



Spotlight on Bells Mill Elementary
May 16, 2016
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This Week

- Mon., May 16** **PARCC testing continues this week (see schedule below)**
Gr. 3 (Ms. Miller/Ms. Yoder) to Kingsley Center, 9:30 am-1:30 pm
Basketball, 3:50 pm, gym
Learn Music Now, 3:50 pm, rm. 148
- Tues., May 17** **Gr. 3 (Ms. Wang/Mr. Nocente) to Kingsley Center, 9:30 am-1:30 pm**
Patrol Picnic, 9:30 am-2:00 pm
Head Start Parent Meeting, 10:00 am, APR
Mixed Media, 3:50-4:50 pm, rm. 163
Basketball, 3:50 pm, gym
Soccer, 3:50 pm
Magic, 3:50 pm, rm. 217
Bells Mill at Tally Ho Restaurant, 4:00 pm-closing
- Wed., May 18** **French, 8:00 am, rm. 154**
Spanish Intro, 8:00 am, rm. 150
Chess, 3:50 pm, Media Center
Strong Voices, 3:50 pm, rm. 164
Street Hockey, 3:50 pm
- Thur., May 19** **Clay Creations, 3:50 pm, rm. 163**
Basketball, 3:50 pm, gym
Soccer, 3:50 pm
- Fri., May 20** **Flag football, 3:50 pm**

A Look Ahead

- May 23** **Kindergarten to Aviation Museum, 9:30 am-1:30 pm**
June 1 **Student Art Show, 6:00-8:30 pm, first floor halls**
Instrumental Music Concert, 7:00 pm APR
June 2 **4th/5th Grades Chorus Concert, 7:00 pm, APR**

- **Bells Mill has a new phone number, 240-740-0480. The health room direct line is 240-740-0481. If you dial our old number your call will automatically forward to the new number. The fax number remains the same, 301-469-1060.**
- **Attention parents of students in Grades 3-5. PARCC assessments continue this week for students in Grades 3-5. Please refrain from making appointments on your child's testing dates (see schedule**

below). Students who are absent due to illness will have the opportunity to make up all or part of the assessments.

Gr. 3	May 18--Language Arts	May 23, 24, 25 & 27—Math
Gr. 4	May 16—Language Arts	May 17, 20, 24 & 27—Math
Gr. 5	May 16, 18, 20 & 23—Math	

- **There are only two weeks left to submit your box tops to count towards the end of the year pizza party contest! Send in the box tops to the collection bin in the main hall.** Write the teacher's name on the bag so that the correct class receives credit. The race is very close, and your box tops could make the difference in your child's class winning! The winning class will be announced on June 1.
- **This is a reminder that MCPS parents, staff, and community members are invited to the third annual Special Education Summit, *Leading the Way Today, Partnering for a Better Tomorrow*.** The summit will take place on **Saturday, May 14**, 8:15 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Gaithersburg High School, 101 Education Boulevard in Gaithersburg. The summit is free and will feature resources and workshops for families of students with disabilities. Families will also have an opportunity to meet representatives from many MCPS offices, Montgomery County agencies, and nonprofit organizations. For more information, visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org, search “special education summit.”
- **Bells Mill will host a Community Night on May 17 at Tally Ho Restaurant, 9923 Falls Rd, Potomac, 4pm to closing.** Dine in or take out and a portion of the evening’s proceeds will benefit the PTA. Visit tallyhorestaurant.com for additional information.
- **“Dealing with Difficult Kids and Young Adults” is a presentation offered by Anne Maxwell, licensed psychotherapist and best-selling author.** All Churchill cluster families are invited, Monday, May 16, 7:00 pm, at Churchill HS. Churchill students will operate “Game Night” for children while parents attend the presentation. Questions, lhancock@bellapemo.com .
- **Register now for Bells Mill KinderCamp (for rising kindergarteners) and Camp Bells Mill (for rising 1st-5th graders).** The camps are taught by our own teachers and will be held at Bells Mill, July 11-29, 8:30 am – noon. Cost is \$500 (checks payable to Bells Mill ES). There are opportunities for tuition reduction based on financial need. For more information/registration forms, check backpacks or visit the Bells Mill website at <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/bellsmilles/news/index.aspx?id=477722>
- **May 23 is the last day to order 2015-2016 Bells Mill yearbooks.** The cost is \$22. Order online at www.freedpics.com (password: BEARS15F, then click on the “Yearbook” gallery). Questions, Lina DeChiara at lina.dechiara79@gmail.com .

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