



# This Week at The Crossroads School

Week of February 12, 2007

## Upcoming Events

<b>Feb 19</b>	Schools Closed
<b>Mar 2</b>	Professional Dev.
<b>Mar 8</b>	TCAP Celebration
<b>Mar 9</b>	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester
<b>Mar 13-16</b>	2007 MSA
<b>Apr 2-3</b>	Scholastic Book Fair
<b>Apr 6-13</b>	Spring Break
<b>Apr 24</b>	School Pictures
<b>May 3-4</b>	Site Seminar
<b>June 7</b>	Gateway Ceremony

## Projects & Assessments

<b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade Humanities</b>
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<b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math/Science</b>
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<b>7<sup>th</sup> Grade Humanities</b>
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<b>7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math/Science</b>
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<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade Humanities</b>
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<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math/Science</b>
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## Newsletters Available ONLINE

[www.thecrossroadsschool.org](http://www.thecrossroadsschool.org)

Parents – Our weekly newsletters are now available on our website. Simply click on “Crossroads News” for a copy of the current newsletter and a list of all archived editions.

## Crossroads Spelling Bee

Last Tuesday, The Crossroads School gathered for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Spelling Bee. The event provided a chance for top spellers from each grade level to compete against each other for the title of Crossroads Spelling Bee Champion. Our champion will represent the school at the upcoming Citywide Bee and will have the opportunity to advance to state and national competitions. We would like to congratulate 7<sup>th</sup> grader Kristina Hall for being this year’s champion and 6<sup>th</sup> grader Tristan Raynor for being runner-up.

## Maryland School Assessment

All students at Crossroads will be taking the Maryland School Assessment during the week of March 12<sup>th</sup>. Students will be tested in both reading and math and scores will be reported to parents in June. This assessment is an important benchmark for Crossroads and our results will appear in the Baltimore Sun and on the Internet. We want to make sure that Crossroads continues to shine on the MSA. Each student has access to an online review tool called Study Island at [www.studyisland.com](http://www.studyisland.com). Students simply login to the site and can practice important skills in both reading and math while at home. Please contact Wendy Jeffries with questions about the program.

## Family Curriculum Night – February 27

On Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30, we will be hosting a Family Curriculum Night for all parents. The event will begin with a catered dinner from 5:30-6:00 followed by a choice of activities for parents. The activities will have a literacy focus and will relate to some of our current learning expeditions/investigations. After dinner, parents will have a chance to experience some of the activities that students are involved with here at Crossroads. More information will be sent home later this week.

## 2007-2008 Application Process

We have started the process of recruiting our next class of sixth grade students. Parents of 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are being invited to visit Crossroads for an Open House on the evening of Thursday, February 22 from 5:00-7:00 pm. Please let friends, relatives and neighbors know that they are welcome to attend.

## Student-led Conferences – SAVE THE DATE

2<sup>nd</sup> trimester student-led conferences will take place on **Tuesday, March 20 and Wednesday, March 21**. This is a mandatory event for all students and parents so please save the date. Your child’s advisor will be calling you in the coming weeks to schedule your conference. 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester report cards will be distributed at student led conferences.