



McDonald International

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Matching Field Day T-shirts on Sale Now

Do you want a matching Scottie T-shirt to wear with your classmates on Field Day? McDonald School has a Field Day tradition of students wearing grade-level assigned colored T-shirts and taking an all-school rainbow photo.



This year, in the spirit of school unity and to represent the Japanese tradition of wearing matching happi coats, there will be an original Scottie design T-shirt available to order in all 6 grade-level colors! The cost of one T-shirt is \$12 and the **order deadline is Monday, May 20.**

How to order:

- Fill out this online order form: [McD Field Day 2024 Order Form](#)
- Send payment to Wakako Reinhart by Venmo, PayPal or cash (follow detailed instructions on the order form)

We encourage families to order shirts for themselves too!

Contacts: [Wakako R.](#), [Yuko K.](#), and [Aya B.](#)

Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI) Team Meeting

Please join us at the next McDonald Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI) Team Meeting:

When: Thursday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Where: Virtual [via Zoom](#)



Our awesome DEI team gathers together monthly to discuss a wide variety of concerns, needs, issues, and advocacy. We focus on bringing an equity perspective to McDonald events and activities, and providing opportunities for community engagement.

Participation is open to all and you are welcome to join any meeting! We hope you can join us!

Please reach out to DEI@mcdonaldpta.org with any questions, and to be added to our [Google group](#). Or visit our info page at

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<https://mcdonaldpta.org/dei>.

Spring Plant Exchange Recap and Thank You

The Spring Plant Exchange at McDonald was a vibrant display of community spirit and environmental education. Families and volunteers alike gathered on a beautiful warm spring day to share plants and seeds with the community and at the same time learn about how to care for soil and the Earth.



The event featured tables of seeds, plant starts and other plants to share. It also featured a seed-mixing station, where attendees had the opportunity to create their own seed mixes to take home and plant, fostering a love for gardening and environmental stewardship from an early age.

Another highlight was the education station, where attendees learned about the importance of recycling, composting, and proper waste management. Participants eagerly engaged in activities like learning about the benefits of composting, including getting hands-on experience with a worm bin.

None of this would have been possible without the dedication of volunteers like **Liz Fleck**, **Cara Mattera**, **Melody Hansen** and **Melanie Brown**, whose efforts helped make the Spring Plant Exchange a resounding success. Their contributions helped create a fun and educational experience that brought the McDonald School Community closer together while promoting sustainable practices for a greener future.

Two More Fridays to Bike, Walk and Roll to School

Make sure to bike, walk or roll to school again this **Friday, May 17**. Remember to bring your passport book to receive your third stamp. A stamp table will be set up on NE 54th Street and NE 55th Street. After Friday there is one more opportunity to participate in the event, **Friday, May 24**. Prizes will be given away on **May 24**.



If you usually drive to school, park a few blocks away from school and walk in. If your child typically takes the bus to school, that counts as participation too.

International Night Recap and Thank You

It was wonderful to see the Scottie community come together for International Night last weekend!

Thank you to our community and student performers, as well as all of the families who joined us. A grateful shout-out to our amazing teachers and guest teachers who prepared and led the

students who performed! Finally, a big thank you to Colleen Korby and the many volunteers who came together to organize, decorate, MC, lead activities, bake, clean up, and otherwise stage this event. In addition to all of the fun, the bake sale raised \$2,000 for the PTA, covering the costs of the event and beyond.



If you have ideas for or would like to be involved in organizing the next International Night, reach out to [Colleen Korby](#) and the current [PTA Events team](#). Thank you, Scotties!

Plastic Film Recycling Drive

McDonald International is keeping Plastic Film from landfills with Ridwell this spring! As part of this limited-time drive, you can bring these types of [Plastic Film](#) to a **collection bin in our school hallway from May 1st-21st**.



Ridwell will make sure they stay out of landfills and are turned into new decking materials instead—start collecting these items at home now.

You can also help McDonald recycle our school's plastic film for the entire '24/'25 school year! Be sure to use [this link](#) to join Ridwell with an at-home membership by May 31st, 2024. **If we sign up 10 or more new members by this date, we will be awarded monthly Plastic Film pickups for our school next year!**

Seattle Reign Fundraiser: Get Your Tickets!

Calling all McDonald International families, friends, & teachers!

Let's celebrate the end of the year together with an unforgettable night at the Seattle Reign vs Orlando Pride soccer game: **May 19th, 2024!**

📣⚽ We've got a special section just for us!! Every ticket sold benefits our fundraising efforts. A BIG thanks to the Seattle Reign for their support!



[Grab your tickets now](#) and send [the link](#) to all your family & friends, and/or post it on your social media platform. For every ticket, \$10 is donated to McDonald International!

Go Reign! Go Scottie Dogs!

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