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From the Principal's Desk

There has been so much going on here at WFES! Kindergarten registration has opened. We had family reading night, Junior Achievement in a Day, our quarterly PBIS Celebration, and Read Across America Day. If you are interested in seeing more pictures of these events, **follow us on Twitter! @hcpss_wfes**

Kindergarten registration has begun! If you, a neighbor, or friend, have a child who is to be enrolled in Kindergarten next year, please have them come up to our main office to register as soon as possible. Knowing our enrollment numbers sooner helps us with staffing allocations.

I want to thank all the families who joined me for reading night. We had a great time building relationships and reading and listening to stories. A special thank you to **Mrs. Petrilla**, our media specialist, and **Mrs. Steger**, our Assistant Principal for all their support.



The entire student body was able to participate in Junior Achievement in a Day program. This program exposes students to key concepts of financial literacy and entrepreneurship. This is all done using age appropriate materials led by volunteers. I want to thank this year's volunteers for all their time and effort... **Anna Kim, Bavani Murari, Sara Kallay, Dana Keiner, Nancy Janson, Linda Chrest, Alice Snyder, Carol Corbin, Kathy Baur, Krista Patterson, Amy Grutzik, Helen Farnen, Darlene Heflin, Monica Conrad, and Shana Hamilton.** A special thanks to our JA Coordinator and WFES parent, **Hina Naseem** for organizing the program. We could not have done this program without all of you!

We celebrated Dr. Seuss' Birthday/Read Across America on March 2nd. We conducted a door-decorating contest where each classroom covered their door in

a way that highlighted a favorite book, story, or a love for reading. There were special reading and writing activities in all the rooms. The staff wore Dr. Seuss hats and we had **County Executive Kittleman** read to our Kindergarteners!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Continues – March 4
Tuesday, March 8
Friday, March 11
Monday, March 14
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Tuesday, March 15
Saturday, March 19
Thursday, March 24
Fri., Mar. 25 – Fri., April 1

Kindergarten Registration – 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
PTA Meeting – 9:30 a.m.
Double Tuffy Ticket Day
STEM Day
Science Fair & *Eric Energy!* – 6:30 p.m.
Gr. 1 Trip to Toby's Dinner Theatre
Tiger Madness & Silent Auction (Adults Only) at Players Bar & Grill – 7 p.m.
Gr. 4 Trip to Port Discovery
Schools & Offices Closed – Spring Break

School News



PBIS News: The quarterly PBIS Celebration was a huge success! Our students do a wonderful job modeling the 3R's and deserve to celebrate their efforts. Check out our bulletin board near the cafeteria to see some pictures from this event. During each celebration, students are encouraged to make new friends. The Staff is also encouraged to participate along side the children during the activities to strengthen those positive relationships.



Math at Home!: Spring Training for the Orioles has many people looking ahead to summer. For some people, summer means beach trips and lazy days. For others, it means afternoons spent at the ballpark, watching a favorite team throw the ball and swing the bat. Whether you enjoy playing the game, cheering from the stands, or eating the snacks, solving these word problems can make you feel like you are spending the day enjoying America's favorite pastime.

K- Grade 2

Judah is on a Little League baseball team called the Cougars. In their game last night against the Gladiators, Judah hit 2 doubles, a single, and a homerun. What was the total number of bases that Judah touched during the game? How do you know?

Grade 3-4

One Sunday afternoon, Kelly attended a game between the Houston Astros and Oakland Athletics, which started at 1:10 p.m. The first 2 innings took 45 minutes to complete. At the end of the second inning, a thunderstorm began, causing a rain delay that lasted for 25 minutes. The rest of the game took 3 hours and 50 minutes to complete. Kelly took 30 minutes to get home. What time did Kelly get home from the game?

Grades 5-6

Jabril gave one-half of his baseball cards to Francesca, who gave Chris one-third of the cards that she got from Jabril. Chris got 4 cards. How many cards did Jabril originally have? Explain your reasoning.

Harris Teeter VIC Card

Have you linked your Harris Teeter VIC Card to the West Friendship Elementary Together in Education code, #2240? Harris Teeter contributes a percentage of all HT brand purchases to the WFES TIE account when your VIC card is linked to our school. Here are two easy ways to link your VIC card:

- visit your Harris Teeter store and ask your cashier to link your card to #2240.
- visit www.HarrisTeeter.com, Community, Together in Education and link your card online.

Kindergarten Registration Continues

Do you have a child or know of a child who will be 5-years old by September 1, 2016? **Kindergarten Registration is in full swing, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** Students must be registered by their custodial parent (biological, adoptive, legal guardian) and the parent must live within the school attendance area. Please be prepared to spend about 30-minutes completing paperwork. The following documents are required at time of registration:

- Parent picture ID: original driver's license, military ID, or passport.
- Signed original, current lease or deed with your address, valid dates, signatures.
- Current utility bill with name and address (non-cellular telephone, gas and electric, cable bill).
- Student's proof of birth (original birth certificate, baptismal certificate, hospital certificate, passport or military ID).
- Proof of parental relationship, custody, or guardianship. If applicable, bring legal proof of custody (court order).
- Student's current proof of immunizations signed by a doctor, health care provider, day care provider or school official.
- Documentation of Special Education (IEP), 504, Psychological Report, or related services.
- Any additional paperwork that may be necessary due to special living arrangements or circumstances.

No appointment is necessary during the Kindergarten Registration Kickoff week. If you are unable to register your child during this time, please contact Mrs. Colleen Green at 410-313-5512 or colleen.green@hcpss.org to make a registration appointment.

PTA News

Tiger Madness & Silent Auction

Tickets on sale now! Go to www.WFESTigerMadness.com to purchase your tickets online, or download paper form and return to school. Tiger Madness will be held at Player's Bar & Grill on Saturday, March 19th. Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door. It is an adults-only event with silent auction and other fun games, raffles, Wii Basketball for class prizes, cash bar, March Madness on TV... a good time for a great cause. Tickets include event admission, buffet dinner, give-away goodies and your chance to experience a LIVE auction by Mr. Tark! Be sure to 'like' West Friendship Elementary School Tiger Madness & Silent Auction on Facebook and visit the website for all the latest Tiger Madness updates and a sneak peek at auction items!

How can you get involved?

We need volunteers to help during the silent auction event. If you are interested, please email me your contact information. This event will be fun, will help your kids, and will make money for our school!!! Sponsorship and donation opportunities are still available! If you or your business would like more information on donating or becoming a Tiger Madness & Silent Auction sponsor, please contact me.

Tiger Madness & Silent Auction contact info:

Kara Williams 443-756-3067 karamichellewilliams@yahoo.com

"Dining for Dollars" at Glory Days Grill

Upcoming "dining for dollars" WFES spring fundraising event at Glory Days Grill. When you dine at a Glory Day between March 11 & May 30th, the restaurant will contribute 10% of your total food and beverage purchases to West Friendship Elementary School. Bring your neighbors, friends, and relatives, because the 10% applies to the total food and beverage bill. Simply ask your server for a copy of your guest check (not credit card receipt). Please put the guest check in an envelope marked "Glory Days- PTA" and send to school with your student or have any other friends/family who participate mail directly to WFES at 12500 Frederick Road, West Friendship, MD 21794. Questions – Email Jen @ jlowther4@gmail.com

Community Outreach Event at Barnes & Noble – April 19th

Please mark your calendars for Barnes & Noble Night to benefit Mary Ann Winterling Elementary School in Baltimore City. More details to come!

West Friendship Elementary School PTA Membership

By becoming a member of the WFES PTA, you will be helping your child and the entire school community. The WFES PTA sponsors many wonderful programs and activities, such as the Back to School Dance, Cultural Arts Assemblies, Science Fair, Staff Appreciation, Spring Festival, and much more! In addition, recent policy changes prevent teachers from using their class mailing lists for non-school activities. However, members of the PTA will receive a membership book and classroom mailing list, which is about the only way to obtain these items.

Please register online (you can pay by credit card or check): <http://www.wfespta.com/join/> While you're on our website, feel free to follow us via Twitter, Facebook or E-mail to stay informed. If you would prefer to complete your registration via paper, please leave a message at [443-396-3707](tel:443-396-3707). Someone from the membership committee will contact you.

Community News

Annual Choose Civility Poster and Video Contest

Would You Say That To My Face? Design a poster or create a video illustrating the theme of social media responsibility. Use your imagination, creativity, and artistic talent to show others why it's important to be a good digital citizen. Start by asking yourself a few questions. What does it mean to be a good digital citizen? How do you respect yourself and others, decide what to share with others, and choose which photos to post? What does it mean to think twice, post once? What's your digital footprint? Visit Common Sense Media or talk to your technology teacher or media specialist for some ideas, then design a poster or create a video.

WHO: Groups or individual students in grades K-12 who live or attend school in Howard County and students who attend home school or a school without grade levels should enter the comparable grade level

WHEN: Entries accepted February 1 - March 25, 2016

Entries may be turned in to Mrs. Carlyle at WFES on or before Friday, March 18 or you may take them directly to the Columbia Art Center after March 18 until the deadline on March 25. Exhibit will be at the Columbia Art Center from April 11 - 29, 2016.

RECEPTION April 13, 2016; 5:30 - 7 pm and

AWARDS CEREMONY 6 pm

PRIZES: \$50 Target gift card awarded to Grand Prize winners, \$25 Target gift card awarded to age category winners

HOW: Each submission should include the student's: name, grade level, and school Submit entries by mail or drop off to: Monica Herber, Columbia Association Art Center, 6100 Foreland Garth, Columbia, MD 21045 Questions? Call 410.730.0075 or email monica.herber@columbiaassociation.org.

DETAILS Visit www.ChooseCivility.org

Presented in partnership with the Columbia Association Art Center, Howard County Library System, and Howard County Public School System.

Preschool Program Applications

The Bushy Park Regional Early Childhood Center (RECC) preschool programs are now accepting applications for classes for the 2016-2017 school year. These classes include children with and without disabilities. The program's focus is helping all children develop communication, literacy, math, problem solving, motor, and social skills. Parents of children who will be 3-years old by September 1, 2016 for the

2016-2017 school year may see Gail Phillips in the school office for an application packet beginning February 16, 2016. There are no 4-year old peer openings for the 2016-2017 school year.

All applications must be returned by March 22, 2016. A limited number of openings are available for children without disabilities. Children are selected based upon screening information given on the application form and the "Ages and Stages Questionnaire," as well as observations of the child's participation in a playgroup. If necessary, a lottery process is conducted.

Please direct questions to Katie Hereth at 410-442-2448 or 410-313-5500.

The Howard County Public School System will offer a prekindergarten option in 2016-2017 for income-eligible children who will be **4-years old by September 1, 2016**.

Please contact Katie Hereth at 410-442-2448 to request additional information about this program.

Folly Quarter Middle School Community Indoor Yard Sale will be held

Saturday, March 12, 8:00am -12:00pm, 13500 Triadelphia Rd. Ellicott City. Get your spring cleaning done early! Clean out your closets, basements, and garages! Yard salers and vendors welcome! Space available/\$20 per table. Vendors keep their profits. Sponsored by the FQMS Leo Club benefiting [Alice's Dream Foundation](#). To reserve a space email fqmsyardsale2016@gmail.com or call 410-489-5799.

Looking to fulfill service hours??? We need volunteers to help make the yard sale a success Friday night and Saturday. Check our *Volunteerspot* link to sign up to help at <http://vols.pt/Gz3Frm>.

St. Louis Catholic Church

Youth Ministry Presents The 35th Annual Italian Dinner On Sunday, **March 13**, 12:30-6:30 p.m., St. Louis Cafetorium, Route 108 & 32. All meals include Spaghetti or Lasagna soda/coffee/tea, salad, garlic bread, and homemade desserts. Tickets cost \$10/adult, \$5/children (10 & under), \$13/Lasagna, \$16/Combo Spaghetti/Lasagna & \$40/Immediate family of 6. Call (410) 531-6668.

Girl Scouts

Teddy Bear and Me Tea on Sunday, **March 13**, 1:30- 3:30 p.m., at the Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, 12430 Scaggsville Road, Highland. Contact Gay Williams gaywilliams12@gmail.com or call [301.740.0295](tel:301.740.0295). Delicious treats, crafts, songs and activities coordinated by G.S. Cadette Troop 10076. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at [301.740.0295](tel:301.740.0295).

Boy Scouts

Scouting For Food, Elementary Schools and Middle School, Saturday, **March 19**. Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts who attend these schools will be out in your neighborhood on that day to collect your donations. A bag will be dropped off at your home a few days before. Please remember to put your donations by your front door or your mailbox by 8 a.m. on March 19. Thanks for your generous donations. For more information scoutingforfoodnpd@verizon.net.

Cedar Lane School

Walk for Our Stars, Saturday, **April 23**, 10 a.m.

Come join us for this fun, non-competitive walk. All money raised will be used to support our students with significant special needs and our staff. Funds will go towards the purchase of specialized equipment, expand the school's cultural arts program, increase the number of student field trips, and provide staff development beyond what is provided by the county. Please support The Walk and help those who can't walk, learn to stand on their own and those who can't speak, find their voice. For further information please contact Cedar Lane School at 410-888-8800 or karioreilly@verizon.net

Howard County Government

Womenfest, a FREE Health & Wellness Event for Women, Saturday, **April 30**, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., at the Gary J. Arthur Community Center at Glenwood, Cooksville. For more information about WomenFest, please visit the event's website at www.howardcountymd.gov/WomenFest or call 410-313-5440.

Food on the 15th

Volunteer opportunities for students of all ages. We collect, sort, and deliver free non-perishable groceries directly to low-income Howard County senior citizens. To learn more about what we do, visit our website at www.foodonthe15th.org/. We are always looking for students and groups to do food drives for us. We can be reached at foodonthe15th@gmail.com.

Slayton House Theatre Camp of the Arts

How about a musical theatre Summer Camp at 10400 Cross Fox Lane in Columbia, MD??? Three sessions are scheduled:

- June 20 – July 8
- July 11 – July 22
- July 25 – August 25

Please visit www.CampOfTheArts.com or call 410-730-3987 for information or registration forms.

Bag-A-Palooza B I N G O

Glenelg High School PTSA After-Prom Party Fundraiser on March 16th at Glenelg High School. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., games start at 7:00 p.m. Prizes include Kate Spade, Vera Bradley, Coach and much more...20 games included, 3 special games, raffles and door prizes. Food available for purchase including sandwiches, hot dogs, veggies, and snacks. Tickets are \$15.00 in advance or \$20.00 at the door (advance sales available until 2PM on the 16th). Purchase your tickets now, as seats are limited! Additional game cards, raffles and special games are available for purchase.

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Glenelg High School After-Prom Bingo ORDER FORM

\$15 x ___ tickets = Total \$ ___

Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Order forms may be sent to the school with your check (made payable to GHS PTSA):

Glenelg PTSA Bingo, 14025 Burntwoods Road, Glenelg, MD 21737

OR go to the GHS PTSA website: www.glenelgptsa.org to pay with PayPal

*All Tickets will be held at the door for pick up

If you need additional information, please contact us at: glenelghighschoolpts@gmail.com