



Spring Ridge Elementary School THURSDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS



December 18, 2008



SRES Winter Chorus Concert TONIGHT: SRES Chorus will be having their Winter Concert on **Thursday, December 18th at 7:00 pm.** Students in the Chorus should arrive at 6:30 pm and are asked to wear black shoes with black pants/skirt and white tops. Bring the whole family and enjoy this evening of joyful music.



SRES Yearbook presale ends Tuesday Dec. 23rd: HURRY and order your 2008-2009 Yearbook. The cost of the 2008-2009 Yearbook is the same as last year's price, \$20! Please complete the yearbook envelope to place your order and enclose a **check made payable to Spring Ridge Elementary School.** After Jan. 1st, the yearbook price will increase to \$23. **If you order during the Dec. 4-23rd presale dates, you are guaranteed a yearbook for your child.** *After Dec. 23, there is no guarantee that extra yearbooks will be available for sale. Yearbooks will not be delivered to SRES until May 2009.*

Need a bit of holiday cheer?: A selected number of first grade students have worked very hard on creating an E-Card for you. Go to the school website at www.schools.fcps.org/sres/ and click on the First Grade E-Card link to view them. 'Tis the season to be jolly!

Support Educational Technology in Maryland Schools: Are we preparing students for the 21st Century workplace? Are your child's classroom and school up to date with technology? The Maryland State Department of Education joins school systems nationwide in asking these important questions. Your answers can make a difference in school technology resources. Please complete the **NETDay Speakup Survey:** <http://www.netdayspeakup.org/Speakup2008> before December 19. Give children resources to succeed!



FCTA Vote to Ratify the Negotiated Agreement: The members of FCTA have voted overwhelmingly to ratify the tentative agreement between FCTA and the Board of Education. A press release was sent to the media December 15, 2008, concerning this vote.

SRES website: <http://schools.fcps.org/sres>

After School Activities: FCPS will cancel afterschool activities even when school has not been closed early. If the weather is questionable, please check Frederick Channel 18 or www.fcps.org to see if afterschool activities have been cancelled. Signing up for Find out First will guarantee you get email regarding all cancellations or delays.

Do you have any CD players at home that you are no longer using? The special education department is still in need of some small individual CD players that use headphones. Now that so many people are using I-Pods and MP3 players, it's possible that your old portable CD player is just sitting on a shelf or in a drawer somewhere not being used. If anyone has one of these (or several) old individual CD players, and you are willing to donate them to SRES, please send them to school addressed to Mrs. Sharper.

Outside Activities during Cold Weather: Please keep in mind that students will go out for recess, weather permitting. Please be sure that your child is adequately dressed for the weather - winter coat/jacket, gloves/mittens, and hat. Students will not go outside for recess or physical education whenever the temperature falls below 20 degrees, including the wind chill factor.



Update your Volunteer Hours: The Volunteer Hours will be sub totaled over the Holiday Break. Please make sure your volunteer hours are up-to-date in the Volunteer Hours book at school. SRES appreciates the time that volunteers give. We are fortunate to have such a great group of volunteers! Thank You!!!

Reading Book Club: Will meet in the Media Center every Thursday morning from 8:45-9:15 am and afternoon from 3:45-4:30 pm. Please sign up on the flyer that came home recently.



Happy Holiday Reading: The card 4 party deadline is fast approaching, be sure to have the first 4 cards turned in by January 6th to be eligible for this prize. This gives you plenty of time to read over the holidays and get caught up. All students are eligible for this prize even if you didn't get the first card turned in on time! Pick up a good book and start reading. Check our website for new songs on the Ipods. Booktalks will be on the website before the break!

School Boundary Changes: FCPS welcomes public comment in setting new attendance-area boundaries and feeder patterns for 2010 when our 10th high school opens. You are invited to view draft school-redistricting options, hear a brief staff presentation, and offer comments. Each meeting will cover the same information and is open to all school communities. The meetings start at 7:00 pm. Thursday, December 18 New Market Middle
For more information online: <http://fcps.org/ohsredistricting>. FCPS Television (Comcast cable 18) will record each meeting for broadcast the following night.

Glory Days Receipts for Carrie's Cause: When you dine at a Glory Days Grill (**Frederick, Germantown, Towson, Bowie, Burke & Fairfax**) Sept. 28th through Dec. 31, 2008, the restaurant will contribute 10% of your total food purchases to Carrie's Cause. Simply ask your server for a copy of your itemized guest check (not credit card receipt), stating that it's for Carrie's Cause. Please send the receipts to school with your child to give to the teacher or bring them yourself in an envelope marked Carrie's Cause.

Fifth Grade Flag Bearers for December/January:

Dec. 22-23 Kirsten An, Jacob Van Brunt

Jan. 5 - 9 Courtney Fox, Brandon Legge

UPCOMING DATES:

Dec. 18 SRES Chorus Concert 7:00 pm

Dec. 19 Spirit Day - Holiday Dress

Dec. 19 3rd Grade Winter Party 2:45-3:45 pm

Dec. 23 5th Grade Holiday Party 2:30-3:30 pm

Dec. 24-Jan2 School Closed Winter Break

Jan. 5 School Re-Opens

Jan. 7 Math Enrichment Club 3:45-4:30 pm

Jan. 12 Fine Dining (K,1,4)

Jan. 13 Fine Dining (2,3,5)

Jan. 13 PTA Meeting 6:30

Jan. 14 Math Enrichment Club 3:45-4:30 pm

Jan. 15 Dominos Night

Jan. 16 Term 2 ends 3:00 pm

Jan. 16 5th Grade Family Life Lesson PM

Jan. 19 School Closed - Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday

Jan. 20 School Closed - Prof Development for Staff

Jan. 21 School Closed - Teacher Work Day

Jan. 21 Chuck E Cheese Fundraiser 3:00-9:00 pm

Jan. 22 Second Semester - Term 3 begins

Jan. 22 Bus #451 Meeting

Jan. 26 Bus #541 Meeting

Jan. 28 Field Trip to ESSL (Briscoe) 11:15-1:45 pm

Jan. 28 Bus #261 Meeting

Jan. 28 Math Enrichment Club 3:45-4:30 pm

Jan. 29 Field Trip to ESSL (Knox, Paged) 11:15-1:45 pm

Jan. 29 Bus #348 Meeting

Jan. 30 SRES Spirit Day - Team Day