

DRAGON TALES

Olney Elementary PTA Newsletter

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Principal's Corner

Click [here](#) to read Principal Glawe's January Newsletter.

Important Dates!

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| Jan 17 | Restaurant Night at Chipotle |
| Jan 25 | Early Dismissal |
| Jan 26 | No School |
| Feb 2 | BINGO Night |
| Feb 6 | PTA Meeting, 7pm |



CHIPOTLE

MEXICAN GRILL

Join us at Chipotle this Wednesday, January 17th, from 5:00 to 9:00 pm for our biggest restaurant night fundraiser of the year! Chipotle will donate **50%** of the proceeds to the Olney ES PTA when you bring a copy of this flyer or show it on your smartphone.

https://olneyespta.files.wordpress.com/2018/01/chipotle_jan172018.pdf

(If you forget the flyer, make sure to tell the cashier you're there to support Olney Elementary School PTA.)



PTA Website: olneyespta.org



You can follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/OlneyPTA/>

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Mark Your Calendars for

BINGO

Bingo Night at OES

Friday, February 2nd

7-8 PM

OES All Purpose Room



We are in need of a fun, energetic parent to be our BINGO Caller!

We also need several other parents and SSL volunteers to help make this event successful.

If you can help, please sign up today.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090949a5a823aafe3-olney>

In lieu of purchasing BINGO cards this year, we are asking for voluntary donations of school supplies. Our staff will greatly appreciate any and all supplies you can provide (tissues, disinfectant wipes, pencils, glue sticks, post-it notes, etc.).

Sponsor the Staff Lounge for a Day!



Please sign up for your family to sponsor the staff lounge for a day!

The sign-ups will be for one week at a time. If you sign up for a week, you are only responsible to bring items on one day of that week, not every day. Feel free to sign up for more than one week if you would like to do so. There will be a white board in the lounge for you to write in your name as the sponsor, as well as any other message you want to leave.

What you choose to do is up to you. Many families in years past have provided snacks, such as milk and cookies, granola bars, K-Cups, or other treats for the staff, and edible goodies seem to be preferred. You can decide how you want to honor the teachers and staff on your day. You will just be dropping items off and setting them up however you want them displayed in the staff lounge. You do not need to stay and serve or monitor anything. We also recommend sending containers that are well labeled so that you can find them when you go back to pick them up or disposable containers so that you do not have to go back at all.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4ca5ab2fa31-sponsor1>

Beginning in February, the PTA will begin transitioning all of its email communication from the Google Listserv to MySchoolAnywhere. This includes the weekly Dragon Tales newsletter as well as other updates from the PTA. If you are already registered on MySchoolAnywhere, you do not need to do anything additional. If you have not yet registered and want to continue receiving updates from the PTA, please [click here](#) to register or email the following information to tanya.a.arias@gmail.com as soon as possible:

- Name of Student(s), Grade & Teacher
- Name of Parent(s) & Email address

You do not need to be a member of the PTA to register. We encourage all OES families to register so that they stay informed about what's happening at our school. If you have any questions, please email:

tanya.a.arias@gmail.com or olneyespresident@gmail.com.

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Double Earnings!

Earn twice as much for your school on the purchase of any Harris Teeter brand yogurt or frozen fruit between January 10 – January 31.

If you haven't already linked your VIC card for Together in Education, [register here](#) – Use OES Group # 1030.



Calling all Scientists!!

The **OES Science Fair** will be held on Wednesday, February 28th from 6:30 – 8:30 PM in the cafeteria.

ALL AGES are welcome to participate in the noncompetitive science fair. It's a fun way to learn more about science, to try out a new experiment, and to have fun with friends. **Please register by sending the participant's name, grade, and project title to Mishra (dharmapad@live.com) no later than Friday, February 16th.** Question? Contact Mishra by email.



OES Yearbook

Would you like your child highlighted in Olney Elementary's annual yearbook? Now is the time to submit any school related pictures! Pictures may be of first day of school, bus stop, field trips, school assemblies, Halloween/Valentine's parties, class instruction, school clubs, choir events, etc. All photos must only be of school related activities. ****Boy Scouts and Girl Scout activities are not school related.**



Please email pictures to olneydragonyearbook@gmail.com. Photographs **MUST** be in high resolution and will not be accepted if the images are too grainy.

If you are MCPS volunteer trained and would like to assist in taking candid photographs of specials (music, PE, Media, instrumental, Art) or during lunch or recess please contact the yearbook coordinator, Kelly Weigand, at olneydragonyearbook@gmail.com.

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Winter Weather is Here!!!!

A uniform procedure to close all schools is maintained so that the school system can respond quickly to emergency weather conditions. Information about the weather is gathered from many sources, including The National Weather Service, AccuWeather, the news media and inspection of the roads, school driveways and sidewalks throughout the county. Information from these various sources is factored into decision making for school closures and delays.

There are many ways in which you can find out about school closings and delays, please do not call school.

Parents can sign up for Alert MCPS. Alert MCPS provides you with emergency information about school operations via text messages (i.e. SMS text or email messages) to devices you register. Signing up for Alert MCPS is free, but your wireless carrier may charge you a fee to receive text messages. This service is provided in collaboration with the Montgomery County government. Weather-related messages are sent in English and Spanish.

The Montgomery County Public Schools website: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org>

Local news and radio stations

Comcast Channel 34

Verizon Fios Channel 36

Recorded Information on [301-279-3673](tel:301-279-3673)

Twitter <http://twitter.com/mcps>



Trex®

The Trex Recycling has begun! Have your children bring in plastic grocery bags or the plastic films listed below to help us win a Trex bench and help the environment!

- Plastic grocery bags
- Bread bags
- Produce bags
- Case over-wrap
- Cereal box liners
- Dry cleaning bags
- Newspaper sleeves
- Food storage bags
- Bubble wrap
- Air pillows

Please make sure plastic is dry and has no food residue. Recycle bins are located around the school.