

**WALT DISNEY MAGNET SCH**  
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To: Disney Parents  
From: Ms. Bandolik, AIC/Principal  
Re: Assorted Matters

October 16, 2019

**CLASSES CANCELLED THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17**  
**Disney Community Forum – Thursday, October 24 6 pm**

**-School Closure/Labor Strike** – Mayor Lightfoot has cancelled classes for **Thursday, October 17**, in advance of a potential strike. Please pay attention to local radio or TV news for information about any called strike. You may also refer to the Chicago Public School website, [cps.edu](http://cps.edu), for updates. During the closure or strike, school buildings will remain open during normal school hours, with administrative and some ancillary staffing. There will be no school bus service. Parents may take their child to Disney or to the school nearest to home, provided the school has the child's grade level. Meals will be served and your child will be kept engaged and safe. To check for the schools open nearest your home, visit the website [schoolinfo.cps.edu](http://schoolinfo.cps.edu) and enter your address. A list of nearby open schools will pop up for your reference. You are requested to register if you are bringing your child to a school.

**-Local School Council** – There is an LSC meeting tonight, **Wednesday, October 16**, at 5:30 p.m. All parents are welcome.

**- Student Picture Day** – Pictures have been scheduled to be taken October 18 through October 24. Each class has a designated day and time. Order envelopes with the date have been sent home. Should a labor strike interfere with the schedule, those dates will be rescheduled.

**-Community Forum** – There will be a community forum on **Thursday, October 24**, at 6 pm in the CAC. The forum is open to all Disney community members. The forum hosted and led by the LSC, PAC and PTA parents and school leaders is dedicated to building a vision for stronger collaboration amongst parents, students and the school community. Participants will be able to voice concerns and have a voice in creating a positive and purposeful action plan. Come prepared with creative ideas, honest thoughts and a willingness to brainstorm in teams.

**- Languages and Translators at Disney** – Following is a list of languages we have spoken in the building if the need for a translator were to arise. In the event you need a translator for a meeting, etc., we will make every effort to have someone available to provide the appropriate language assistance.

Bengali/Bangla, Cantonese, French, German, Greek, Gujarat, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Lithuanian, Mandarin, Romanian, Spanish, Urdu.

**- Heating and Cooling System Update**– We have received communication from CPS staff in charge of the HVAC project at Disney. We have 38 rooftop units to service our school. In preparation for the winter heating season, a contractor has been hired to maintain or repair units needing attention. Parts have been ordered for some and others are in the process of being serviced. 2 units are non-functioning. We have been told that heat from other units/areas will be redirected to areas where more heat is required. We will keep you updated on any further developments. Please be assured that the safety and comfort of our students and staff is of utmost importance.

**-PTA-** The PTA *Yankee Candle Fundraiser* has ended, if you missed it, there is still time to order online! Use group code 999979948 and your order will assist in funding the many activities PTA supports. PTA has a *Movie Night* planned for **Friday, October 18**, but if there is a strike, and it looks likely, it will be cancelled. We have planned to show "Scooby Doo and the Curse of the 13<sup>th</sup> Ghost". *Box Tops* has a deadline of **Friday, November 1**, for us to get in all of our box tops for the year. Parents please send in all of your box tops so that we can turn them into dollars for school! *Scholastic Book Fair* is coming!! It will run November 4-15 and PTA needs volunteers to help run the retail store. In addition to cultivating a love of reading in students, the book fair directly supplies books to our library and teachers! Email PTA at [info@disneyschoolpta.org](mailto:info@disneyschoolpta.org) for more info and to sign up to help.

-Upcoming Calendar Dates – **Friday, November 8** – School Improvement Day – No Classes

**Wednesday, November 13** – Parent-Teacher Conference Day – Report card pick up – No Classes

**Wednesday, November 27 through Friday, November 29** – Thanksgiving Holiday – Schools Closed