

Principal's Message on 12/17

Good Evening Stallion Families,

As we enter the last week before winter break we are excited to announce that this week will be Spirit Week! Please see the list below to show your Snowden Farm Spirit!

Monday 12/18	Tuesday 12/19	Wednesday 12/20	Thursday 12/21	Friday 12/22
Winter Wonderland/We ar winter gear or all white/silver	Holiday Headwear/Wear festive headgear or a hat	Channel your Flannel/ Wear flannel/plaid	Festive Sweater/ Wear a festive sweater or sweatshirt	Pajama Day “Cozy Up to a Good Book”

Thank you to all the families that offered to donate desserts for staff tomorrow, Monday December 18th. We are still looking for a few donations and water for staff.

- Please drop them to the main office by 10:00 AM.
- If you would like to sign up, please click here,
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084DABAB2FA4F94-46772301-celebrating>

Just a reminder students need to be in their classes by 9:00 AM each day!

- There will be a warning bell that rings at 8:55 with the final bell at 9:00 AM.

New: 5th Grade Fundraiser

- Order Papa John's Pizza: December 20-21 (ENTER PROMO CODE: SNOWDENFARM)
- Plan to order from Papa John's from December 20-21. *20% of sales* from this fundraiser will go towards 5th grade end of year promotion and celebration activities. Be sure to let your cashier know that you are supporting Snowden Farm Elementary.
- On behalf of 5th grade, we thank you in advance for your support, as every Stallion that is a part of SFES will one day celebrate in this special milestone year.
- We look forward to celebrating our Stallions!
- [Click here](#) for our flier

New: Attendance

If your student(s) will be leaving early, out this coming week or out after break, please be sure to let their teacher and Mrs. Cardea (attendance secretary) know as soon as possible. If we know about an absence, we can mark the attendance so you don't get an attendance call or email. Have a safe and restful winter break Snowden families!

New: Bowie Baysox Read and Hit a Homerun Jersey Design Contest!



Our school is going to be participating in the Bowie Baysox Read and Hit a Homerun Reading Program, which will start after winter break. More information about how to track how much you are reading will come home in January.

The program will culminate with all students who complete the program earning TWO tickets to the Saturday, April 6, 2024 Bowie Baysox game!

We are gearing up for this program by holding a Jersey Design Contest from now until Wednesday, January 10! If a design created by a student from Snowden Farm is chosen, we will receive a donation to be used for literacy materials in our building! ***If you would like to participate, please complete the design template on the back of this form and turn it in to your teacher no later Tuesday, January 9.*** Your child's classroom teacher will put it in Mrs. Altuner's mailbox. All designs have to be scanned and submitted by January 10, so we request they are ALL turned in by January 9!! Email Mrs. Altuner, Snowden Farm's Reading Specialist, at Carolyn_R_Altuner@mcpsmd.org with any questions! Happy designing!

SFES Family Game Night Interest Form 🎮

Are you and your family interested in joining us for a Snowden Farm Family Game Night on January 25th from 6:00PM - 7:30PM?

- Join us for a night of games, laughter, and food!

- Please take a moment to fill out [THIS](#) form if you are interested so we can plan accordingly.

Updates from the PTSA: Staff Appreciation Lunch on 12/21

Staff Appreciation Lunch (12/21)

- We need your help! The SFES PTA will be hosting a teacher appreciation lunch on Thursday, 12/21 and will be supplying sandwiches/salad.
- We need additional items to be donated for the lunch spread (see below for SignUp Link).
 - If you sign up for an item(s), please make sure to drop it off at the front office no later than 9:00 AM on 12/21 so we have time to set it up for the first lunch session around 10:30 AM.
 - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D48A8A629A2F49-46767894-teacher#
 - Also, make sure to indicate that the item is for the PTA lunch on Thursday when dropping it off.
- If you are unable to purchase any of the items but still want to contribute monetarily, we are accepting donations through Zelle at treasurer@sfespta.org or through a personal check made out to SFES PTA. Checks can be dropped off at the front office to Ms. Sherrie Cardea.

SFES Spirit Wear Store

- Our Spirit Wear Store is back up just in time for the upcoming spirit week (12/18 through 12/22).
- You can visit our store at <https://sfpta.membershiptoolkit.com/> to make your purchase.

Please consider joining the SFES PTA

- Visit the [PTA Webpage](#) for more information and link on how to sign up.
- We are also in need of a chairperson to lead the Spirit Wear and PTA Newsletter committees. Please email vp2@sfespta.org if you are interested in volunteering to lead one of these committees.

Upcoming Important Dates

- Saturday, December 22- January 2- Winter Break

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to reach out to the school, 240-740-5800.

With Gratitude,
Michelle Fortune