Program Identification Process

The Advanced Academic Program for students in grades three through eight offers identified students a full-time, highly challenging instructional program that follows the FCPS Program of Studies. Differentiation in the depth, breadth, and pace of instruction is designed to meet the needs of advanced learners with a strong emphasis on problem solving, independent and group research, investigations, and higher level thinking skills. Each spring FCPS uses the results of the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) and the Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test (NNAT) to select a second grade pool of candidates for the AAP or Level IV Advanced Academic Services. Parents of these students receive a letter of notification that their child will be screened for possible placement in Level IV AAP. Parents of students in grades 2-6 may also submit a parent referral form to begin the screening process for their child.

Testing is only one component of the screening and selection process. The AAP resource teacher, Mrs. Linehan, prepares a screening file for each student that is being considered for Level IV AAP services. The file consists of the student's ability test scores, achievement test scores, progress reports, and a Gifted Behavior Rating Scale with Commentary, completed by teachers who work with the student. Parents may also submit a Parent/Guardian Questionnaire and/or up to five samples of student work and/or up to five awards (all must be no larger than 8½ x 11).

Parents and guardians of students currently in grades 2-6 are invited to learn more about the Advanced Academic Program screening process and parent referral deadlines for the 2015-2016 school year. Detailed information will be provided during a parent meeting on January 8th, 2015 from 6:30-7:30 pm in the library.

Referrals for Level IV/Full-time AAP services are due on February 3, 2015 and eligible students will begin receiving services in the fall of 2015. Additional information is available on the FCPS AAP web site:

http://www.fcps.edu/is/aap/index.shtml
Mosby Woods AAP website:
http://www.fcps.edu/MosbyWoodsES/aap.html
To download the parent information packet:
http://www.fcps.edu/is/aap/forms/fcps.shtml

For more information please contact Carole Ann Linehan, Advanced Academic Resource Teacher at calinehan@fcps.edu

Donate a Bike

When: December 13, 2014
Where: James Madison High School
2500 James Madison Drive
Vienna, VA 22181
Sponsored by: Environmental Club & Girl Scout Troop 6910
For more information visit www.wheels-to-africa.org or email Dixie.duncan94@gmail.com

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December 18th – Sing Along Assembly
1 pm – K – 3rd grade
2 pm – 4 – 6th grade
December 19th – 2 hours early release- 12:55 p.m.
December 22nd – January 2nd – Winter Break

Holiday Office Hours

The office will be CLOSED during the winter break, from December 22nd through January 2nd.
Happy Holidays!

Mark Your Calendar!

December 19th dismissal is at 12:55 pm!