



Kathryn Maxa  
Principal



ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS COUGAR PLEDGE

“As a good Cougar I will respect myself, respect others, respect learning and respect property. I believe that when I work hard I will succeed, so I will work hard each day to do my best.”

### Mark Your Calendar

**September 27-October 11, 2019**

Yankee Candle Fundraiser

**October 1-31, 2019**

Kids Helping Kids

Food collection

All month

**October 4, 2019**

Football Friday

**October 7, 2019**

Interims go Home

**October 8, 2019**

2-hour early dismissal for students

Chick Fil A Night 4-8:00pm

**October 9, 2019**

Yom Kippur- School Closed

**October 11, 2019**

Can and Fan Friday

**October 18, 2019**

Dollar Day for the food drive

**October 14 - 18, 2019**

Book Fair

**October 15 - 16, 2019**

School Closed

Parent Teacher Conferences

**October 17, 2019**

Book Fair Family Night 5-7 pm

**October 22, 2019**

Chipotle Night—4-8 pm

**October 23, 2019**

Unity Day - Wear Orange

School Family BBQ

5:30-7:00 pm

**October 24, 2019**

PTA meeting @ Ferndale, 6:30pm

**October 31, 2019**

Costume Parade - 10:00 am

### From the Principal

Families will have a lot of opportunities to connect his month.

### Parent Conferences

We are able to schedule every parent for a conference this year. You should receive your conference notice soon. Please confirm your conference time or contact the school to reschedule as soon as possible. We would love to have 100% participation!

### Unity Day 2019

To celebrate Unity Day, George Cromwell is holding a

CommUNITY BBQ

October 23, 2019

5:30-7:00 pm

Join in with friends, neighbors and school staff for hot dogs and dinner

More information to come!

### Safety Alert

Please pick up and drop off students in the car loop only. If you want to walk your child up to the door or meet them at the door, park in the parking lot and use the crosswalk with your child. Do not drop off in the parking lot or ask your child to cut between cars to get to your car. The safety of your children is more important than getting out quickly.

## From the PTA

Thank you for participating in our Family Restaurant Nights. Please join us at Chick fil-A on October 8, 2019 from 5:00-8:00 PM for our next family restaurant night.

The PTA sponsored Book Fair is October 14 through October 18, 2019. The Book Fair makes quality books available to students and stimulates an interest in reading. It is also a great way to raise funds for the school.

We will have a Book Fair Family Night on October 17, 2019. Everyone is invited to join us to browse and buy.

If you are interested in volunteering to help work the Book Fair please contact the PTA at [Cromwellferndalepta@yahoo.com](mailto:Cromwellferndalepta@yahoo.com).

Be on the lookout for our YANKEE CANDLE fundraiser packet. The fundraiser will run September 27 through October 11, 2019. Orders will be in by Christmas!



Erica Brown  
PTA President

## Mark Your Calendars

### PICTURE MAKE UP DAY IS NOVEMBER 22, 2019

A reminder flyer will be sent home with each child that was absent the day pictures were taken.

If you do not like the photo that was sent home you may send the entire package back to school on November 22, 2019 and your child will have the same background/package retaken.

## Tech Tip

October 2019



All of the County Databases are accessible from a home computer.

Go to : <http://opac.aacps.org>

Scroll down and choose George T. Cromwell Elementary School

Select Online Database

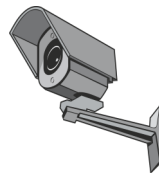
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Use for Biographical information on a wide variety of persons. Search able by topic and name.

George Cromwell Elementary School is equipped with a video camera system. It covers selected interior and exterior public portions of the building and grounds. It is not monitored constantly, but it is monitored during emergency situations. During certain events, when the safety or security of students may be in question, authorized personnel from local, state, or federal police or fire emergency units may be given access to view images projected on the cameras system. If you have any questions about the system, you should call the Supervisor of School Security at 410-222-5083.



## Thanks to J.M. Gaske, Inc.

J.M Gaske, Inc. has sponsored the printing of our school folders for many years. They seek out local businesses to sponsor an advertisement for the folders so that each student is provided one for free. We are very thankful to these business for their ads and hope that you will patronize them for their services.



## **PARENT PUPIL SURVEY**

On October 1, 2019 your child brought home a Federal Impact Aid Survey form. Please assist us by filling out the information requested on the form and return it to school as soon as possible.

The U.S. Department of Education has requested a separate survey form for each child, complete with the address of the parent's/guardian's employer if they work on federal property. Each form must be signed and dated by the parent/guardian. The school system receives funding from the Federal government in support of our children.

Thank you in advance for completing this important form.



George T. Cromwell  
Elementary School

**Paw Power**

## **Free and Reduced Meal Forms**

If your child received meal benefits last year, those benefits extended into this school year will expire soon. Last year's benefits are effective through **October 17, 2019.**

Beginning October 18, 2019, if you have not reapplied and been approved for benefits for this school year, your child will need to pay \$2.75 for lunch daily or bring a lunch from home.

If you completed an application and have not been notified of your status, please contact the school. If you didn't complete an application yet, it is not too late. You can either apply online at AACPS.org or request a Meal Benefits application from school.

There is no cut-off date for completing an application. If your family's financial situation changes during the school year, you can still apply or reapply for benefits.

## **Kids Helping Kids 2019**

Students at George T. Cromwell will once again participate in the "Kids Helping Kids" food drive, sponsored by the Anne Arundel County Food Bank. Food donations will be collected October 1, 2019 through October 31, 2019.

The following foods are most needed:

- Tuna fish
- Canned meats
- Macaroni and cheese
- Canned vegetables
- Canned soups

## **Food Drive**



### Arrival Protocols

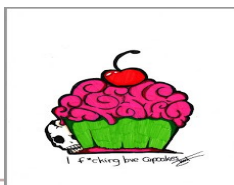
Students are able to enter the building every morning at 8:35 am. There is no adult supervision for students before 8:35 so please do not drop students off and leave before that time. For your child's safety please plan to drop them off between 8:35-8:50. Announcements begin at 8:55 am and students should be in their seats, ready for instruction at 9:00 am.

If your child arrives after 9:00, you will need to park your car and walk into the office to sign your child in.

### **FOOD ITEMS BROUGHT TO SCHOOL TO SHARE WITH OTHER STUDENTS**

If you choose to bring an edible item to school for classroom parties or birthday celebrations, please remember that all items must be store bought with the ingredients marked on each package. The ingredients label must say that the product is nut free.

It is better to send in a non-edible treat (pencils, stickers, etc.) in lieu of a food snack to celebrate a birthday.



### **2019-20 TAAAC Tutor Pool**

The Teachers Association of Anne Arundel County has compiled a list of qualified personnel to aid students in a variety of subject areas. For more information you may call 410-222-3330 or 301-261-8309 or visit [www.taaonline.org](http://www.taaonline.org).

### **Early Dismissal from School**

If you pick up your child early to go to the doctor or dentist remember to send a doctor's note to school the next day for the absence to be excused.

We ask that you send a note to school letting the teacher know so they can prepare missed work/homework in advance of the absence.

A note must be sent to school if someone other than the parents are picking up a student early from school.

For your child's safety, the person picking up your child, including you, will be asked to show picture ID in order to release your child.

### Halloween Activities

George T. Cromwell Elementary School will have a Costume Parade on October 31 at 10:00 AM. If your child chooses not to participate in the Halloween activities we will have alternate activities for them to do during the parade.

Please contact your child's teacher so that we can plan accordingly.





Parents-

The 2019 BOOK IT is here!!! This year's theme is based on the Origami Yoda series by Tom Angleberger. BOOK IT is a reading incentive program sponsored by Pizza Hut. The program runs from October 1- March 31. We are challenging **all students** to read 20 minutes (15 minutes in grade 1) a night at least 5 days a week. A calendar goes home each month where students can record their times. Students will receive a coupon from Pizza Hut for a FREE personal pan pizza if they turn in completed calendars with a parent signature. Please help your child record the minutes he/she reads each night and at the end of the month sign the calendar. Have your child turn the calendar in to their teacher at the end of each month. Remember any type of reading counts. Reading Chessie Books, reading aloud to your child, reading magazines, reading science materials, reading for homework etc.

New this year.... To celebrate 35 years of the Book It Program, Pizza Hut is awarding a chance to win a \$35,000 college plan. Kids who earn a Reading Award Certificate, will also receive an official Reading Journal when they visit Pizza Hut. Complete reading all 6 months and collect all six official stickers to enter for a chance to win. For complete details and rules visit [bookitprogram.com/readinggiveaway](http://bookitprogram.com/readinggiveaway).

Let's all follow Yoda's advice this year and, "READ, YOU MUST!!!"

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Agnes or Mrs. Dodwell.

LET'S GET READING CROMWELL STUDENTS!!!!



Padres-

¡El 2019 "BOOK IT" ya está aquí! El tema de este año se basa en la serie Origami Yoda de Tom Angleberger. BOOK IT es un programa de incentivos de lectura patrocinado por Pizza Hut. El programa se llevará a cabo del 1 de octubre al 31 de marzo. Estamos desafiando a todos los estudiantes a leer 20 minutos (15 minutos en el grado 1) por noche al menos 5 días a la semana. Cada mes se envía un calendario a casa donde los estudiantes pueden registrar sus tiempos. Los estudiantes recibirán un cupón de Pizza Hut para una pizza de pan personal GRATIS si entregan calendarios completos con la firma de los padres. Ayude a su hijo a registrar los minutos que lee cada noche y al final del mes firme el calendario. Haga que su hijo entregue el calendario a su maestro al final de cada mes. Recuerde que cualquier tipo de lectura cuenta. Leer libros de historietas simples, leerle en voz alta a su hijo, leer revistas, leer materiales de ciencias, leer para la tarea, etc.

Nuevo este año ... Para celebrar los 35 años del Programa Book It, Pizza Hut está otorgando la oportunidad de ganar un plan universitario de \$ 35,000. Los niños que obtienen un Certificado de Premio de Lectura también recibirán un Diario de Lectura oficial cuando visiten Pizza Hut. Complete la lectura los 6 meses y recoja las seis calcomanías oficiales para participar y tener la oportunidad de ganar. Para detalles completos y reglas visite [bookitprogram.com/readinggiveaway](http://bookitprogram.com/readinggiveaway).

Sigamos todos los consejos de Yoda este año y, "LEA, ¡¡¡USTED DEBE!!!"

Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con la Sra. Agnes o la Sra. Dodwell.

¡LEAMOS ESTUDIANTES DE CROMWELL!

