



NAVY NEWS

Mark Your Calendar

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PTO Board

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Principals' Corner

It's hard to believe that we are already at the beginning of October! Below are a few events that have happened or will be happening soon.

Back to School Nights

It was great to see so many of you at the Back to School Nights. We hope the teacher presentations provided you good information about his/her classroom.

Preparing for Parent/Teacher Conferences

The end of the 1st quarter is approaching and soon it will be time for parent/teacher conferences. These conferences are an excellent opportunity to find out how your child is adjusting to the new school year and to get to know his/her teacher. Below are some tips to ensure that the conference is productive and positive.

1. Speak with your child about their thoughts on school prior to the conference.
2. Be prepared to answer questions that might be asked by the teacher about your child.
3. Share what your child enjoys most about school
4. Team with your child's teacher to determine goals and expectations.
5. Understand that teacher feedback is critical to your child's academic success.
6. Note the important points of the conference.
7. Share the results of the conference with your child.
8. As a parent, you are the most important teacher in your child's life.
9. We are a team! Together we will work to ensure a positive and successful school experience for your child.

Office Assistant

Please congratulate Tina Tagliavia, one of our office assistants. She was promoted to Student Information Assistant (SIA) at Fairfax Villa ES in FCPS. She has worked at Navy ES for the last eight years. She worked as an Instructional Assistant for the first three years and has been an office assistant for the past five years. She also lives in the Navy community. Her last day at Navy will be on October 21. We wish her the best as she starts her new position on October 24.

PTO Corner

Navy Families,

Happy Autumn! It's hard to believe that we're halfway through October and halfway through the first quarter, but here we are!

The PTO kicked the school year off in high gear, and we aren't slowing down. In September we had our Welcome Back to School picnic, along with Back to School Nights and our first PTO meeting. Before and after school activities and Enrichments also got off the ground. It was quite a beginning, but let's look ahead to see what's coming up...

The Library is hosting its annual Book Fair beginning with previews starting October 18 and sales running from October 20-26. You can purchase books for your students, family or even the teachers – they've each created a wish list!

Then, in celebration of all things Fall, we have our annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest. Our Navy students let their creativity fly. In the past we've run the gamut from Olaf pumpkins to emoji pumpkins to pumpkin scenes involving sound and electronics. The sky's the limit and prizes are awarded. For more details, look for the flyer in your Friday Folder.

Also, the PTO is excited to announce the return of the Navy Runners Club. It will take place on Wednesday mornings, beginning on October 19 at 8:10 AM. It's open to all students, K-6. Simply fill out the permission slip and come run with us. As in years past, toe tokens are given out for every 30 laps completed, and a t-shirt is awarded at year-end to the top 100 runners with the most laps run. This is a free program for our Navy students, lead by dedicated parents hoping to share their love of running. Bring your student out for some early morning exercise!

Principals' Corner Continued

Family Life Education (FLE)

Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) provides a comprehensive, sequential Family Life Education (FLE) program for kindergarten through grade twelve. Instruction is seen as a partnership among parents and guardians, the school, and the community in supporting the learning essential to the development of strong families, positive relationships, and a healthy community.

Parents/guardians may choose to opt their child out of all or part of the Family Life Education program. Students who are opted out are provided with age-appropriate, alternative health instruction, and every effort is made to foster respect for family choices. If you wish to opt your child out of all or part of FLE for this school year, opt out forms were included in your child's back-to-school/orientation packets and are available online at <http://www.fcps.edu/is/hpe/fle.shtml>. Please fill in the opt-out form and return it to your child's school prior to Family Life Education instruction.

Detailed grade-level program descriptions are available online at <http://www.fcps.edu/is/hpe/fle.shtml> and FLE grade level-specific lessons are available for parents online in FCPS 24-7 (Blackboard) Parent View. Parents/guardians will need the new SIS account to access FCPS 24-7. Account information is available at your local school or online at <http://www.fcps.edu/is/instructionaltechnology/247help/parents.shtml>. Grade level-specific lessons are also available at the Fairfax County Regional Library in the City of Fairfax (this location does not have media). Grade level-specific lessons and media are also available for review at your child's school library. Due to copyright permissions, we are unable to stream media online.

Navy will be hosting a Parent Preview Night the evening of Wednesday, November 9 in the cafeteria. Grades K-3 will be from 6:30 – 7:00 pm. Grades 4-6 will be from 7:15-8:00 pm. Parents will have the opportunity to review materials that will be taught to your children and have questions answered. Teachers will provide dates of when they plan to teach the FLE curriculum at their grade level.

Please contact Molly Booe, mebooe@fcps.edu, if you have questions.

Advance Academic Program (AAP) Information

Kristen Scudder, our Advance Academic Resource Teacher, AART, will be hosting an AAP Parent Meeting on October 20 at 9:00 am in the cafeteria. She will be going over some general information about AAP, as well as a timeline of when referrals are due this year. Please note that the county referral dates have been moved up this year. If you are NEW to the county (Grades 3-6), the deadline to submit your child's referral is October 6, 2016. If your child was in the county last year (Grades 2-6), the deadline is January 13, 2016. If you have any questions, please contact Kristen Scudder.

—Jon Coch, Principal; Faye Cofer, Assistant Principal; Molly Boe, Assistant Principal

PTO Corner Continued

Lastly, I wanted to update you on the success of our Navy Fun Run. We have done our first counting of the pledges and I can say that this fundraiser was a definitive success! Here are some statistics: we had 861 runners, who ran an average of 34.75 laps. Through our efforts, over 200 meals were donated to needy families. As of today, we're still collecting pledges and hoping to hit 100%. It appears that we'll have raised more than \$40,000 to benefit new technologies and more, but an exact figure will be forthcoming. All of these funds go directly back to our school, and all of our students share in the benefits. Thank you to **Dana Rosensweig**, our PTO 1st VP. She saw this fundraiser through, from beginning to end, and the proof is in the pudding. The kids had fun, and accomplished a lot of good. Thank you too, to all of the families and friends who supported not only our runners, but our school!

Our next PTO meeting is on November 18 at 9:30 AM. We would love to see you there. No strong-arming for volunteering; no peer pressure to join a committee – I promise! Just come hear what we're about and see what we're up to. The PTO is **your** Parent-Teacher Organization. We're here to serve you, the students and the school, to help make Navy the best it can be. Together, we can make that happen!

Janna Wolff
 President,
 Navy Elementary PTO



Pumpkin Decorating Contest

Fall Pumpkin Decorating Contest - Friday, October 28

Our Annual Fall Pumpkin Decorating Contest is just around the corner! Navy students are encouraged to decorate and enter their pumpkins in our Fall Pumpkin Contest on Friday, October 28.

A prize will be awarded in each grade! Students can work on their own, in groups, or with their families. Pumpkin decorating guidelines and the Entry Form will be sent home in Friday Folders on Friday, October 14!



Navy Book Fair

Get into a GREAT BOOK!

Mark your calendars and join us for the **2016 Navy Book Fair!**

Are you looking for a great new book to read and want to support the Navy Library at the same time? Don't miss the 2016 Navy Book Fair!

The Navy Book Fair opens for sales on **Friday, October 21 from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM.**

Sales will continue on **Monday & Tuesday October 24th & 25th from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM** and on **Wednesday, October 26th from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM.**

Remember, all proceeds go to the Navy Library.

Navy Eco School: Kids Fall Flea Market

Join us at NAVY Eco-School's
KIDS FALL FLEA MARKET

Friday, November 18, 6:00-8:00 pm

The holidays are fast approaching, and what better time to clean out your old stuff and make room for new! Make some cash by selling old, unwanted items. Clean out your closet, look through your toy bins. Your trash is someone else's treasure!

Come SELL! Books, games, videos, action figures, toys, electronics, sporting goods...you name it! Anything is fair game to sell as long as it is USED! *Come SHOP!* Support our Navy student merchants. There are sure to be unique finds and great deals!

- Reserve your \$25 merchant space by **10/28/16**.
- Navy's Eco-school USA program promotes reducing, reusing and recycling therefore, no new merchandise is allowed. (Exception: a limited number of merchant tables will be available for those selling kid-made arts and crafts items or food items.)
- This event is open to Navy students only.

No time for dinner? Navy's Eco-Club will be selling pizza, juice boxes & water in the Cafeteria.

Parents... after the event, unwanted items will be donated to The Closet in Herndon. You WILL NOT need to lug unsold items home!

All proceeds from this event benefit Navy Eco-School - working to build eco-stewardship and awareness in our school and our community.

Questions? E-mail Viki Mutarelli at

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Register here: <http://tinyurl.com/navyfleamarket>

