



# Owings Mills Elementary School

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

**Tuesday December 13**

Grade 5 Winter Concert

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**Friday December 23 – Jan 2**

*Winter Break*

**Tuesday January 3**

*Schools Reopen*

**Friday January 13**

2nd Marking Period Ends

*12:30 Dismissal for Students*

**Monday January 16**

Celebration of MLK Jr.'s Birthday

*Schools Closed*

**Tuesday January 17**

*PD Schools Closed for Students*



## PARENT CONFERENCES



Thanks to all of our parents and teachers who participated in 1st quarter conferences. When parents and teachers work together as a team, children are successful! The conference provides parents with

the opportunity to ask specific questions about grade level expectations the new grading system and classroom policies. Tests, classwork, and report cards also provide valuable information and are excellent ways to monitor progress. Similarly, the parent-teacher conference is the most effective way to discuss and meet each student's educational needs. Teachers can provide work samples and discuss in detail the student's strengths and needs. Thanks for your support. We truly value your suggestions and input!

## HEARING AND VISION SCREENINGS

The Baltimore County Health Department will be coming to Owings Mills Elementary School to do hearing and vision screening on select children this month beginning December 12, 2016. Students in PK, 1<sup>st</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> grades as well as any student new to Maryland Public Schools in Kindergarten, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades will be tested. Students identified by teachers as a concern with



suspected hearing and/or vision problems will be screened. If you ***do not*** want your child to be screened at this time, please contact the school nurse at 410-887-1710.



## NEW DEVICES FOR OMES!

OMES received the remaining devices for our Kindergarten, 1st and 5th grade students as a component of Blueprint 2.0. Team BCPS is a system that believes in creating a culture of deliberate excellence for all to ensure that students are college and career ready. Grade K students share classroom PODs while students in grades 1 thru 5 have a personal device to use for learning! We are excited to have personal computers as an integral part of the learning

## FAMILY ACTIVITIES

### Waterfront Ice Rink Downtown Baltimore

Now is your chance to experience the thrill of ice skating in Baltimore. The rink will be open daily, with special programming and events happening throughout the season. Admission is \$9 for adults and \$7 for seniors (55 and older), children (under 10), and members of the military. Skate rental is \$4—



or bring your own pair of skates.

[www.innerharboricerink.org](http://www.innerharboricerink.org)



### The Holly Jolly Trolley

Hop aboard the Holiday Trolley at Pier 5 and see all the beautiful lights *on Hampden's famous 34th St.*

*Pier 5 Hotel, 711 Eastern Avenue*

*December 4– January 3*

*Friday, Saturday & Sunday – 6:00-8:00 p.m.*

<http://bit.ly/BMoreTrolley>

### Baltimore & Ohio Museum

Trains are magical during the holidays! Children can experience the trains at the B&O's Magical Holiday Express devoted to trains of all sizes and shapes and a winter wonderland of family and fun!

*December 1 - January 3*

*Monday - Saturday 10am to 4pm*

*Closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and  
New Years Day*

### Train Garden at the Shops at Kenilworth

*Come visit the FREE huge train garden packed with model trains, animations and interactive buttons.*

*November 30 - January 6*

*Monday - Saturday 10–9 Sun 11 - 7*

*Closed Christmas and New Years Day*

## BOX TOPS for YEARBOOK

The OMES Yearbook team will be collecting “Box Tops” to help off-set the cost of producing the **yearbook**. “Box Tops for Education” is a national program that gives money directly to schools. For each “box top” that is sent in, the school will receive **\$.10 cents**. This money will be used to help supplement the cost of every yearbook purchased by our students. You may visit [www.BoxTops4Education.com](http://www.BoxTops4Education.com) for more information. Please clip each box top around the dotted lines and send them to your child's teacher in baggies or envelopes.



## LOVE ADS for YEARBOOK 2017

Love Ads are coming your way! Do you want to show your student some love? For just \$5, you can buy a LOVE AD *for the yearbook!* A Love AD is a special note written from you to your favorite OMES student to be published in our yearbook. Submit a personal message to your student to be included in the 2016-2017 OMES yearbook. Please complete the attached form and submit it to your child's home-room teacher with your \$5 payment (cash or check only made payable to Owings Mills Elementary School Yearbook) by **Friday, February 3, 2017**.

## DOLLAR DAYS

The Maryland Science Center is once again participating in Dollar Days on December 5 and 6. Admission is just \$1.00 to see exhibit halls, a planetarium show, demo stage, and the Observatory. IMAX is not included. Please visit the link below for more information about this event and other happenings at the Maryland Science Center. Other vendors also participating in dollar days include the **National Aquarium, Historic Ships**.

## LIBRARY NEWS

If you love books and would like to spend an hour a day in the OMES library, please contact Mrs. Fletcher at [lfletcher@bcps.org](mailto:lfletcher@bcps.org). We would love to have volunteers shelve books that are returned by students. Thank you again for your support!

# Show your student some love... Purchase a Love Ad today!

OMES will have a school yearbook and we want you to be a part of it!

Submit a personal message to your student to be included in our 2016-2017 yearbook. Your message can be up to 100 characters.

**Example of a Love Ad:**

*Sally Smith – You are a hard worker. We are so proud of you! All our love, Mom and Dad*



Please write your message below. Each blank is a character, so make sure to leave a blank for each space and punctuation mark.

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Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE FOR LOVE AD SUBMISSIONS:  
Friday, February 3, 2016**

This love ad was submitted by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name Phone Number Email

I have attached (circle one): cash a check # \_\_\_\_\_