

## MRMS Morning Show

Ms. McDowell [amcdowell@aacps.org](mailto:amcdowell@aacps.org)

Media Center Tuesday



The Video Broadcasting Crew prepares and delivers the MRMS Morning Show each day. The crew consists of four members – two members behind the camera and two in front. Generally each crew will produce the show for a four-week period, then a new crew will begin. Training will be provided to each crew the Tuesday before they are to begin producing the MRMS Morning Show. Not only is it fun, but it's also a wonderful way to share your talents with the school community!

## Rainbow Student Alliance (RSA)

Ms. Allwang ([aallwang@aacps.org](mailto:aallwang@aacps.org)) meeting 2nd and 3rd Thursday of the month after school.

This club is open to any student who wants to be a part of a group that promotes acceptance and support for all. Activities include projects in and outside school, being a part of a team for a fundraiser / walk, guest speakers, field trips and much more. Come be a part of a family that truly shines like a rainbow.



**Parents and Students: If you would like more information about a club, please contact the Club Sponsor directly.**



# Magothy River Middle School Clubs and Activities

## 2019-2020



Clubs and activities are fun and educational. They are an excellent way to make friends, continue a current interest or explore a new one, gain experience for a future career, and enrich your skills in specific areas. All students at Magothy River Middle School have the opportunity to participate in our clubs or activities.

This booklet is an overview of Magothy River Middle School's extracurricular activities and clubs. Most of the activities and clubs meet on either **Tuesday or Thursday after school from 4:05- 4:50**. Some activities meet in the morning before school, which requires your own transportation. Morning Announcements include information about the clubs and activities that will be meeting each week. Students should pay careful attention to all announcements.

Activity buses are available for students on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Students who plan to ride an activity bus will need an **activity bus pass** distributed by the Teacher. Please check the activity bus schedule with your activity sponsor. *The activity bus route is different from daily routes!*

If you have questions concerning a specific club or activity please contact the sponsor.

# Beginning September 24th



# Performance Opportunities

**Instrumental Ensembles**— Rob Stojakovich [rstojakovich@aacps.org](mailto:rstojakovich@aacps.org)  
 Magothy River Middle School offers several different opportunities to extend musical learning in an ensemble environment: **Concert Band**, **Concert Orchestra**, **Stage Band** and **Percussion Ensemble**. Performances include: a winter and spring concert; a "Spooky Strings Night" with Severn River Middle, Broadneck High, and the Elementary feeder schools; a goodwill tour of the elementary schools and Senior Living Centers; County Festival and a spring competition. **Rehearsals are in the morning 8:00—9:15 am.**

- In order to participate in these ensembles students:
- Must be enrolled in one of the instrumental classes (for Stage band you must play one of these instruments: *saxophone, trumpet, trombone, guitar, piano, string bass, or electric guitar, and percussion and drum set* and you must audition)
  - Must attend all rehearsals. **Attendance is mandatory.** If you miss a rehearsal for any reason, a note from the parents should be brought to Mr. Stojakovich on the next rehearsal. (see music rehearsals below)

## Dance Company

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Band Chamber	Strings Barb-Tones	Band Percussion Singsations	Strings Chamber	Band



Melissa Saint Amour—[msaintamour@aacps.org](mailto:msaintamour@aacps.org)  
 The Dance Company is an ensemble of advanced, passionate dancers who represent the school by performing new dance pieces throughout the year. The Dance Company performs at the county dance festival, as guests in Broadneck High School's Dance Concert, and as a featured group in our school's Spring Dance Concert. Participation is through audition. The Company rehearses on Wednesdays and some Mondays throughout the year from 8:15—9:15AM

# Play/Create!

## Intramural Sports

(Mr. Gourley, Mr. Moore, Ms. J. Murphy  
 Questions can be directed to Ms. Murphy at [jmurphy@aacps.org](mailto:jmurphy@aacps.org).



**Tuesdays/Thursdays - 4:05 - 4:50PM**  
 Intramural sports program offers all students the opportunity to play a limited number of sports in a non-competitive and relaxing atmosphere. Students should be dressed in comfortable clothing.

**Flag Football, Basketball, Soccer, and Outdoor Games** will be offered. Students should listen for announcements about days.  
**Unified Sports** is designed for all students, and features **Bocce/Bowling**. Please contact Mr. Gourley for information. ([jgourley@aacps.org](mailto:jgourley@aacps.org))

## Sew Sweet and Delicious Club

Ms. Bays, [jimbays@aacps.org](mailto:jimbays@aacps.org) Tuesday Room 223  
 Take charge of your life skills and learn to express yourself through cooking and sewing. Cooking in the fall—yummy, hearty, kid friendly meals that you can prepare for your friends or family. Stay connected with the group and learn basic sewing techniques in the Spring. You decide the projects! (



**Strategy Club** Mr. Bigsby [jbigsby@aacps.org](mailto:jbigsby@aacps.org). Rm 203 Tuesday pm.

Learn to stretch your strategic thinking and planning skills. Want to be a World Champion Chess Player? Or just learn for fun—this is the place. If Chess is not your thing there are other opportunities for engaging with your friends and honing your skills playing board and card games. Suggestions welcome!

# Leadership

## National Junior Honor Society

(Ms. Glennon) gglennon@aacps.org and Ms. McCallister cmcallister@aacps.org Room 220, first and third Thursday National Junior Honor Society is the leader among middle school organizations that recognize student achievement in the combined areas of scholarship, leadership, citizenship, service, and character. New 7th and 8th graders who have a 3.75 or better cumulative GPA are invited to complete an application after 2<sup>nd</sup> marking period. The Marlin Chapter follows the national standards which require a Faculty Council screening of all membership applications with a focus on student leadership, school/community activities, community/civic involvement, and character. Membership is competitive and the decisions of the Faculty Council are final. A formal induction ceremony is held in late January.

## Student Government Association—Sponsor to be announced.

The SGA represents the students of Magotho River Middle School to the faculty, administration and community. This organization is run by the students. The officers are elected by the students. The president and vice president will be from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The secretary and treasurer are from any grade. There will also be an elected delegate from the 7<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Each homeroom will elect one representative to attend the General Assembly (officers, delegates, chairpersons, and homeroom representatives) which meets once a month. The General Assembly will plan activities for the school and discuss issues and concerns that are of importance to the students.

## Restorative Communities Club

Ms. Biggus cbiggus@aacps.org Tuesday 4:15—4:55  
The Restorative Communities Club helps to organize and work in the Marlin Market and participates in other community service activities. Club members may also provide support to our PBIS program by helping to plan school-wide activities. **By invitation only.**



## Performance

**Chorus**—Ms. Allwang 128 aallwang@aacps.org)  
see *chart on previous page for meeting days*

The MRMS Chorus is an organization for students participating in the Choral Music classes. The different grades perform a wide variety of musical styles ranging from classical to modern. All students in Choral music classes are able to apply for placement in one of the Honors Choruses. The Singations is an ensemble that consists of soprano, mezzo and alto vocal parts – open to all grades. The Bari-Tones is an ensemble that consists of tenor, baritone and bass vocal parts – open to all grades. The Honors Choruses perform at the Choral concerts in the winter and spring, along with performances at the county-wide festival, elementary schools, and various other opportunities.

**Theatrical Productions**— Ms. Allwang room 128  
aallwang@aacps.org)



The MRMS Theatrical Production is an organization for students who love the theatre, music, dancing & the joy of entertainment. An informational meeting will occur on September 26, and auditions will follow in October for the cast. Crew members will have a different informational meeting. Students must audition, complete an acting contract, and attend all scheduled rehearsals and productions in order to maintain membership in the company. Students will hone their acting, singing, and dancing skills as they work together to produce a fabulous musical in the spring. For those students who prefer to be behind the scene, consider applying to stage crew to work with lights, sound, props, costumes, and managing. In the past the members have produced junior versions of shows such as Mulan, James and the Giant Peach, Shrek, Aladdin, Seussical, Beauty and the Beast, Annie and Once on this Island.

# Communicating

**Math Club** (Ms. Phillips) [smphillips@aacps.org](mailto:smphillips@aacps.org) room 101 Tuesday  
All students who love Math are welcome to attend. Students will compete in various math events, including the Maryland Mathalon, MathCounts, and the 24 Game tournament at the county level. The 24 Game requires students to think quickly to solve mathematical puzzles that add up to the number 24. Club members achieve mastery in seeing how many different kinds of operations will yield the answer 24. This is a club for students who have nimble minds and enjoy a challenge. All grade levels and experience levels are welcome!



**Newspaper Club** (Mrs. Mastrodomenico)  
[kmastrodomenico@aacps.org](mailto:kmastrodomenico@aacps.org) (Tuesdays room 119)

Newspapers play a vital role in our society. News spreads fast and it is important that journalism maintains the role of unbiased analysis of events. Communicating to the public is a valuable service. Feel like taking the challenge? What do Magothy Marlins want to know? You can be the heartbeat of Magothy.

## Yearbook Club

(Ms. H. Murphy) [123hmurphy@aacps.org](mailto:123hmurphy@aacps.org)  
**Tuesday Mornings- 8:15—9:15 am**  
In Yearbook Club students will participate in the planning, creation, sales and distribution of the school yearbook. There is limited space in this club. Only 8 students from each grade level will be accepted. Interested students should see Ms. H. Murphy.

# Community



**Green Club** Ms. Knoll ([sknoll@aacps.org](mailto:sknoll@aacps.org)) and Mr. Fletcher ([sfletcher@aacps.org](mailto:sfletcher@aacps.org)) Thursday Rm 211  
We are so proud that Magothy River Middle School is a "Maryland Green School!" Green Club is for students who want to help keep Magothy River Middle a "Green School." The students who attend this club have opportunities to maintain our school's green initiatives or start new ones. Green Club members can choose to participate in a variety of activities such as:

- planting and maintaining the habitat restoration areas and school grounds (gardens)
  - encouraging environmental awareness activities in school
- We also have room for creative students who would like to write morning announcements, make posters and help plan events!

**STEM Club** (Ms. Wilcox) [swilcox@aacps.org](mailto:swilcox@aacps.org)  
Room 109 Tuesday



This club uses the design process of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math to explore problems and seek solutions to complete a challenge.

## Writer's and Poet's Workshop

Mrs. McGrath ([nmcgrath@aacps.org](mailto:nmcgrath@aacps.org)) Tuesday PM Room 104  
Calling all writers! Whether you write short stories, poetry, blogs, music lyrics, fiction, non-fiction articles, memoirs, opinion pieces, graphic novels, comics, or something else—join in this supportive student network to share your creativity. We'll work together to give and get meaningful feedback and further develop our writing skills.



**If your child is enrolled in the instrumental or choral music program and they would like to be part of something spectacular the Morning Rehearsals are mandatory. Please contact me if transportation before school is an issue.**

**First club meeting for the Eco Team! The Eco Team (aka the Green Club) meets everything Thursday after school in room 211 with Ms. Knoll and Mr. Fletcher.**



# Thank You

A special thank you to all of the wonderful people who helped or supported with "Music Matters:"

Mrs. Cathy Blair  
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Mrs. Cathy Wasiuta  
Oliva West  
Mrs. Katherine Wheeley and family  
Dr. Nuria Williams  
WNAV  
Bay Weekly Calendar  
Anonymous donor  
Others that talked about my project

Music Matters project was a huge success which resulted in 8 instruments being donated to the Magothy River Music Program with an estimated value over \$6,500. Thanks to your support more students will have access to music. I am very grateful for all your help and support and appreciate the benefit that you saw in this project.

**Sarah Moore**  
Silver Award candidate



## **NEWS FROM THE HEALTH ROOM - OCTOBER 2019**

Happy Fall season! Please remind your child about the importance of dressing for the changing weather. Dressing in layers will also help to adjust to varying temperatures within the school building.

For any student using a cast, brace or crutches, please send a physician's note regarding activity restrictions for PE and/or use of the elevator. This information is necessary in order to plan for safe mobility throughout the school day and to make emergency exit plans.

**Medications:** If your child will need medication available during the school day, please sign the attached school medication form and have your physician complete the medication order. All medications, including over-the-counter medications, require a school medication form, completed by both the parent and the physician. All medication must be brought to the Health Room **by an adult**. Do not send any medication to school with your child! A physician's order and Health Room approval is required before a student may self-carry emergency medication in school.

**\*\* Parents of NEW students to MRMS:** Please have your health care provider complete the green Record of Physical Examination form that was given to you at the time of registration. Please return the completed form to the Health Room as soon as possible.

**Vision and Hearing Screening** will be held at MRMS on Friday, 2/21/2020, for all 8th grade students, as well as any student new to Anne Arundel County Public Schools. If you have any concerns regarding your child's vision or hearing, please contact our Health Room directly at 410-431-8873.

**Parents of 6th grade students,** please plan ahead now to obtain your child's required Tdap booster (tetanus/pertussis) and meningitis (MCV4) immunizations. Proof of these vaccinations must be submitted in order for your child to enter 7th grade next year. Please send an updated immunization record to the Health Room once these vaccinations are obtained.

Thank you!

Jane Lefavor, RN and Kim Biggs, Health Assistant



## Health Room News & Information

### **Magothy River Middle School Health Room**

Jane Lefavor, RN School Nurse  
Kim Biggs, CNA Health Assistant  
410-431-8873 (Health Room)  
410-544-0926 (Main Office)

## **Important Information for 6th Grade Parents**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As you may know, there is a new state requirement regarding the documentation of two additional immunizations for all students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade each year. Before your student can enter 7<sup>th</sup> grade in September, you must provide written proof that he/she has received a **Tdap** (tetanus/pertussis booster) and a **Meningococcal** (MCV4) vaccine.

- These immunizations are not "new", but the documentation requirement for school entry is new.
- These immunizations are typically given at the 11 year old well-child evaluation. If your child has already had an 11 year old well-child appointment, these immunizations may have already been given.
- If your child has not had a well check-up, contact your health care provider as soon as possible to set up an appointment for these immunizations

**Please contact your pediatrician to request a copy of your child's immunization record.**

Copies can be sent to MRMS:

By Fax: 410-544-1867 (please call to verify receipt)

By Email: nurse2243@aacps.org

By Mail: MRMS

Attn Health Room  
241 Peninsula Farm Road  
Arnold, MD 21012

In Person: to the MRMS Health Room or Main Office

**Students will be excluded from school entry in September if the school has not received required documentation of these immunizations.**

Please contact the MRMS Health Room with any questions.

*Jane Lefavor, RN School Nurse*  
410-431-8873 (Health Room)  
410-544-0926 (Main Office)



ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY  
SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM

PARENT'S REQUEST TO ADMINISTER MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

FOR COMPLETION BY PARENT/GUARDIAN

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
(LAST) (FIRST) (MI)

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School Year: \_\_\_\_\_

***In order for my child to receive medication in school, I agree to the following:***

- All prescription and non-prescription medication will have a physician's signed order **fully** completed for each school year.
- The prescription medication will be in a container labeled by the pharmacist or physician with:
  - *Name of child.*                      *Name of the medication.*                      *Dosage, route and time of administration.*
  - *Name of physician.*                      *Prescription date and expiration date.*                      *Conditions for proper storage.*
- The non-prescription medication will be in the original sealed container with the label intact. Student's name will be put on the container in a position that does not obscure the label.
- The medication will be brought to school by an adult.
- The physician will be called if a question arises about my child's medication.
- The first dose of this medication (except for epinephrine auto-injector) has been given without problems.

***Having read the above conditions, I request Anne Arundel County School Health Services personnel administer the medication as prescribed by the physician below. I certify that I have legal authority to consent to medical treatment for the student named above, including the administration of medication at school.***

 **Signature of Parent/Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICIAN'S SIGNED ORDER FOR MEDICATION AT SCHOOL  
ONE MEDICATION PER FORM

Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Medication: \_\_\_\_\_

Dosage: \_\_\_\_\_ (mg, ml, ml/tsp, # of puffs)

Route: \_\_\_\_\_ Time of Administration at School: \_\_\_\_\_  Lunchtime

If PRN, for what symptoms? \_\_\_\_\_ How Often? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any specific precautions personnel should be aware of or any unusual effects that might be observed.  
\_\_\_\_\_

Student medication allergies:  None Known \_\_\_\_\_

Services from  the beginning to the end of school year **OR**


Services should begin (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ and terminate (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR INHALER, EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTOR, AND INSULIN ONLY:**

\_\_\_\_\_ It has been determined that this student is able to self-administer and carry inhalant medication or epinephrine auto-injector and has been trained in its use, including knowing when the medication is to be used.

\_\_\_\_\_ It has been determined that this student is able to self-administer insulin.

\_\_\_\_\_ This student should not self-administer inhalant medication, insulin, or epinephrine auto-injector.

 **Physician's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Original signature/NO stamps

Physician's Name (Printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Order and MAR Reviewed \_\_\_\_\_ R.N. Date \_\_\_\_\_



## Healthy Habits = Healthy Children

Healthy habits that decrease the spread of germs and help keep children and families well:

- 1. Handwashing** is one of the best ways to keep from getting sick
  - Wet hands with running water.
  - Add soap & rub hands together for 20 seconds.
  - Rinse.
  - Dry hands with clean paper towel.
  - If soap & water aren't available, use an alcohol based hand sanitizer.
- 2. Cover that sneeze and cough** - Coughing and sneezing spread germs. Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue or the inside of your elbow to prevent spreading germs to your hands.
- 3. Get Moving** - Exercise helps the body fight off simple illnesses. Include active play in your child's schedule.
- 4. Sleep** - Getting the right amount of sleep will help fight off colds and infections.
- 5. Healthy Eating** - Good nutrition is vital for good health. Provide a variety of foods, including plenty of vegetables, fruits and whole grains at meal and snack times.
- 6. Keep your Child Home when Sick** - Children should stay home until they feel better



### When Do I Keep My Child Home From School?

(Although no comprehensive list is possible, the following conditions may be appropriate reasons to keep a student home from school.)

- |   |                                |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Temperature 100° or greater   | Suspected fracture             |
| Vomiting, diarrhea  | Severe pain                    |
| Shortness of breath, wheezing   | Undiagnosed rash               |
| Abdominal pain  | Productive cough and fever     |
| Red, draining eyes  | Suspected communicable disease |
| Chest pain  | Head injury                    |
| Earache   | Adverse medication effect      |
| Nuisance condition not currently treated e.g., ringworm, scabies, head lice |                                |

**Anne Arundel County Department of Health  
School Health Services**



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