

# MIDDLETOWN ELEMENTARY

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## October Calendar

### Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>

- Mixedbag Fundraiser Orders Due

### Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>

- Book Fair
- Open Daily 8:45-3:30
- **Updated Information:**  
Open late on Thursday until 6 pm

### Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>

- Fall Pictures

### Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>

- Dads & Donuts 7:30-8:45 am

### Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

- No School

### Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>

- No School

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Open Daily 8:45 – 3:30  
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## Picture Day

October 18<sup>th</sup>

Individual pictures only  
Classroom group pictures will be November 16<sup>th</sup>



## Dads & Donuts

October 19<sup>th</sup> 7:30 – 8:45 am

Students are invited to bring their dad, granddad, uncle or other special guest.

**mixedbag**  
designs

All orders due October 4<sup>th</sup>



## Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>

# **CANCELLED**

Refunds will be issued to those already registered

## October Calendar

2 Day 2	3 Day 3	4 Day 4	5 Day 5	6 Day 1
9 Day 2	10 Day 3	11 Day 4	12 Day 5	13 Day 1
16 Day 2	17 Day 3	18 Day 4	19 Day 5	20 No School
23 No School	24 Day 1	25 Day 2	26 Day 3	27 Day 4
30 Day 5	31 Day 1			

## November

		1 Day 2	2 Day 3	3 Day 4
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Newsletters are always available online on our MES website  
[mes.frederick.k12.va.us](http://mes.frederick.k12.va.us)  
 on our home page under NEWS, click the link 2016-2017 newsletters.

If you would like to have a printed copy, please send a note to the office.



# Instagram

**Thank you for visiting and following our  
 #MESsummerreading Instagram page!**

We would like to congratulate our giveaway winners: Mrs. Ridings and Mrs. DiVittorio!



## School Nurse

### Donations Request:

- Small healthy snacks (pretzels, crackers, sunchips)
- Small cans of ginger ale

Parents, please follow up with your family doctor or urgent care for injuries/illness that occur at home. The school clinic provides nursing care to students while at school with nursing care plan/medication order on file and illnesses/injuries that occur during the school day.

Please sign/return clinic notes to school to ensure that the note has been received. Please contact Ms. McGowan RN.BSN at [mcgowanv@fcpsk12.net](mailto:mcgowanv@fcpsk12.net) for questions or info.

**Reminder:** Please remember to have students wear safe shoes for recess/PE and dress for the current weather conditions  
**Screening October 26<sup>th</sup>** : K students (not screened on school physical and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders will be screened for hearing and vision.



**With your help and support, our August/September  
 food drive donated 951 lbs of food!  
 Thank you so much!**

# News from the School Board Office



Parent/Student 360 usernames and passwords for 2017-18 are the same as they were last year. Those who have not previously logged in to Parent/Student 360 were sent an email on September 15 detailing the process and providing usernames and passwords. If you've forgotten your username and/or password, you can easily reset them within Parent/Student 360. Instructions on how to review and update your child's contact information is available through the FCPS website. Individuals who do not have Internet access and are unable to complete the process online should complete a Student Registration/Emergency Form and return it to their child's school. Forms can be requested from the school. Reviewing and updating your contact information is important so the school can contact you in the event of an emergency, you can receive messages sent via the FCPS Rapid Communication System, and items mailed to you by the school, including end-of-year report cards, can be delivered. Thank you for your attention to this matter.



On October 23, Frederick County Public Schools is collaborating with the Frederick County Sheriff's Office to conduct a school safety drill at Admiral Richard E. Byrd Middle School. The drill is being conducted to identify areas of strength and areas of improvement for both law enforcement and the school division as we work together to improve how response would occur in the event of an actual school emergency. The drill will result in Justus Drive being closed, thus limiting access to both Evendale Elementary School and Admiral Richard E. Byrd Middle School. There will also be a great deal of activity involving law enforcement and first responders in that area as the drill is conducted and debriefings occur. There is no school for students on October 23, but it's important that the community know about the drill so concerns aren't raised due to the prevalence of law enforcement activity in the area surrounding Admiral Byrd Middle School on that date.



Keeping schools safe is everyone's responsibility. If you see suspicious activity, be prepared to give a detailed report to school staff and the authorities. Pay special attention to things like: What, specifically, you observed; who you saw; when and where you saw it; and why it seemed suspicious. These details will help school staff and the authorities as they work to keep our schools and students safe. Please report any suspicious activity noted in the vicinity of schools to the Frederick County Sheriff's Office at 540-662-6168.



## chromebook

Students in grades 2-5 have each been issued a Chromebook for use at school. Students in Kindergarten and 1st grade have Chromebooks to share within their classrooms. The purpose of the Chromebook is to provide each student access to required educational materials needed to promote and enhance learning. The Chromebook is a learning tool. Please view the *1:1 Chromebook Stay at School Procedures* in its entirety. You can access this information by [clicking here](#).



### Update Your Information

In an effort to save time, paper and money, Frederick County Public Schools is asking parents/guardians to use Parent/Student 360 (Tyler) to review and update contact/emergency information for each of their students. Between October 2 and October 15, parents/guardians should login to their Parent/Student 360 account to review and update the contact and emergency information for each of their students. Parent/Student 360 usernames and passwords for 2017-18 are the same as they were last year. Those who have not previously logged in to Parent/Student 360 were sent an email on September 15 detailing the process and providing usernames and passwords. If you've forgotten your username and/or password, you can easily reset them within Parent/Student 360. Instructions on how to review and update your child's contact information is available through the FCPS website. Individuals who do not have Internet access and are unable to complete the process online should complete a Student Registration/Emergency Form and return it to their child's school. Forms can be requested from the school. Reviewing and updating your contact information is important so the school can contact you in the event of an emergency, you can receive messages sent via the FCPS Rapid Communication System, and items mailed to you by the school, including end-of-year report cards, can be delivered. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*celebrating your child's birthday at school*

## **REMINDER! REMINDER! REMINDER!**

**Baked goods and/or bakery items will not be allowed in our cafeteria or classrooms for celebration.**

**Ex: cupcakes, cakes, large cookie, etc.**

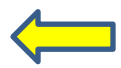
**This includes anything that is baked and/or packaged in a store or specialty shop.**

**There are many other options to help you recognize your child's special day:**

- ★ **Donate a book to the classroom library**
- ★ **Send in a pencil or bookmark for each student**
- ★ **Send in pre-packaged fruit snacks, original/plain *Rice Krispie* treats, *Jello-O* pudding cups, etc. If you send in a pre-packaged item listed, it will be enjoyed during classroom snack time.**



**Please contact the classroom teacher at least three (3) days in advance.**



**Please keep in mind, when hosting private birthday parties or other celebrations - students will not be allowed to distribute party invitations unless an invitation is given to each student in the class.**

**The only exception is if a student distributes the invitations during arrival or dismissal time; teachers will not facilitate this process. As part of school policy, we do not release names, phone numbers, or addresses of students.**

**In addition, Middletown Elementary is also offering a Nutritious Party menu. Please call Mrs. Harrelson, cafeteria manager, for more information (540-869-4615). Please contact her two (2) weeks in advance (due to ordering and delivery time).**