



Spotlight on Bells Mill Elementary
February 29, 2016
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This Week

Mon., Feb. 29

Mobile Science Lab here all week
Learn Music Now, 8:15 am
Scout Troop 4093, 3:50 pm, rm. 132
Scout Troop 2894, 3:50 pm, rm. 159
Scout Troop 4387, 3:50 pm, rm. 128
Etiquette, 3:50 pm, rm. 125
Glee Club, 3:50 pm, rm. 164

Tues., Mar. 1

Clay Creations, 3:50-4:50 pm, rm. 163
Basketball, 3:50-5:00 pm, gym
Parent Info. Mtg. for Science Fair, 6:30 pm, Media Center
PTA Meeting, 7:00 pm, APR

Wed., Mar. 2

French, 8:00 am, rm. 159
Spanish Intro, 8:00 am, rm. 150
Spanish Beginner, 8:00 am, rm. 154
STEM, 3:30 pm, rms. 120 and 124
Chess, 3:50-5:15 pm, Media Center
Lego Robotics, 3:50-5:00 pm, rm. 124 and 120

Thur., Mar. 3

Mixed Media 3:50-5:00 pm, rm. 163
Strong Voices 3:50-5:00 pm, rm. 164
Indoor Soccer, 3:50-5:15 pm, gym

Fri., Mar. 4

Wear your school colors today
United Nations Model, 8:10 am, rm. 149
Odyssey of the Mind, 3:50 pm, Media Center
Scout Troop 585, 5:00 pm, rm. 240

A Look Ahead

March 8 K-2 Talent Show auditions, 3:50-5:30 pm, APR
March 9 K-2 Talent Show rehearsal, 3:50-5:30 pm, APR
March 11 K-2 Talent Show performance, 7:00 pm, APR

- **The Mobile Science Lab will be parked here all week.** Every grade will participate in the following age-appropriate lessons and exhibits:

K-Beanie Baby Gr. 3 – Sticky Bean Gr. 5 – Banana DNA
 Gr. 1 & 2 - Forest & Me Gr. 4 – Farmers and Environment

Parent volunteers needed, contact the PTA at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4caeab23a57-mobile>.

- **Attention, Gr. 2 parents, this week you will receive the Parent Input Form in the U.S. mail. Please return the completed form to your child's teacher within one week of receiving it. If you do not receive your parent input form by March 4, 2016, please contact your child's teacher, and we will send one home.** Our school staff will use this information in planning your child's instructional program and class placement for the 2016–2017 school year.
- **Science Fair Help Night will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 6:00-7:00 pm, in the Media Center.** Parents and their students who are interested in participating in the Bells Mill Science Fair are encouraged to attend Help Night for guidance in the selection of an age- appropriate project and to learn tips for science fair success. **The annual Science Fair is on Friday, April 15, 6:45-9:30 pm, in the APR.** The Science Fair is non-competitive and open to all students in Grades K-5. Participation is voluntary.
- **Get ready for the Bells Mill Stars of Tomorrow Talent Show.** If you have a talent that you would like to share, then you should consider auditioning for the talent show. Everyone who auditions will be included in the show. Due to the popularity of this event, we are having two performances.

Grades K-2 will perform on Friday, March 11, 7:00 pm, with auditions on Tuesday, March 8, 3:50-5:30 pm, and mandatory rehearsal on Wednesday, March 9, 3:30-5:00 pm.

Grades 3-5 will perform on Friday, March 18, 7:00 pm, with auditions on Tuesday, March 15, 3:50-5:30 pm, and mandatory rehearsal on Wednesday, March 16, 3:50-5:30 pm.

Students should bring an afternoon snack to the auditions and rehearsals. *No transportation is provided for these activities.* Please pick up your child no later than 5:30 pm on the audition and rehearsal days. A piano will be available for student performance. Watch backpacks for registration/permission forms. No student can participate without a permission form. Questions, contact LaTisha Gasaway at [minds in motion@yahoo.com](mailto:minds_in_motion@yahoo.com) .

- **The MCPS Parent Academy offers Raising Your Child's Self-Esteem, a FREE parent workshop, Wednesday, March 16, 7:00 pm, Carver Educational Services Center, 850 Hungerford Dr., Rockville. To register and to request child care, foreign language or sign language interpreter, please visit www.mcpsparentacademy.org .**
- **THE BELLS MILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOOK FAIR AND COMMUNITY NIGHT AT BARNES & NOBLE – Join us after school on TUESDAY, MARCH 22ND for fun treats, books, books, books and more! You can shop all day for books and entertainment for Spring Break, and we'll have activities in the upstairs children's section from 4:30pm – 8:30pm. Details on BMES celebrity readers and entertainment are coming soon. Barnes and Noble is located on Rockville Pike at Montrose Rd. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Danielle Lindholm at dcamner@hotmail.com.**
- **Visit the Terrapin STEM Camp Open House, Friday, March 4, 6:00-8:00 pm, St. Mary's of the Mill School, 106 St. Mary's Pl., Laurel, MD.** Terrapin STEM Camp for students in Grades K-5 provides a summer experience in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. Participating students may enter an invention contest to win a Kindle Fire or a free week of camp. For more information, please visit www.info@terrapinstem.com. This camp is neither sponsored nor endorsed by MCPS.
- **Carnival for Children with Special Needs will be held on Sunday, March 6, 1:00-4:00 pm at Our Lady of Good Counsel HS, Olney, MD.** Families and friends are invited to attend. Activities include baseball,

soccer, moon bounce, arts, crafts and more. Sponsored by Project Change, Inc. Questions, info@projectchange-md.org .

- **Montgomery College Youth Programs** offers Futuremakers, a special theme-based program for all students in Gr. 2-5, Saturday, March 12, 8:30 am-2:00 pm, on the Rockville Campus. For more information, www.montgomerycollege.edu/youth .

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