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Mantua PTA Alert News November 22, 2011



Early Dismissal Reminder

In observance of Thanksgiving, Mantua will be closing two hours early on Wednesday, Nov. 23. Students will be dismissed at 1:45 p.m. Please make sure you have made necessary child care arrangements.

Thanks to Book Fair Volunteers

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped unpack, sell, and pack up the books! If it weren't for you, the Book Fair would not have been as successful. This year's Book Fair grossed nearly \$30,000, of which the library will receive 20 to 30 percent. The proceeds will allow the school to purchase new equipment and books for all Mantua students to use.

Sixth Grade Needs Graduation Party & T-Shirt Coordinators

The sixth grade graduation party may seem a long way off, but it isn't! Planning for this wonderful and memorable event should begin soon! A sixth grade party coordinator is needed to pull the event together. The job has been broken down into sub-chairs for a number of years. Lots of background information is available.

In addition, the sixth grade needs a parent to coordinate the sale and ordering of the class t-shirts.

Contact Teresa LeMair at teresalemair@aol.com if you are interested in either of these positions.

Mantua to Host Entertainers Laura and Robert Sams

Mantua's library is very excited to be hosting Laura and Robert Sams on Wednesday, Dec. 14, and Thursday, Dec. 15. The sister and brother creative team has produced films, books, and educational media to help children discover the natural world (and laugh along the way). Their work has received many honors,

including Mom's Choice, Kids First Best of the Year, Panda, and many other national and international awards. Laura and Robert are known for their dynamic, live educational performances based on their work. Watch for a flyer in your Tuesday folder. You'll have a chance to pre-order books and videos. To learn more about Laura and Robert, view video clips and more go to: www.sisbro.com.

Parent Education Program

Dr. Katie Hennessy, director for the Center for Cognitive Therapy and Assessment, will present a workshop at Mantua on Helping Children with Anxiety on Tuesday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m. Dr. Hennessy will address the increased prevalence of anxiety in children, classic signs of anxiety, ways to help children recognize and manage their anxiety (with an emphasis on cognitive behavior therapy), and techniques parents can use to create a supportive and challenging environment for anxious children. Childcare will be provided! More details will be sent home in your child's Tuesday folder this week. Go [HERE](#) to download the program flier. Contact Margaret Scheele at Margaret_Scheele@yahoo.com with questions.

Important Upcoming Events

Wed. Nov. 23: School Closes Two Hours Early

Thurs. Nov. 24-Fri. Nov. 25: School Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

Thurs. Dec. 8: PTA Meeting, 7 p.m.

Woodson Band Fruit Sale

Help support Woodson High School Band by participating in its annual fruit sale! The proceeds help support band activities. Orders can be placed for pick-up or delivery in the Fairfax area, or for mail delivery for a Hanukkah, Christmas, or Kwanzaa gift nationwide.

You can order the fruit online at www.fruitorder.com and use the organization ID 171874. You can give credit to your favorite band member, who you can choose when you check out. We would be happy to deliver the fruit order soon after Dec. 15. Contact band member Rachel Major (former Mantua and Frost student) at devotedx@gmail.com with questions.

Woodson Winter Baseball Training Camp

The Woodson Baseball Program will host a Winter Training Camp for ages 7-14

(grades 2-8). The camp will be held on Sundays Jan. 15, 22, 29 and Feb. 5, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Campers will receive instruction and repetition designed to better prepare them for their Little League/AAU spring tryouts and season. Woodson's coaching staff, along with several current and former players, will work with each camper. Each session will offer a 6 to 1 (or less) camper to instructor ratio. Campers will receive overall skill development and instruction in hitting, bunting, base running, fielding and throwing mechanics. Registration deadline is Jan. 3. Space is limited, so register early. Contact Coach Chris Warren, 703-217-6629, Chris.Warren@fcps.edu, or Michele Adamus, michele.adamus@verizon.net, 703-795-4658 with questions.

Alert News Contributions

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