

THE FARQUHAR NEWS

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WEEKLY EDITION

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2010

March 8-17: Maryland State Assessment (MSA) testing begins with modified bell schedules, see attached

MSA Reading:	March 8-9	Grade 6
	March 10-11	Grades 7, 8

MSA Math:	March 12 & 15	Grade 6
	March 16-17	Grades 7, 8

March 9-11: Boys and Girls soccer tryouts, sports bus available, departure 4:30 p.m.

March 9: PTA general meeting (7-8:30 p.m.), Imc, special guest speaker: John McCarthy, State's Attorney for Montgomery County, topics: Bullying, Gangs, Cyber safety, & more!

March 12: PTA newsletter deadline

March 15: 6th grade MSA celebration. After lunch students will be able to choose from a dance, sports activities, movies, and more.

March 16: Port Isobel parent meeting, 6:30-7:30 p.m., room 36

March 16-18: Soccer tryouts continue, sports bus available, departure 4:30 p.m.

March 17: 7th & 8th grade MSA celebration. After lunch students will be able to choose from a dance, sports activities, movies, and more.

March 18-22: MSA makeup testing

March 19: Career Café, 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

March 19: PTA Roadrunner Night, 7-9:30 p.m.

March 23-25: Port Isobel field trip, departure 3/23—8 a.m., return 3/25—3 p.m.

March 26: Third marking period ends

March 29-April 1: Spring break: no school for students and teachers

April 2 & 5: Holidays: Good Friday and Easter

April 6: Professional Day: report card preparation and planning; no school for students

April 7: Fourth marking period begins

April 13: Science Inquiry Exposition, 7th & 8th graders, café, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

April 13: PTA Business Meeting, 7-7:30 p.m., Imc

April 14: Report cards distributed

April 16: Career Café, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

April 16: PTA newsletter deadline

ROADRUNNER NIGHT

ATTENTION FARQUHAR PARENTS... MARK YOUR CALENDARS for Farquhar Middle School's **Roadrunner Night Carnival and Silent Auction** scheduled for **Friday, March 19** from 7-9:30!

Admission is \$5/person or \$12/ family at the door, or advanced purchases can be made at lunch on 3/18 and 3/19 for \$4/person or \$10/family. This family event is the PTA's largest fundraiser. We are hoping to make it a great success and we need your help. Please come join us for a night of games, food, prizes and fun!

Volunteers Needed!! Please contact Sherri Tempchin at tempchin@comcast.net or Tibi Kenney at kkenney@17320.comcast.net if you are available to volunteer. There are two shifts - a 6:45 to 8:15 shift and an 8:00 to 9:30 shift.

We have begun collecting items for our **silent auction** already, so if you have any unwanted gifts that you are trying to decide what to do with, we might have the answer! We are looking for donations in the form of gift certificates, products, professional services, complimentary meals, overnight stays, tickets or passes to events or anything else you can think of for the **Silent Auction**. Be creative, no item is too small or too big! If you think you can help us out, contact Jennifer Hallmark at hallmark5@comcast.net.

2nd Annual FMS Food Drive* is being held in conjunction with Roadrunner Night on Friday, March 19. Please consider contributing a non-perishable food item when you come to the carnival.

For each food item donated, you will be entered into a raffle to win gift certificates!

Many winners will be announced throughout the night; you do not need to be present to win.

Look for backpack and on-line announcements for further details.

**Food drive to benefit Manna Food Center – helping those at risk for hunger. Questions? Contact: mtkkozlowski@verizon.net*

STUDENT SERVICE LEARNING AWARD MODIFICATION

Beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, all students who meet the 75 hour Student Service Learning (SSL) graduation requirement by the first Friday in April of a middle school year will receive a Superintendent's SSL Award. Due to this year's scheduled spring break and the holiday on April 2, 2010, middle school students will have until the second Friday in April (April 9, 2010) to qualify for this award. For additional modifications to the middle school SSL awards program, please visit the MCPS SSL website at: www.mcpsssl.org.

HELPFUL LINKS

Updates News & Information: www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/farquharms/

Calendar: <http://coldfusion.mcps.k12.md.us/cfms/webteam/calendar/calendar.cfm?calendarID=farquharms>

Staff Directory: <http://coldfusion.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/directory/index.cfm?s=dbd&pl=03507>

Edline: www.edline.net

Edline Assistance: Beth_A_Hopkins@mcpsmd.org

Sign Up For the Email List: www.farquharpta.org

PTA Information: www.farquharpta.org

Lunch Pre-Payments: www.myLunchMoney.com

Daily Cafeteria Menu: www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/foodserv

H1N1 Information: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/emergency/h1n1/>

Student Service Learning: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/ssl/>

Bullying: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/forms/230-35.shtm>

PrepTalk: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/careercenter/resources/preptalk.aspx>

NEC Information: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/nec>

Parent Academy: www.mcpsparentacademy.org

Giant Food A+ Bonus Bucks Program (use code 00691): www.giantfood.com/aplus

Yearbook Order Form:

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/farquharms/news/Yearbook%20Order%20Form%202009.jpg

Silent Auction Donation Form:

<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/farquharms/news/silent%20auction.pdf>