

**MCDONOGH**  
PARENTS ASSOCIATION

**Lower School Parent Association Meeting**

**March 8, 2018**

**Welcome & Introductions:** Regan La Testa, LSPA Chair  
Janine Stewart, LSPA Vice Chair

**Director of Parent Relations:** Ann Fleming & Jen Little  
Anne Fleming brought to us a report from Roots Farm that illustrated how the financial support provided by the MPA has contributed to the growth of Roots Farm. If you have not done so, please visit the school farm and see for yourself.

**McDonogh Parents Association:** Randi Klein Hyatt, President  
Mix, Mingle, McDonogh, 3/24 7:30- 10:30. The MPA has been working hard planning an event for McDonogh parents. The event will provide an opportunity to thank Charlie Britton for 11 years of dedication to McDonogh. This catered, casual event will feature heavy hors d'oeuvres, adult beverages, and live music. Don't miss it. RSVP by 3/9.

**Guest Speakers:** Barbara Robins, Head of Lower School  
There was a tremendous turn out for parent-teacher conferences. The teachers appreciated the conference luncheon. Math conferences were well attended as well. Substitute teachers have been needed as many teachers have been out sick and many are without power after the storm.  
Today- 1st grade musical review, Sing! A collaboration with 8th graders  
French Lessons- 4 built into the curriculum starting right after spring break to give rising 5th graders exposure to another language they can choose in middle school. French exchange students will be interacting with the 4th graders.  
100th Day video- Staring Barbara Robins. Find it on the school website

Nancy Fleury, Associate Head of Lower School

Malika DeLancey, Associate Head of Lower School

### Lower School Committees:

**Faculty Free Fridays:**  
PK-K volunteers needed

Nina Basu & Cristina Ginsburg, Co-Chairs-

**Adventure in the Arts Day:**

Brandi Rey- many volunteers.

See updated signup genius for additional volunteers after the break through april 13..  
4/13 is the day for set up

### Upcoming Events:

- **March 12-19:** Spring Break
- **March 24:** Mix, Mingle, McDonogh; Paterakis Hall  
7:30p- 10:30p (RSVP)
- **March 29:** Multicultural Night
- **April 6:** Faculty Free Friday
  
- **April 12:** Parent Education Event- Tap, Click,  
Read: Growing Readers in a World of  
Screens; Klein Lyceum 7pm  
**babysitting and dinner provided**
- **April 17th**  
graders 5th grade information night- for rising 5th
  
- **April 20:** Adventure in the Arts Day
  
- **May 2:** Used Book Sale  
Collection boxes in LS lobbies. We are looking for books for PK-4 and some  
higher reading levels

**Next Meeting April 5, 2018 in Mullan Board Room**