

McDonald International

PTA News

What's Happening

Dec 8 Movie Night: 3rd-5th Grade (6:00pm, please RSVP)

Dec 10 After-School Enrichment registration opens *(7:00pm)*

Dec 11 PTA Board Meeting (6:00pm, virtual)

Dec 14 Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI) Team Meeting (6:30pm, in-person & virtual)

Dec 15 1-hour early dismissal (start of Winter Break)

Dec 18 - Jan 1 Winter Break: No School

Jan 2 Lobby day logistics and planning (6:00pm, virtual)

Jan 5 School Leader & Caregiver Coffee (8:00am, Library)

Jan 15 PTA Lobby Day, Olympia WA

Jan 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday: No School

Full online calendar

Join the PTA

Join the PTA Today!

Donate Now

Donate to the McDonald PTA fundraising campaign which funds our language immersion curriculum and other enrichment programs.

Visit the PTA Website

For more news and events, including an archive of the Mac's Notes, our Principal's Newsletters.

Shop for Scottie Gear Shop for Scottie gear anytime of the year!

Winter After-School Enrichment: Registration This Sunday

After-School Enrichment
registration will open this
Sunday, 12/10 at 7 p.m. Here is the
class schedule with class
descriptions updated for winter.



Prices are listed in <u>6crickets</u>, an online registration tool. Classes tend to fill up quickly. You should pre-register your student to be ready when registration opens. Navigate to <u>6crickets</u> and either Log In or Sign Up (top right of the screen).

- Winter enrichment registration will be open for one week (until Sunday, 12/17 at 7 pm).
- Winter classes begin on Monday, 1/8 and run until spring break (with no classes: 1/15 and 2/19 - 2/23 mid-winter break).

Thank you to all those who volunteered to help this program run smoothly. Questions? Contact the <u>ASE Coordinator</u>.

Movie Night: 3rd - 5th Grade

We are happy to announce our PTA Events Team will be hosting the first Movie Night of the school year for our 3rd through 5th graders (plus parents and siblings!) **Friday**, **December 8**, at the Scottie



cafeteria at McDonald. A family-friendly movie will be chosen from the list of movies our school has a license to use. We will have fresh popcorn, snacks, and drinks for purchase (earnings will go to our school fund!). Please use the link below to RSVP and volunteers to set-up/clean-up. We will schedule additional Movie Nights for K - 2nd grade throughout the year. PLEASE RSVP HERE. Thank you!

Please reach out if you are interested in helping or have any questions: events@mcdonaldpta.org

McDonald Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI) Social Justice Team Meeting

DEI Team Meeting:

Thursday, December 14 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in McDonald Lunchroom. The meeting will be HYBRID, so folks can join by Zoom if it's more convenient.



We'll provide food and child care!
All are welcome to bring a dish to share if they wish, but it's

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Our awesome DEI team gathers together monthly to discuss a wide variety of concerns, needs, issues, and advocacy. We focus on bringing an equity perspective to McDonald events and activities, and providing opportunities for community engagement. Participation is open to all and you are welcome to join any meeting. We hope you can join us!

Please reach out to <u>DEI@mcdonaldpta.org</u> with any questions, and to be added to our <u>Google group</u>. <u>https://mcdonaldpta.org/dei</u>

Kids Co. Care During Winter Break

Need childcare during Winter Break? Kids Co. sign-ups will be available until Sunday, December 10.



From Monday, 12/18 – Thursday, 12/21, Kids Co. will be open for care from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

- Families will need to pack a NUT-FREE lunch for their child.
- All centers will need a minimum enrollment of 5 kids per day to operate.
- All families will have until 12/10 to enroll or cancel

Care is available for both current and NEW families. For more information, see <u>this flyer</u>, visit the <u>Kids Co. website</u>, or email LaFawnda Williams at LafawndaW@kidscompany.org.

WE NEED YOU: In the Scottie PTA

- Do you want to help build a stronger Scottie community?
- Are you someone who hasn't felt connected to the community yet?
- Are you interested in learning why Dual Language Immersion Program is at risk without stronger advocacy?
- Do you want to remove barriers that are preventing folks from accessing Scottie community resources?



If you answer is yes or maybe, please email president@mcdonaldpta.org for more information. We currently have openings in

- Co-Treasurer see job description
- Volunteers in Treasurer Committee to support Co-Treasurers activities – see <u>Treasurer Job Description</u>.

PTA Lobby Day on MLK Holiday

Join us for our **second lobby day logistics and prep** will be held on **Zoom**, **January 2, 6 p.m**. for everyone who is attending lobby day to finalize our plans.



Lobby Day: Monday, January 15,
MLK Holiday, 10:00 a.m. State Capitol Building, Olympia,
Washington. Register here.

Everyone is welcome and there will be plenty of opportunities to be involved - or just observe. Students are encouraged to join! Let's talk about what is most important to your education values. Budget? equity? safety? language access?

Contact danicanoble@gmail.com with questions.

McDonald International Elementary Black Lives Matter Shirts Available!

The McDonald DEI Team has youth and adult sizes available of our BLM T-Shirts, designed by a current student. Shirts are sold at school events and online. \$10 suggested donation to the Community Partnership Fund, but any

pick up!



amounts are welcome. Shirts are available to everyone, with scholarships available. Reach out to dei@mcdonaldpta.org with questions or to coordinate a shirt

Sizes available: Youth XS, S, M, L, XL and Adult XS, S, M, L, XL, 2XL

- To donate to the **Community Partnership Fund**, follow this link to our Better World giving page.
- Keep an eye out for communication about the 2023-24 school year BLM design project, coming out in December from our amazing art teacher, Ms. Rule, and from our DEI Team. Your child's artwork could be on this year's shirt!

Thanks for supporting our school and our DEI Team efforts! https://mcdonaldpta.org/dei

McDonald Lost and Found

Unclaimed items will be donated after 12/8. Are you missing a jacket, water bottle, or something else? Here's what to do:

 Check the Lost and Found rack on the playground at drop-off or pick-up (additional items arrive everyday!).



- Label (First and Last name) your items. Our volunteer team regularly checks for labeled items to return to the kids' homeroom teachers.
- Look out for monthly communications (like this one!) for a last chance to claim your items before they are donated.

If you recognize any of these items, please reach out to mcdonaldlostandfound@gmail.com to claim them. Thanks!