

### **Cold Spring Elementary School**

We had a wonderful week of learning at Cold Spring! I want to thank our PTA for purchasing new recess equipment for our students. They have been engaged in soccer, volleyball, four-square, gaga ball, crafts, jumping rope, and so much more. We truly appreciate the support and help in providing our students with a great recess experience.

### Coming Soon: Cold Spring Field Day

Field Day is coming up on Friday, May 10! Email Mrs. Lewis (Sekerak) at Paige\_S\_Lewis@mcpsmd.org if you are interested in volunteering.

#### Instrumental Music Concert

This year's Spring instrumental music concert for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade is scheduled for Thursday May 23rd at 7pm in the All Purpose Room. All family members and friends are welcome to attend! Please have students report to the media center at 6:40PM with their instruments and music. Dress code is black and white.

All students are expected to be present. Please notify Mr. Poet directly if there are any conflicts. We look forward to seeing you there!

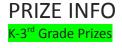
### Pedestrian Safety Art Contest 2024 - NOW OPEN!

Deadline to Submit: April 30, 2024 by: 11:59pm

\*\*\*\*\*Please share this wonderful educational opportunity with your students, parents and teachers. Art classes are welcome to participate\*\*\*\*

The Montgomery County <u>Safe Routes to School</u> (SRTS) program has launched our annual <u>Pedestrian</u> <u>Safety Art Contest</u> for all elementary school (private & public) students in Montgomery County. Th purpose of the contest is to have students use their creativity to educate themselves and others about the importance of walking safely. Not only is it important for students to go to school, but they MUST get there safely.

Please have your students participate in the contest by encouraging them to create artwork around pedestrian safety and <u>SUBMIT IT HERE!</u> **Teachers**, this will be a great class assignment and learning lesson for your students. Please encourage them to participate and have their parent or guardian submit their entry. There is NO entry fee for any student that participates in the contest. Winning artwork from the contest will not only be displayed on the SRTS website, social media and they will be awarded the prizes below:





1st Place - \$75 Barnes & Noble Gift Card 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$50 Barnes & Noble Gift Card 3rd Place - \$25 Barnes & Noble Gift Card

#### 4-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Prizes

1st Place - \$75 Amazon Gift Card 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$50 Amazon Gift Card 3rd Place - \$25 Amazon Gift Card

**BONUS SCHOOL PRIZE:** The school with the largest number of submissions (based on percentage of student population) will win \$200 to MICHAEL'S for art supplies.

**CLICK HERE** or visit our website below for more information about the contest.

Visiting the Building?
We have been working hard in the front office to upgrade some of our front office procedures. We will be using the **Visitor Management System** for anyone entering our building, with the exception of MCPS employees. If you are planning to come into the building, please make sure you have your driver's license or passport to sign in. Ms. Okoroha or Ms. Friedman can support you with this. This is solely for the safety and security of our students and staff at Cold Spring.

### Weekly Classroom Updates

In an effort to ensure clear communication, we will be providing grade level updates each Sunday to families. Our teachers are working hard to keep this document up to date. Please make sure to click your grade level and read. Any questions regarding content can be directed to your child's teacher. Also, please note this document is also posted on our school website for you to access at any time.

<u>Kindergarten</u>	<u>1st Grade</u>	2nd Grade
<u>3rd Grade</u>	4th Grade	<u>5th Grade</u>

### From the PTA:



# Science Fair: Understanding the World Around Us, Thursday May 16th, 5:30-7:30pm Flyer HERE

Calling all Cold Spring students interested in exploring science ideas related to everyday life, such as the human body, energy, electricity, weather and more. Students can present how things work by conducting experiments, building models, and observing natural phenomena. Everybody is welcome to attend! To participate please register by May 6: https://forms.gle/3w7Ktq\$7Qo29Dpss6

#### End of the School Year Party!

Please note that the Cold Spring End of Year Party has been changed to Monday, June 3rd, 2024 on the Cold Spring Blacktop. Details will follow in the coming weeks.

#### **Restaurant Night**

Thank you to all of the families who participated in our restaurant fundraiser last night at Hello Vietnam! And thank you to Hello Vietnam! for their generosity. The food was delicious!

Please mark your calendars for our next fundraiser which will be at **Colony Grill** in Cabin John Village. It will run **May 6 - 10**. Come enjoy pizza any time during the week and support the PTA!

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#### **Before/After School Activities**

Please sign up ASAP for before/after school activities, which have begun. We have many new and exciting opportunities! Providers must reserve rooms a week in advance, so if classes are under-enrolled, they will be cancelled.

- Monday- Basketball
- Tuesday Beginner Disney Musical Theater, After School Yoga
- Wednesday Soccer, Lego Deilab, Beginner Hip Hop, Cooking
- Thursday-Pottery, Spanish
- Friday- Chess (before school), Tennis and Karate

Sign up here: <a href="https://schools.kiddo.us/s/coldspring-md">https://schools.kiddo.us/s/coldspring-md</a>

#### A Message from the Yearbook Committee

If you have any fantastic photos of your kids, we would love to include them in the 2023-2024 yearbook.

Please use the following links to submit photos for specific events:

- First Day of School: First Day of School Photos
- Back to School Bash: Back to School Bash Photos
- Halloween: <u>Halloween Photos</u>



International Night: International Night Photos

#### Yearbook Orders! The deadline for yearbook sales is THIS MONDAY 4/29

It's time to order your yearbooks! Use the link below to pre-order your 23/24 Cold Spring ES yearbook. We do not order very many additional copies for purchase after delivery, so if you want a yearbook, you should pre-order using the link below. The sale price has ended.

\$30 softcover or \$35 hardcover

#### Final deadline to order 4/29 Order here:

https://shop.yearbookmarket.com/coldspringelementary

#### **Fun New Spring Spirit Wear**

Check out the new springtime spirit wear available from a new vendor we are working with. With this vendor you will order directly from the website and it will be produced and shipped directly to you right away. Cold Spring will receive 10% of sales as a donation back to the school. See flyer HERE.

This link will be live until the end of May! Happy shopping! https://scarletandgoldshop.com/collections/cold-spring-elementary

#### Label Daddy (Flyer **HERE**)

Summer will be here before we know it! Looking to buy personalized name labels for camp and the pool? Label Daddy will give 25% of your purchase back to the PTA! The peel and stick, washable labels are great for school too. They can be used on jackets, water bottles, lunch boxes, notebooks, binders and more! Please shop using this link: http://www.labeldaddy.com/csespta

#### 24-25 PTA Board

If you are interested in joining the PTA Board next year, please reach out to Erika Schor, <a href="mailto:erika.schor@gmail.com">erika.schor@gmail.com</a>

#### **PTA Calendar**

Check out the most current PTA calendar <u>HERE</u> for all upcoming events (dates are subject to change)

#### April

Monday, April 29th: Yearbook Order Sales Close

#### May

- May 5th-10th: Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 6th-10th: Restaurant Night at Colony Grill
- Thursday, May 16th: STEM Fair
- Tuesday, May 21st: PTA Elections, 7pm, in person
- Friday, May 31st: Principal Coffee, 9am



# Calendar Updates:

- May 1st Grade 4 Field Trip to Great Falls
- May 2nd MCAP Testing Grades 3-5
- May 3rd House Color Day, Grade 1 Field Trip King Farm Dairy Mooseum