



Roadrunner Review

Upcoming Events

- 9/15 6:00pm Ice Cream Social on the black top
- 9/15 7:00pm First PTA meeting of the year
- 9/22 6:00-8:45pm Back to School Night
- 10/5 9:30am PTA meeting
- 10/7 9:00 am Welcome Tea

For more information on these events and a complete listing, please check out the Marshall Road PTA website at:

www.marshallroadpta.org/monthlycalendar.html

Principal's Corner - Jennifer Heiges

Happy 50th Anniversary Marshall Road Elementary School!

I am honored to be serving this community as principal during this very special time. Marshall Road has come a long way in 50 years. This school year we will look back to where we began and cherish the years we have had together as an institution for learning and growing. I recently received an e-mail from a teacher who had been an original faculty member at MRE in 1961. I was humbled by her fond memories of our school and I look forward to her and others joining us this year to honor our 50 years in existence.

Our focus for the 2011-2012 school year continues to be building strong minds, bodies and character. We will do this one child at a time as we strive to create responsible citizens who can problem solve and who are prepared for the adventures of the

21st century. All students will be engaged in a high level of instruction as teachers continue to differentiate their lessons to meet all students' needs. Students at MRE will continue to set goals for themselves while identifying their strengths and areas of focus. Students will continue to participate in our positive behavior support program, learning to respect themselves, others and our community. Together we will continue our journey as a true learning community.

I look forward to meeting all the new families, and welcoming all the new and returning families into our school. Thank you for trusting Marshall Road ES with your most precious children! Together, we will watch them learn and grow throughout our 50th year.

Peace,

Jennifer Heiges
Principal

Note from the PTA President - Beth Eachus

On behalf of the PTA, I want to welcome you – or welcome you back – to Marshall Road Elementary School! Marshall Road is **Fifty Years Strong** this year and we are planning many new events to celebrate this milestone. But we need your support! Historically, our PTA has relied on product sales to support our many programs but, this year, we will be focusing on adding new fund-raising activities that promote the values of Marshall Road “Strong Minds, Strong Bodies, Strong Characters”. Please support our Direct Donation program as well as our first annual Run-athon in November and

our first annual Read-athon in February. Your support allows us to offer programs such as Art Smart, Fitness Warriors, Odyssey of the Mind, and FLEX (Foreign Language Program), provide buses for school field trips, and host family events such as our Ice Cream Social and International Night. Thank you for your support!!

We also need your ideas and your enthusiasm - our students' parents bring so much to our Marshall Road community. Please consider getting involved in your child's school!

Beth Eachus
president@marshallroadpta.org

MRE Needs Your Box Tops



Last school year we made \$507 from box-tops! This year we can collect even more. Just cut out the pink box-tops on all General Mills products and bring them to the container located in the library.

For every box-top that is turned in, Marshall Road will get 10 cents. Worried about forgetting to bring them in? Just bring in your Box-Tops with your school library books.

New products have been added to the Box Tops family, so make sure you check your boxes or containers before recycling or throwing them out. For more information and a complete listing of qualifying products go to www.boxtops4education.com or contact Sherlie Thomas at sjeanjackson@yahoo.com

Looking for Room Parents

Being a Room Parent provides a unique opportunity to support your child's teacher. It is also a wonderful way to meet the other children and families in your child's class. Room Parents assist as liaisons between the classroom teacher and students' families. Room Parents help communicate filling the teacher's volunteer and other needs to the families. The effort can range from making sure enough chaperones have signed up for a field trip, organizing class celebrations, to finding volunteers for stuffing the Tuesday folders. Room Parents promote the link between school and home that has helped make the Marshall Road community so strong.

If you are interested in being a Room Parent or would like to learn more, please contact Carolyn Ubben, Room Parent Network Chair at carolynubben@gmail.com or roomparent@marshallroadpta.org. Additionally, opportunities to sign up for Room Parent of your child's classroom will be available during Back-to-School night, September 22, 6-8:45 pm.

Do you want to know what is going on in our school community?

Join the PTA!

The Marshall Road Elementary School (MRES) Parent Teacher Association (PTA) is made up of parents just like you, working with the school to enrich our children's public school experience. You can join the PTA online at www.marshallroadpts.org/join.html

Our PTA meets monthly to discuss programs, provide special events for our teachers, raise funds and support our school. Please join us, **Thursday, September 15th at 7pm** (immediately following the ice cream social) for our first meeting of the 2011-2012 school year. We want to hear what you have to say!

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We want to know what you are interested in! Please send in ideas or comments to Lisa Dauernheim at newsletter@marshallroadpta.org

Get the Latest PTA News – sign up for eNews

PTA eNews includes information about upcoming events, meetings and issues along with links to the website where more detailed information is provided.

PTA eNews reaches those individuals who subscribe or who have expressed an interest in receiving information electronically. To protect your privacy, emails are not shared with third parties.

eNews is published electronically on Mondays, four times a month with a few exceptions. You must subscribe to eNews in order to receive it. You can subscribe at www.marshallroadpta.org/subscribe.html.

Extracurricular activities offered at MRE this semester

Mornings	Afternoons
Fitness Warriors	YoKids Yoga
Chess Club	Mad Science
Girls on the Run	Studio to Stage Bowen McCauley Dance
Foreign Language Experience (FLEX)	Lego Robotics Class
Running with the Stars (Boys running club)	Mural Club
	Odyssey of the Mind
	Guitar and Drum Club

Please note that the days of the week on which these activities will take place has not been finalized as of yet. Check the PTA website for updates. www.marshallroadpta.org

Grocery Cards Rewards Program – Don't forget to Renew or Sign up



Please sign up or renew your grocery club cards online right away. You must renew your cards each year for Marshall Road to receive the benefit. Contributions to Marshall Road won't begin until you have done this.

Giant – A+ Bonus Bucks – www.giantfood.com/aplus (Marshall Road Elementary code = 02126)

Safeway eScrip – www.escrip.com (Marshall Road Elementary code = 6533716)

Safeway 10% Back to School Program – A redemption code is printed on all receipts between Aug. 10 – Sept. 13. This code must be entered online in order for us to get the money from this program. You may enter it online yourself or send it to the office to be taken care of. eScrip member contributions will automatically go to their registered school. Collect codes from friends and family members as well. Also please encourage them to sign up to support Marshall Road. The more the merrier! If you have any questions, contact Alison Treppel at groceryrewards@marshallroadpta.org

The Roadrunner Review is going digital!!

The Roadrunner Review is the Marshall Road Elementary PTA monthly newsletter. It contains updates from the PTA and the Principal as well as feature articles on events and people in the Marshall Road community. The newsletter will be published online on the 1st of the month and printed only at the beginning of each semester. To make sure you receive the Roadrunner Review digitally, please submit your email address to: www.marshallroadpta.org/subscribe.html

Ms. Luck's Little Wellness Wisdom

As you prepare for back to school routines, it's a great time to get back to fitness and eating healthy. A good start is a minimum of 60 minutes a day of activity and choosing to eat healthy foods. Be a model for your kids! If they see you being active and eating healthy foods they will do it too. Have fun and do it together!

Volunteers Needed!

Have a few hours a semester to lend a hand to a teacher, a class, the library or the clinic? We need your help! Volunteers are always welcome at Marshall Road. The PTA runs many activities and events throughout the school year

so please support our school and get involved. The PTA needs chairpersons for events and committees so please go to www.marshallroadpta.org/volunteer.html to indicate where you might be interested in helping. Also, please contact your child's room parent first, as teachers often need help with stuffing Tuesday folders, making copies, and other classroom help. Often the teachers have some work that can be done from the comfort of your own home. Our Marshall Road Library needs help with re-shelving books. The clinic also always in need of volunteers for escorting children to in-school vision and hearing screenings as well as other tasks. There are plenty of ways to volunteer throughout the year!

50th Anniversary

Marshall Road Elementary School is celebrating 50 years of education excellence in our neighborhood. Contact the PTA at president@marshallroadpta.org if you would like to be involved with planning for our anniversary celebrations!



Teacher Feature:



Patti Page

As the special education lead teacher at Marshall Road, Ms. Page wears a variety of hats every day. Whether leading our local screening committee, hosting student lunch groups, teaching reading and

supporting multiple grade levels with intervention, Ms. Page is one of the pillars of the Marshall Road community. Her love for children and enthusiasm for learning foster the success of her students and facilitate the development of our teachers at Marshall Road and beyond. Ms. Page is a teacher leader in the FCPS Great Beginnings new teacher program, as well as an adjunct professor and intern supervisor for George Washington University. Students knock down Ms. Page's door for more than just special lunch visits. They are motivated and uplifted by her positive attitude and high expectations for student achievement.

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