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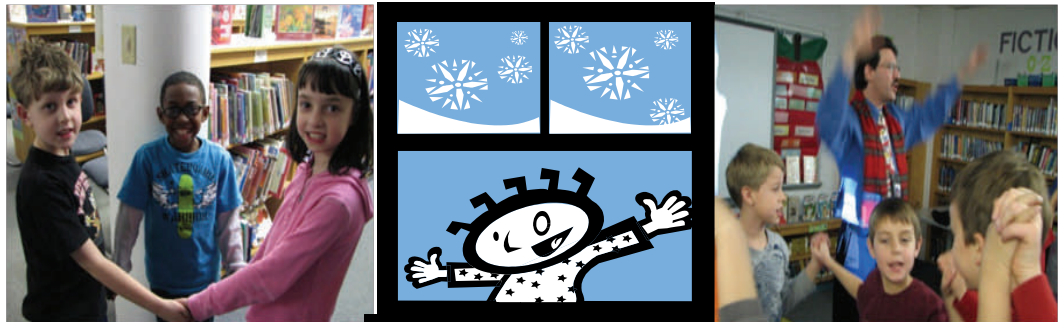
February 2012

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Third Grading Period Begins
2/9 OCES jump rope club performance at GMU 7pm
2/13 Band Concert 7pm
2/20 Presidents' Day Holiday—No School
2/24 Bingo Night 6pm
2/29 Family Dinner Night @ Jersey Mike's

Aron Sterling Visits With 2nd Grade Classes

Mr. Sterling visited with the 2nd grade classes last week. An expert in weather, he made it “snow” in the library. The students enjoyed his interactive presentation about the weather cycle.



Survey of Preschool Children

March Highlights

- 3/15 PTA Meeting 7pm
- 3/15 Frost Family Festival for Rising 7th Graders
- 3/16 Music Concert 7pm
- 3/21 Philadelphia field trip parent meeting 7pm
- 3/23 Sock Hop
- 3/23 Spring & Class Picture Day

Be sure to save the dates!

A Survey of Preschool Children is being sent home in today's Friday Packet. Children who will reach their fifth birthday on or before September 30, 2012 must be enrolled in kindergarten for the 2012-2013 school year, unless the parent or guardian notifies the school in writing that they do not wish the child to attend school until the following year.

It is not necessary to return this survey unless you have a preschooler ready for kindergarten. If you have a child who is eligible to attend kindergarten in the 2012-13 school year, please complete this survey and return it to school by March 30, 2012. **This survey is not a kindergarten registration. You will still need to complete the proper registration forms to enroll your child.**

Registration packets are available in the school office and on the FCPS website: www.fcps.edu or at the Kindergarten Parent Orientation on May 7, 2012.



PE Class Reminder

On scheduled PE days, please have your child wear or bring:

- Clean socks
- Tennis shoe/sneakers
- Energy!



SAFETY FIRST



In January/February we had or will have our:

- ◆ Lock down drill
- ◆ Bus Evacuation drill (scheduled for 2/6)
- ◆ Fire drill
- ◆ Tornado drill (in the upcoming months)

Our students and teachers are doing a great job of learning to be safe!

Congratulations Olde Creek student Sarah Kim, 2nd Place winner !!

Congratulations to Sarah Kim for winning Second Place in the 2011 American Academy of Pediatrics Children's Art Contest (grades 3-5). As a winner, Sarah received a check for \$250. In addition,

because she is a winner, Olde Creek receives a matching amount!

*2011 American Academy of
Pediatrics Children's Art Contest*



Olde Creek Teachers are still learning too!

Recently, several of our teachers received **Responsive Classroom** training. This training is a widely used, research-backed approach to elementary education that increases academic achievement, improves social skills, and leads to more high-

quality instruction. Our teachers are excited and will gradually implement the strategies learned as the year goes on. We are expecting to provide this training to more of our teachers in the future.



Responsive Classroom