

## *FYI: For your information*



**5.23.19**

### *Upcoming Dates*

**5.23** - Instrumental Concert, 7 pm

**5.24** - Field Day, 9:30 & Half Day - 12:25 PM Dismissal, no PM K

**6.5** - [Spring Fair](#) - 4:30-7pm

### [More Dates](#)

***Deadline for Spring Fair Pre-order Wristbands is tomorrow!***

Three reasons why you should pre-order your wristbands:

- 1) Get straight to the fun and avoid the long check-in lines at the Spring Fair;
- 2) Receive bonus raffle tickets and pre-order raffles for the amazing class baskets;
- 3) You can fill out your raffle tickets ahead of time, instead of wasting time at the Fair. Less work, more fun!

Also - the Spring Fair can't run without the many wonderful Merion parent

volunteers. Please consider signing up for a shift!

[Order Form](#)  
[Volunteer Sign-Up](#)

### *Calling all Bakers*

Help make the SWEETEST part of Spring Fair a success! Every year, we run out of sweets, so we are going to try our best to have a huge stock this year! Please bring your individually wrapped (NUT FREE) donations to the office, during the day, on Wednesday, June 5! Thank you!

[Sweet Sign-Up](#)

### *Flowers and Water Ice for your Musicians Tonight!*

All are welcome at the 4th Grade Band/Orchestra Concert tonight at 7 pm.

The 5th Grade Committee for the Class of 2020 will be having their first fundraiser to support the incoming 5th graders for next year. We'll be selling flowers before and water ice after the concert (on the black top/basketball courts).

Please support your incoming 5th grader and sign up to help out at an event for next year.

Thank you!

### *Girls on the Run: Volunteers Needed to Continue Program in 2020*

Do you love to inspire young girls to reach their full potential? Then we need you!

Girls on the Run ([gotrpa.org](http://gotrpa.org)) is a 10-week afterschool program held two days a week at Merion Elementary in the spring (February through May) that helps girls in 3rd through 5th grades build self-confidence and life skills through running activities and a research-based curriculum. The season culminates in a community 5K fun run. This program has been running for five years at Merion, and we'd love to see it continue!

If you are interested in leading this program (you don't need to be a runner!), please contact Ashlee Goodman at

ash@bengoodmancreative.com for more details on the role.

## *Check out Merion Muse Online!*

The advisors of Merion Muse wish to congratulate our staff of 60 4th and 5th graders for another successful year, which resulted in two publications including Merion's first ever student magazine. We also recently published additional comics online that we couldn't fit into the printed publications, so we encourage everyone to check it out and take another look at our past issues.

## *Visit Merion Muse Online*

## *Snooze News ... you can't lose when you snooze!*

We've been asked a few times recently exactly \*why\* schools are looking at changing their start times to benefit kids. The slide below addresses some of the things our kids experience with sleep deprivation, but in case you're wondering, here are a few others: risk taking behavior; anxiety and depression, increased sports injuries; dangerous drowsy driving. Comments, thoughts or questions? Please address an email to Superintendent Copeland and School Board to [communitycomments@lmsd.org](mailto:communitycomments@lmsd.org) and please copy [sleepLMSD@gmail.com](mailto:sleepLMSD@gmail.com), as the ISC sleep committee wants to understand how a shift in start times would affect your family.

## *Sleep & Start Times* *Learn More*

## *LMSD Summer Camps*

Did you know that LMSD has a summer education program for students in K-5 who may have experienced difficulty in reading, writing or math? The SPIES program (Succeed, Progress, Improve and Enjoy YourSummer) will take place Mondays-Fridays from June 25-August 1 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at Bala Cynwyd Middle School (510 Bryn Mawr Ave., Bala Cynwyd.)

And, new this year, Right At School will be offering a summer camp at Cynwyd Elementary School (101 W. Levering Mill Road, Bala Cynwyd) from June 25-August 16. The camp is full-day, with early and late care options,

and there is also a half-day option for students attending SPIES, so they can spend the whole day learning and having fun! RAS staff will escort participating students between the programs.

As an added bonus, all students attending SPIES and/or RAS Summer Camp will be able to receive FREE LUNCHES, provided by Philabundance.

\*There will be no school or camp on Thursday, July 4th

[\*Learn More about SPIES\*](#)

[\*Learn More about RAS\*](#)

## *2019 Alex's "Original" Lemonade Stand*

**When** - Saturday, June 1, 10 am-3pm

**Where** - Penn Wynne Elementary School, 250 Haverford Road

Come to the stand that started it all! Join Alex's family, friends and community as we honor the tradition of her annual lemonade stand. Alex's "Original" Lemonade Stand is an uplifting, fun-filled, family-friendly day complete with food, games, crafts, face-painting, music, raffles and (of course) lemonade at the school Alex attended. Everyone also gathers for a beautiful butterfly release to commemorate and celebrate the lives of all children affected by cancer.

Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation (ALSF) is a national fundraising movement that began from the front yard lemonade stand of Alexandra "Alex" Scott (1996-2004) who was fighting cancer and wanted to raise money to fund cures. The Foundation has now raised more than \$150 million, funding nearly 1,000 research projects.

Alex's All Access Passes are available for \$25 which includes a limited edition Alex's "Original" t-shirt and covers donations for all activities, food and lemonade.

Are you a family of four or more? Family Packages are a great deal and start at just \$100 which includes t-shirts, raffle tickets, merchandise and more. Visit [AlexsLemonade.org/AlexsOriginal](http://AlexsLemonade.org/AlexsOriginal) for details on additional ways to get involved or email Danni D'Angio at [D.Dangio@AlexsLemonade.org](mailto:D.Dangio@AlexsLemonade.org).

[\*Learn More\*](#)

*More News*

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[LM Memorial Day Observance - May 27](#)

***Recreational Opportunities***

[Lower Merion Pool Registration](#)

[LM Spring Basketball Clinics](#)

[EFLM "Run for Our Schools" Fun Run - June 2](#)

[Harriton Rams Football Camp - June 24-28](#)

[Right at School Summer Camp](#)

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