



Spotlight on Bells Mill Elementary
Week of May 4, 2015
Office of the Principal

- Mon., May 4** **PARCC Assessments Gr. 4 Math**
Photoshop & Animation, 3:30-4:30 pm, rm. 121
Legos Engineering, 3:30-5:00 pm, rm. 209
Tumbling (K-3), 3:30-4:30 pm, gym
Gr 3 Brownies, rm. 159
Gr. 2 Scouts, rm. 132
K Daisies 690, rm. 150
- Tue., May 5** **Gr. 5 to Annapolis, 9:00-2:45**
PARCC Assessments Gr. 4 Math
MSA Basketball, 3:30-4:45 pm, gym
PTA Meeting, 7:00 pm, APR (last meeting of the year)
- Wed., May 6** **Intermediate French, 8:00-9:00 am, rm. 212 (last session)**
Intro to Spanish, 8:15-9:00 pm, rm. 125
PARCC Assessments Gr. 5 English and Language Arts
Beginning Spanish, 3:30-4:00 pm, rm. 120
Art Escapades, Clay Creations, 3:30-4:30 pm, rm. 163
Chess, 3:30-4:45 pm, Media Center
Imagination Stage, 3:30-4:30 pm, rm. 121
Street Hockey, 3:30-4:45 pm, gym
Scout Troop 3069, rm. 153
PhotoMath Spy Fun, 3:30-4:30 pm, rm. 129
- Thur., May 7** **MSA Soccer, 3:30-4:45 pm**
Intermediate Chinese, 3:30-4:30 pm, rm. 209
Tae Kwon Do, 3:30-4:30 pm, gym
Great Adventure Space Lab, 3:30-4:30 pm, rm. 148
- Fri., May 8** **Flag Football, 3:30-4:30 pm**
Art Escapades, rm. 163, 3:30-4:30 pm
- A look ahead**
May 12 **Patrol Picnic, 9:30-1:00**

- **Bells Mill KinderCamp for incoming kindergarteners and Camp Bells Mill for students entering Grades 1-5 will take place July 6-24, 8:30 am to noon.** The camps are taught by our own wonderful teachers. All students in grades K through 4 brought home a letter containing information/registration form. The letter and form are also available on our home page at <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/bellsmilles/> . It's important that we hear from you so that we can hire the appropriate number of teachers. The cost is \$475. There are opportunities for tuition

reduction through income eligibility. No child will be denied participation due to financial constraints. Call the office if you would like information on payment options.

- **Gr. 5 parents, MCPS has cancelled all field trips to Baltimore. Therefore, the new destination for our May 5 trip is Annapolis. Times and cost remain the same. All students in Gr. 5 brought home a revised field trip permission form. Please sign and return it to your child's teacher as soon as possible.**
- **Gr. 5 parents of safety patrols, the Patrol Picnic at Montgomery County Fairgrounds is on Tuesday, May 12, 9:30-1:00. Make sure you sign and return the permission form to Mr. Leffler.**
- **Gr. 5 Parents, mark your calendars!** Cabin John MS will host an orientation for incoming 6th graders, Wednesday, June 17, 2015, 8:30-11:30 am. Parents must provide transportation. Questions, please call the Cabin John MS guidance office at 301-469-1150.
- **Parents, staff, and community members are invited to the MCPS Special Education Summit, *Leading the Way Today, Partnering for a Better Tomorrow*. The summit will take place on Saturday, May 16, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., at Gaithersburg High School, 101 Education Boulevard in Gaithersburg.** The summit will feature keynote speaker Priscilla Gilman, author of *The Anti-Romantic Child: A Memoir of Unexpected Joy*; resources; and workshops for families of students with disabilities. Families also will have an opportunity to meet representatives from many MCPS offices and Montgomery County agencies and nonprofit organizations. To register for the summit, visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/special-education/events/ or call 301-517-5940. The summit is free and childcare and lunch will be provided.
- **Parents of children receiving special education and related services should have received by mail the Maryland Special Education Parent Involvement Survey from the Maryland State Department of Education.** Please fill out the survey and return it in the postage paid envelope or complete it online at www.mdparentsurvey.com. The survey results will help guide the state's efforts to improve special education and related services in public schools. The deadline for completing the survey is Friday, May 29.
- **Help wanted. Now that spring is here, please consider volunteering for outdoor recess.** We need parents who are willing to monitor games and encourage safe, fair play.

Thank you for being partners in your child's education.