

# Eagle News

“In Pursuit of Excellence”

Principal: Dr. Carr

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Parents and Friends,

Wow, I certainly hope that everyone was safe in this snowy winter, but Spring is almost here!

We have begun the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter and off to a good start. **MSA Testing will be March 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> for Reading and March 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> for Math.** Please remember to allow your children to go to bed early and make sure they eat breakfast so that they are well rested and full on test days. Progress reports will be distributed March 12<sup>th</sup>.

As always, the Tayac staff appreciates your continued support of our staff programs and fundraisers. Speaking of fundraisers the Classic Recipe cookie dough fundraiser will be available for pick on Thursday, April 8th from 2:00 pm until 3:00 pm.

Remember time “**Springs Forward**” on March 14<sup>th</sup>. School is closed for students on March 26<sup>th</sup> for students and Spring Break starts on March 29<sup>th</sup> and ends on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Students return on April 6<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy and have a safe break.

**Reminder: parents we are a mandatory uniform school.** Please make sure that your child is always in a clean presentable uniform. **Boys are to wear ties everyday and black shoes are a must for both boys and girls.** Also, the alternative uniform for the girls ends on April 6, 2010 at the return from Spring Break.

Please continue to read with your children, 30 minutes goes a long way.

Educationally yours,  
*Dr. Carr*



## Irish Heritage Month

### St. Patrick's Day



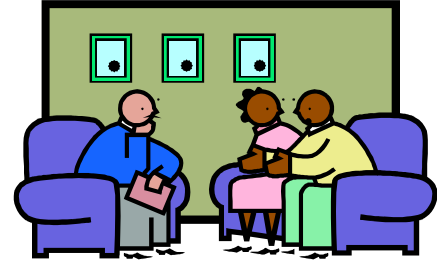
### Mark Your Calendar!

- March. 9, 10** Reading MSA
- March 16, 17** Math MSA
- March 12** Progress Reports Go Home
- March 29— April 5** No School (Spring Break)



Tayac Academy

# Counselor's Corner



## **SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS AND STUDENTS**

**MSA IS COMING**, I need every student to start preparing for this important test by trying very, very hard in the classroom.

### **TO DO LIST:**

- \* Get a good nights sleep, at least 8 hours
- \* Eat a good breakfast, cereal, oatmeal, cream of wheat, bacon and eggs, etc.
- \* Be on time, 8:10am
- \* Be prepared to learn, have homework completed, have questions for your teacher about any work that you are struggling with
- \* Follow direction when given
- \* Complete all of your assignments, on time, and accurately

**ALWAYS, I MEAN ALWAYS, PUT FORTH YOUR BEST EFFORT IN AND OUT OF THE CLASSROOM**

*Mr. Stephenson*

## FROM OUR READING SPECIALIST

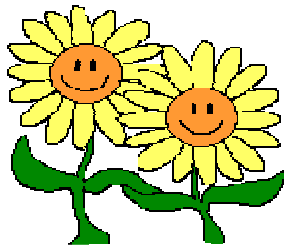
Encourage your child to read aloud to you an exciting passage in a book, an interesting tidbit in the newspaper, or a joke in a joke book. When children read aloud, don't feel they have to get every word right. Even good readers skip or mispronounce words now and then.

*Ms. Deese*

## FROM OUR MATH COORDINATOR

- \* Always read math problems completely before beginning any calculations. If you "glance" too quickly at a problem, you may misunderstand what really needs to be done to complete the problem.
- \* Whenever possible, draw a diagram. Even though you may be able to visualize the situation mentally, a hand drawn diagram will allow you to label the picture, to add auxiliary lines, and to view the situation from different perspectives.
- \* Know your calculator! If you must borrow a calculator from your teacher, be sure that you have used that "brand" of calculator on previous occasions. If you are not familiar with how a particular calculator works, your calculations may be incorrect.
- \* If you know that your answer to a question is incorrect, and you cannot find your mistake, start over on a clean piece of paper. Oftentimes when you try to correct a problem, you continually overlook the mistake. Starting over on a clean piece of paper will let you focus on the question, not on trying to find the error.

*Mrs. Perry*



## TAYAC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENT NEWS BULLETIN

*Upcoming Activities and Events*  
MARCH 2010

### Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS)

#### General Information

**Maryland School Assessment (MSA) Testing.** Testing for Reading is March 9 and 10. Testing for Math is March 16 and 17.

**Third Quarter Progress Reports.** Will be released Friday, March 12. The date was changed from March 4 to allow extra time due to the recent school closings.

**Internet Safety For Parents.** The PGCPS Division of Information Technology will host an internet safety presentation for parents and family members on March 10 (6:30 – 8:30 pm) at the Sasscer Administration Building, Board Room, 14201 School Lane, Upper Marlboro, MD. Parents will learn about the latest technology and safety tips to share with their children. For more information: (301) 952-6250.

### Community

#### General Information

**Census 2010.** The 2010 Census is "a short form" census that collects only basic information: age, sex, race (Hispanic or Latino origin) household relationship and whether your home is owned or rented. Census data affect funding and political representation for your community. It only takes a few minutes to answer and return. Responses are [strictly confidential and protected by law](#). **Census Day is April 1, 2010**

**MNCPPC Summer Camp.** Registration for summer camp started February 27. The brochure is available online at [www.pgparcs.com](http://www.pgparcs.com)

**Potholes.** The Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation performs pothole repairs on all county maintained roadways. To report a pothole on a County maintained road call 301.499.8520. Roads that are identified by a route number (example: MD routes 214, 450, 210, US 1) are the responsibility of the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA). To report a pothole to SHA call 301.952.0555.

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