

Cromwell Valley Elementary Regional Magnet School of Technology

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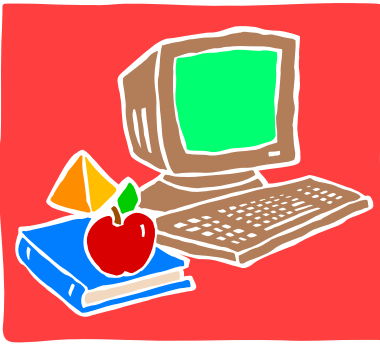
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From The Principal ~



CALENDAR



Saturday turned out to be a beautiful day for our first Digital Dash. Students and parents had a great time walking outside of the school. We have been running pictures from the dash on the big screen TV all week. Thank you to the parents who helped us organize and run the walk on Saturday. This was truly a community project. If you have not done so already, please remember to turn in your pledge money by FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2009.



“Oh, the weather outside is frightful...,” well not really but unfortunately we all know it is coming. In order to prepare for the winter season, the Department of Physical Facilities began converting schools from cooling to heating on Monday, October 12, 2008. Room temperatures will be maintained in the range of 68 to 70 degrees during the heating season. Since we know that the fall and winter temperatures can be erratic, it may be a good idea for your child to leave a sweater at school.



Peanut-Free Table ~ In compliance with Maryland law, our school will designate a peanut and tree-nut free table in the cafeteria for use by students with medically documented allergies. If your child has such an allergy and you would like to request this accommodation, please notify the school nurse at 410-825-2897.



Area Assistant Superintendent's Visit ~ Mrs. Barbara Walker, our Area Assistant Superintendent's visit was rescheduled. She and her assistant, Ms. Susan Truesdell, are scheduled to visit our school on October 13th. They will be having a conversation with several of our staff members and visiting several of our classrooms to observe instruction. We are looking forward to their visit and to showing them the accomplishments of students and teachers.



October ~

- 9 - School Spirit Day - Pajama Day!!
- 16 - Prof. Development Day/MSTA - Schools closed for students

November ~

- 1 - Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 5 - First Marking Period Ends
- 6 - Professional Development Day - Schools Closed for Students
- 16-20 American Education Week1
- 17 - CVE Magnet Open House 2 & 6:30 pm
- 19 - Distribution of Report Cards



**Pizza Hut Book-It Program -
*IMPORTANT INFORMATION
FOR PARENTS***

If your child is participating in the Pizza Hut Book-It program with their class, please note **these guidelines that will be STRICTLY ENFORCED** when you go to redeem your pizza certificates:

- ◆ certificates are only to be used as a reward for meeting monthly reading goals
- ◆ only ONE certificate can be earned each month October through March
- ◆ certificates are to be used by the student who earned them, not siblings or friends
- ◆ certificates must be filled in and signed by the teacher to be valid
- ◆ the student who earned the certificate must be present when the pizza is purchased
- ◆ certificates expire one month from the date issued with the final March certificate expiring on May 1st
- ◆ certificates are NOT valid if copied, exchanged, or transferred

**Attention Parents: News About
STRIVE FOR 25 READING LOGS**



Please help your child remember to bring her/his **ORANGE** Strive for 25 Minutes READING LOG to school in their TAKE HOME FOLDER *every day*, so they will have it to show Mrs. Groth during their library special the **week of October 12-16, 2009**. Be sure they have totaled their September reading minutes and have you, as parent, sign right next to the total on the left side of the “what I have read” page of the LOG. If your child has this done, your child’s name will be put in a drawing for a prize at the end of their library time. Over the next eight months, be sure your child has her/his monthly minutes **totaled, signed** by an adult reading partner and the **Log in their TAKE HOME FOLDER** to show Mrs. Groth the **first full week of each month**.

Tickets will be drawn for prizes every month!

Good Luck and Happy Reading to all!



**MAGNET APPLICATIONS
FOR 2010 - 2011 ~**

The Magnet Applications for the 2010-2011 school year are now available on the Baltimore County Public Schools’ website. You can download the application and email it to the Magnet Office or print a copy and mail it to the Magnet Office. The Magnet office recommends sending your applications via certified mail so you have a receipt to prove you sent your application should they not receive it by the deadline. The website for Baltimore County Public Schools is www.bcps.org. When you log onto the website, click on the word “Systems” in the blue tool-bar, go to “Offices,” then to “Magnet Programs.”

**THE DEADLINE FOR FILING IS
NOVEMBER 30, 2009!**

Siblings: Kindergarten applicants applying to elementary magnet schools and programs who have a sibling who is attending that school the next year will be placed in the magnet school and program. The applicant **MUST** apply within the regular application period in order to receive sibling priority for placement. For purposes of this rule, a sibling shall be defined as a brother, sister, half-brother, half-sister, stepbrother, stepsister, or foster child living in the same household.

Cromwell Valley Elementary’s Open House for perspective new students will be on Tuesday, November 17th from 2:00-3:00 p.m. and at 6:30 p.m.

We're Off to See the Wizard!

Dear 4th & 5th Parents,

The fourth and fifth grades of CVE will present a stage musical adaptation of "The Wizard of Oz" on **Wednesday and Thursday, January 13 and 14 at 2:00 and 7:00 PM**. This production will recreate some of the highlights of this popular musical. Specific parts will soon be cast, and rehearsals will soon start. Most rehearsals will take place during the school day, although it may be necessary for some students to rehearse before and/or after school. If you have concerns regarding any aspect of your child's involvement with this activity please contact me. Also, please let me know immediately if your child will, or will not, be able to participate in this activity by returning the permission slip below. At this point we are trying to establish teams of parents to help prepare this production. If you can lend any time, energy or talent to assist in making "The Wizard of Oz" another fantastic Cromwell production please indicate this in the tear-off list below. You may also email me at tkjer@bcps.org

The more volunteers we have will prevent a few from having to do everything.

Thanks so much for your cooperation!

Tim Kjer, vocal music

PLEASE RETURN THE PORTION BELOW BY OCTOBER 16!

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RETURN TO MR. KJER!

My child, _____, will be able to participate in "The Wizard of Oz" on Wednesday, January 13 at 2:00 and 7:00 PM and Thursday, January 14 at 2:00 and 7:00 PM. I will see that he/she returns to Cromwell by 6:30 for the evening performances on January 13& 14.

My child, _____, will NOT be able to participate in this activity.

Please explain: _____

I can help with "The Wizard of Oz" by:

____ Helping with costumes/props ____ Coordinating costumes/props for my child's class

____ Helping with scenery ____ Coordinating Scenery

____ Assisting during rehearsals ____ Assisting backstage during rehearsals/performances

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

The Wizard Needs Some Help!

Dear CVE Parents, Relatives and Friends,

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Thanks so much for your cooperation!

Tim Kjer, vocal music

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I can help with "The Wizard of Oz" by volunteering for this/these teams:

___ COSTUMES (**need many** volunteers for this)

___ SCENERY (**need many** volunteers for this)

___ PROPS (preparing/collecting)

___ STAGE ASSISTANTS (to help in rehearsals and performances)

___ STAGE MANAGER

___ ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

___ TECH: AUDIO, LIGHTING, SPECIAL EFFECTS

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

MEYERHOFF SYMPHONY TRIP PAYMENT & PERMISSION FORM: K-3

Dear Parents,

Each year all of our Cromwell Valley Elementary students attend the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra education concerts at the Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony Hall. These concerts support the goals and objectives of Maryland's Fine Arts Essential Learning and the Baltimore County Public Schools music curriculum. All who attend: students, parents and teachers, feel that the experience is most worthwhile. This year all students will attend one concert. The total cost for each student to attend is **\$10.00**, including the cost of the concert ticket and bus transportation. Transportation will be provided by Baltimore County school buses. The cost has increased due to transportation expenses.

Your child will be attending the BSO Concert at Meyerhoff Symphony Hall on Friday, April 23. Please make your full payment as soon as possible. **Make checks payable to Cromwell Valley Elementary. We need to have all money collected by September 30.** If you wish to attend any of these concerts as a parent chaperone, please indicate that on the return form. The cost for parents is \$10.00 per concert. By signing and returning the form below you are also granting permission for your child/children to attend.

K, 1st, 2nd & 3rd Grades—The Carnival of the Animals

Friday, April 23, 2010 (Buses will depart Cromwell at 10:30 and return by 1:00.)

Principal's Approval _____

KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR INFORMATION!

IF YOU HAVE NOT RETURNED THIS FORM WITH YOUR PAYMENT TO YOUR CHILD'S HOMEROOM TEACHER, PLEASE DO SO IMMEDIATELY!

____ I am returning this slip with \$10.00 for: _____
(Fill in Child's Name.)

____ I am returning this slip with \$20.00 for 2 children: _____
(Fill in Children's Names.)

____ I am returning this slip with \$30.00 for my 3 children, _____
(Fill in Children's Names.)

____ I would like to chaperone this concert. (Chaperone space is limited to 5 per class; 7 per kindergarten.)

I am enclosing \$ _____ (\$10.00 per concert) for * _____ * chaperone ticket(s).
(Fill in amount) (*Fill in number of tickets*)

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____ (Make checks payable to CVE.)

My child/children (listed above) has/have permission to attend the field trip to Meyerhoff Symphony Hall on Friday, April 23 under the supervision of the homeroom teacher. I have fully read the information above. I have explained to my child that while participating in the field trip he/she must adhere to the Baltimore County Board of Education's Code of Conduct, Board Policies, and Superintendent's Rules. If there is medical information pertinent to my child's participation, I will contact the school nurse.

(Parent signature) _____ Date: _____

In case of emergency while on the trip, please contact me at: _____

If your child or the student for whom you are responsible does not have permanent and adequate housing, is temporarily staying in a shelter, group home, or with friends/family due to economic hardship, please contact his/her principal to ask for a waiver and a copy of the brochure entitled *Homeless Children and Youth in Baltimore County Public Schools*.

PLEASE NOTE: THE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL NOT BE FINANCIALLY LIABLE FOR LOSSES DUE TO CHANGES OR CANCELLATION OF FIELD TRIPS.

MEYERHOFF SYMPHONY TRIP PAYMENT & PERMISSION FORM: 4th & 5th

Dear Parents,

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Your child will be attending the BSO Concert at Meyerhoff Symphony Hall on Friday, May 7. Please make your full payment as soon as possible. **Make checks payable to Cromwell Valley Elementary. We need to have all money collected by September 30.** If you wish to attend any of these concerts as a parent chaperone, please indicate that on the return form. The cost for parents is \$10.00 per concert. By signing and returning the form below you are also granting permission for your child/children to attend.

4th & 5th Grades--Music for Youth: Cultural Collage

Friday, May 7, 2010 (Buses will depart Cromwell at 10:30 and return by 1:00)

Principal's Approval _____

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(Fill in amount) (*Fill in number of tickets*)

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____ (Make checks payable to CVE.)

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