



The Bear Bulletin

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Home of the Bears

We had a wonderful time at Laps for Learning! The Olde Creek Bear even came to run some laps!



Ready, set GO!!

We Finished!

Dad and daughter cross the finish line together!

Special thanks to the PTA Laps for Learning Committee for all of the hours of work spent planning, organizing and coordinating this wonderful fundraiser and community event. A lot of time, energy and hard work was put into making this event a success. We want to say THANK YOU to Sue Taylor, Peggy Maurizi, Shelley Stoker and Melissa Crowley. It was an amazing day! We loved having the Olde Creek Bear visit too. Thanks OCE BEAR! ☺

Updates and Reminders

Columbus Day Holiday:

As a reminder, there will be no school on 10/12/09.

H1N1 Update:

The Olde Creek School community is working closely with FCPS and the Fairfax County Health department as we face the challenges of an active flu season. Influenza-related activities continue to be on the upswing with increased reports of influenza-like illness. Virginia has reached the classification of “widespread” for flu-like illnesses with 99 percent of all subtype influenza A viruses being reported to CDC as influenza A (H1N1) viruses. FCPS continues to work with Fairfax County Health Department (FCHD) on preventing the transmission of flu. We continue to urge those with flu-like illness to stay home for at least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever, or signs of a fever, without the use of fever-reducing medicines. The symptoms of H1N1 flu are similar to the symptoms of seasonal flu and include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headaches, chills, and fatigue.

FY 2011 Budget:

FCPS has prepared a FY 2011 fiscal forecast that provides information on potential revenue shortfalls and deficits for the next budget year. This information was presented at a joint work session of the Fairfax County School Board and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on September 29. The full presentation can be viewed at <http://www.fcps.edu/news/fy2011/fiscalforecast93009bos.pdf>.

Kiss and Ride and Cross-walk:

In order to keep the kiss and ride line moving, please plan to park and walk your child inside if you have to get out of your car to assist them with instruments, projects or birthday goodies. Also, please ensure that you use the cross-walk when coming to and from school. Please do not cross in front of the buses. This is for your safety.

Parent Resource Center Web Site Provides Information for Parents of Special Needs Children:

The Parent Resource Center (PRC) maintains a list of upcoming workshops, activities, and events for parents of children with special needs. A complete list of all upcoming workshops and activities is available on the PRC web site <http://www.fcps.edu/cc/prc/workshops.htm>. For more information, contact the PRC by e-mail at prc@fcps.edu or by phone at 703-204-3941.



Olde Creek Elementary School was awarded the Apple Wellness Award at a ceremony held on September 28th. In the photo to the right, Marilynn Sting, our P.E. teacher accepts the award on our behalf. Special thanks to Mrs. Poms, a former Olde Creek Parent, who worked with our staff to complete the award application. This award recognizes schools that integrate and focus on student and staff wellness throughout the year.

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Olde Creek Elementary School

November 2009



October Highlights

10/12: **Columbus Day – No School**
 10/13-16: **Fall Book Fair Sales**
 10/14: **Family Dinner Night**
 Location: TBD
 10/15: **Fall Individual Pictures**
 10/22: **PTA Meeting w/ Sharon Weiss**
 “From Chaos to Calm”
 10/29: **Field trip to E.C. Lawrence**
Park - Kindergarten
 10/30: **Halloween Howl!**

December Preview

12/9: **Family Dinner Night**
 Location: TBD
 12/23: **2 Hour Early Release**
Dismissal @ 1:00 pm
 12/24- 01/01: **WINTER BREAK**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 TEACHER WORKDAYS No School	3 TEACHER WORKDAYS No School	4 2nd Grading Period Begins *Drama Club (03:00 pm – 04:15 pm) *Jump Rope Club Gr 1& 2 (03:00 pm – 04:00 pm)	5 *Dance Club (03:15 pm – 04:00 pm) *Jump Rope Club- Gr 3-6 (03:00 pm – 04:00 pm)	6 Field trip to “The Edge” – 6th Grade *Art Club- Gr 4-6 (03:15 pm – 04:15 pm) *French FLEX 1/2 (03:05 pm – 04:05 pm)
9 * Overtime Athletics (12:40 pm – 1:40 pm) *Spanish Level 2 (12:35 pm – 1:35 pm)	10 *Jump Rope Club-Gr 3-6 (03:00 pm – 04:00 pm) PTA MEETING (Testing w/ Mrs. Mack & Mrs. Prati @ 7:00 pm)	11 PROGRESS REPORTS GO HOME TO PARENTS *Drama Club (03:00 pm – 04:15 pm) *Jump Rope Club Gr 1& 2 (03:00 pm – 04:00 pm) *Homework Club Gr 4-6 (03:00 pm – 03:45 pm) FAMILY DINNER NIGHT	12 *Dance Club (03:15 pm – 04:00 pm) *Jump Rope Club- Gr 3-6 (03:00 pm – 04:00 pm)	13 *Art Club- Gr 4-6 (03:15 pm – 04:15 pm) *French FLEX 1/2 (03:05 pm – 04:05 pm)
16 * Overtime Athletics (12:40 pm – 1:40 pm) *Spanish Level 2 (12:35 pm – 1:35 pm)	17 *Jump Rope Club-Gr 3-6 (03:00 pm – 04:00 pm) *Fall Individual Make-Up*	18 THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON *Drama Club (03:00 pm – 04:15 pm) *Jump Rope Club Gr 1& 2 (03:00 pm – 04:00 pm) *Homework Club Gr 4-6 (03:00 pm – 03:45 pm)	19 *Dance Club (03:00 pm – 04:00 pm) *Jump Rope Club- Gr 3-6 (03:00 pm – 04:00 pm)	20 *Art Club- Gr 4-6 (03:15 pm – 04:15 pm) *French FLEX 1/2 (03:05 pm – 04:05 pm)
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