UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Monday Feb 21**
  - Snow Make-up Day – 8:40-3:20 *NO EARLY RELEASE*

- **Tuesday Feb 22**
  - 3:25-4:25 Chess Group, Café

- **Wednesday, Feb 23**
  - 3:30-4:30 GEMS
  - 3:30-4:30 PTA Mad Science
  - 3:45-4:30 Writer’s Block Grade 3&4

- **Thursday, Feb 24**
  - 7:00-7:30 Beginning Strings Concert, Café

- **Friday, Feb 25**
  - 4th Grade Field Trip
  - 2:15-3:15 Parent Volunteer Hour

SNOW MAKE-UP DAY – Monday February 21st

Due to the recent snow days, Monday, February 21, will now be a makeup day for all Fairfax County Public Schools students. All schools and offices will be open. Elementary schools will follow a full-day schedule with no early dismissal. SACC programs will operate on a regular schedule. Schools will be open for community use.

K-6 - 8:40-3:20
AM PS - 9:15-12:30
PM PS - 12:30-3:45
PAC - 9:15-3:45

NOTE FROM THE HEALTH ROOM

It is our concern to promote quality health for the students in our school and to control and manage communicable diseases. In cooperation with the Fairfax County Health Department, we are sending this health information letter home because head lice have been discovered in your child's school. Although head lice do not transmit any diseases, they are, nevertheless, a nuisance and can cause intense itching and discomfort.

The school will be making every effort to control the spread of head lice. You will be notified immediately if lice are discovered in your child's hair.
Anyone, regardless of personal hygiene, can contract head lice. Head lice are easily passed among children through infested caps, scarfs, clothing, combs, brushes, stuffed toys, etc. They can be passed from one person to another during play or other close contact.

Itching is a common sign of lice. Adult head lice are very small and hard to find, but their eggs, called nits, are much easier to see. Nits are small, white, oval sacs, no larger than the head of a pin, that firmly attach themselves to a person's hair. Though nits look like dandruff, they do not brush off easily. It takes a special, very fine-toothed comb to remove them from hair.

It is important that you continue to check your child's head closely for head lice or nits. Your child may contract lice anytime he or she comes in contact with an infested person, hat, etc. Anytime that you find head lice or nits on your child, please seek treatment for your child promptly, take the necessary precautions at home to inhibit reinfection, and notify the school. Your cooperation and understanding will help us keep this situation under control. Information about the treatment of lice can be found at:


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