



## Monday Mailer #27 – March 16, 2015

### PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES

are THIS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18<sup>th</sup>!

*Have you worked with your child[ren]’s teacher to set up a time to meet? Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to peek into the classroom and see where your child has progressed, and where they need support. Creative City teachers are pro-family, and they love to partner with parents to solve problems and promote success!*

### Creative City is Hiring our Principal, to start in Fall 2015!

As you know, we have been blessed by a brilliant Interim Principal (Dr. Craig Spilman) since last fall, as we searched for our new Principal. After several months of work, the Creative City Hiring Committee, chaired by founder Elana Ehrlich and made up of teachers and parents, has narrowed the search down to three amazingly talented candidates. Each will spend a day at Creative City during the next month, observing classes, being interviewed by teachers in an informal setting, and interacting with students. Please see the attached calendar for three dates (3/25, 4/1, and 4/15) on which Creative City families will have an opportunity to speak to the candidates from 9-10am over coffee in Room 101. Following these events, all feedback will be pulled together, a third interview will be held with the committee on 4/18, and our real Executive Director, Ms Canino, will make the final decision and hopefully, an offer. With any questions, or to RSVP, please contact me at 443-642-3602 or [MCanino@bcps.k12.md.us](mailto:MCanino@bcps.k12.md.us). I am also happy to report that Ms. Canino and the Board of Directors have persuaded Dr. Spilman to remain with Creative City as an Academic Director for the 2015-16 school year, to ensure a smooth transition.

*Please join us!*

Caroline Harmon-Darrow

Substitute Executive Director (spring 2015)

### ***A very full SPRING CALENDAR is attached for your fridge, including:***

**Thursday, March 19, 9:00am** – Open House for prospective school families

**Saturday, March 21, 8:30am** – Third Saturday School Grounds Clean-up

**Saturday, March 28, 1:00 – 3:00pm** – All-student art show at The Walters Art Museum!

## Creative City is Still Accepting Applications

Our student lottery has passed, but interested families who missed the deadline (which was very early this year) still have the opportunity to submit student applications and be placed on our waiting list. Applications are still being accepted for grades K through 4<sup>th</sup> next year, and are placed on our waiting list in the order in which they are received. The earlier someone applies, the better their position on our waiting list will be.

Do you have family, friends or neighbors who are looking into school options for next year? Applications are available on our web site or at our front office. Spread the word! We have an Open House for prospective families on **Thursday 3/19 at 9:00am** and anyone is welcome to join us to learn more.



Creative City has begun to use Class Messenger as a way to distribute information and share news quickly and easily with school families. Class messenger is web-based and is also an app for smart phones; families can choose to receive information via email, text message, push notification, or by accessing it on the web. It can be used on your mobile device, or your computer, or both! Sign-up for FREE at [www.ClassMessenger.com](http://www.ClassMessenger.com) OR download the free app.

Creative City's Class Code is **H N Q 4 5 T**

## WE WANT YOUR GENTLY USED BOOKS!

Every Spring, we collect gently used books that we can give out at school events to help school families build their home libraries in time for summer. Bring your books to us, put them in the big green box (beautifully prepared by Shannon Brown and Abby) and we will find them a great new home!

## WEATHER, RECESS, AND CLOTHING

We hope we are finally done with snow for the year! Now we are finally getting into warmer weather that will be great for playing outside. Remember that we will have recess every day unless weather is extreme. Springtime is often damp and muddy. Children should come to school dressed in clothes and shoes that will be ok to get a little wet or muddy from time to time. Shoes should be suitable for climbing and exploring outside. Please also consider keeping a change of clothes (especially pants) on hand for your child at school.