

THE FARQUHAR NEWS

William H. Farquhar Middle School

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WEEKLY EDITION

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2011

November 30 & December 1: Play auditions after school until 5:30 p.m., room 38

Please see information below.

December 1: School Improvement Plan (SIP) review, Goals #1 MSA & Goal #2 Referrals & Grade Review (D/E); parents are invited, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Please email Claudette_K_Hamerski@mcpsmd.org if you would like to attend

December 5-9: Book Fair, 6th graders visit through reading classes, 7th and 8th graders visit through English classes, media center

December 5: NAACP Potluck, Project, Progress meeting, 7-8:30 p.m., cafeteria

Please see attached flyer

December 6: Extended Day Program begins for 6th & 7th graders. **Please see information below.**

PTA Variety Show rehearsal, 2:45-5 p.m.

Play callbacks, 2:45-5 p.m.

December 7: Book fair extended hours for parents 2:45-6:45 p.m., media center

December 7: Winter Concert at FMS, 7-8 p.m., upper gym

December 8: PTA Variety Show rehearsal, 2:45-5 p.m.

December 9: Cultural Arts Assembly—*Become Your Dreams*, 9:45a.m.– 8th, 11:10 a.m.– 6th, 12 p.m.—7th

December 9: PTA Variety Show, 7 p.m.

December 12: MCPS/MCPPC Modernization Community meeting, (land swap discussion)
7-8:30 p.m., cafeteria, child care provided

December 13: PTA general meeting 7-7:30 p.m., followed by the presentation 7:30-8:30 p.m., media center, presentation: Cyber Safety; what every parent needs to know about texting, Internet communication, and cyberbullying.

December 14: Interims available on Edline

December 15: No after-school activities or sports

December 16: 6th grade Chesapeake Critters Assembly, 9-10 a.m.

December 16: PTA newsletter deadline

December 20: School Improvement Plan (SIP) review, Goal #3 – Advanced Placement and Algebra Completion; parents are invited, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Please email

Claudette_K_Hamerski@mcpsmd.org if you would like to attend

December 21: Girls home basketball game: Briggs Chaney

December 22: Volleyball Tournament in P.E. classes

December 23: Greek Day all 6th grade classes

December 25: Holiday: Christmas

December 26-30: Winter Break, no school for students and teachers

January 2: Holiday: New Year's Day

EXTENDED DAY PROGRAM BEGINS DECEMBER 6 FOR 6TH & 7TH

Farquhar is offering an extended day mathematics program with instruction for 6th and 7th grade math students. The goal of these classes is to assist students in becoming more successful in their daily classes and to help them meet proficiency level on the math MSA in March. Classes are held on Tuesday's and Thursday's beginning December 6th and ending on March 8th from 2:45-4:00pm. Classes are free and transportation home is provided by activity buses. A minimum of 12 students must be enrolled by the start date for each class or the class may be postponed or cancelled. Class size is limited to 20 students. Please email Walter_C_Geddesjr@mcpsmd.org (underscores between the names) for program information or your child's math teacher for questions specific to your child's needs. **If the minimum enrollment is met for 8th grade by December 20, extended day classes will begin Tuesday, January 3.**

FARQUHAR SPRING PLAY

Attention students interested in auditioning for this year's spring play, *High School Musical, Jr.* Auditions will be held November 30 & December 1 in the chorus room (38), 2:45-5:30 p.m. Please sign up on the posted sign-up sheet for either day in your grade-level hallway. All students are welcome to audition and be sure to pick up an audition packet from the folder next to the sign-up sheet. If you have any questions please see or email Erin_T_Lorenz@mcpsmd.org. Hope to see you at auditions!

HELPFUL LINKS

Updates News & Information: www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/farquharm/s/

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

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

Edline: www.edline.net

Edline Assistance: Karen_I_Becker@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

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

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



The NAACP Parents' Council of Farquhar Middle School sponsors a family **potluck** and community service **project** and SIP **progress** update!

"P3"

Potluck, Project, Progress!

Monday, Dec. 5, 2011

Farquhar Middle School, Media Center

7 pm

The purpose of this meeting is three fold!

Potluck- Bring a dish to share

Project- Bring a toy to share with the Greentree Shelter homeless shelter

Progress- How is FMS doing with our SIP plan?

- Please plan to bring your Farquhar student and a dish to share. Sign up to bring a main dish, breads, desserts, salads and dressing.
- We will support the Greentree Shelter with a toy drive and hear a brief presentation from a representative of this community homeless shelter.

Toy Wish List:

Match Box cars
African American dolls
Sports Equipment
Games

- Ms. Morris will also discuss "The SIP goals: Progress Update." The SIP (School Improvement Plan) is created yearly by each school in MCPS and focuses on specific school goals.

Hope to see you then!

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