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From the Principal's Desk

It's hard to believe that there are only two weeks of school remaining! The staff and students are still teaching and learning – and we are also taking many opportunities to celebrate and acknowledge all the learning and hard work that occurred during the school year. In addition to all the grade level picnic/celebrations next week, we will be having our end of year PBIS celebration Tiger Beach on June 19! Students do need to wear appropriate shoes, like in PE, to be able to participate in all the activities. A more detailed schedule is posted below.

Kudos to **Mrs. Cathy Rayburn** for all her efforts organizing this year's Tiger Trot! The students had a wonderful time being active. Thank you to all the volunteers who supported her.

Congratulations to our music department! **Mr. Richard Umla, Mrs. Amy Syversen,** and **Mr. Matthew DeBeal** all had amazing concerts that were well attended. Our little musicians really shined! I am very proud of them. Thank you to **Mr. Benjamin Learish** for stepping in to cover for Mrs. Syversen during her absence.

Hats off to Mrs. Ann Marie Ottman and Ms. Lauren Watts, Kindergarten teacher! STEM Day was today and there were so many amazing presenters. Our students and staff were highly engaged and they learned so much about science, technology, engineering, and math in the real world.

Thank you to **Mrs. Elizabeth Burns** for making Peer Mentor badges for our incoming peer mentors. Mrs. Carlyle really appreciated your assistance.

It's not too late to RSVP for my Coffee and Conversation with our PTA President Mrs. Dana Keiner on June 10 at 9:30 a.m. Please call the main office or email penny jones@hcpss.org I will be sharing some information about the future of our school facility and school improvement plans for next year.

Follow us on Twitter: @hcpss WFES It's fun!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, June 8 Kindergarten Program – 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, June 10
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Friday, June 12
Gr. 4 Days of Taste – a.m.
Kindergarten Picnic
Gr. 4 Picnic – 12:50 p.m.
Move Up Day – 9:30 a.m.

Friday, June 12 Gr. 2 Picnic

Monday, June 15 Gr. 5 Invasive Species Field Experience

Tuesday, June 16 Gr. 3 Picnic

Wednesday, June 17 Gr. 5 Promotion/Picnic

Wednesday, June 17 Gr. 1 Picnic

Thursday, June 18 2-Hour Early Dismissal (1:45 p.m.)

Friday, June 19 Last Day of School: 3-Hour Early Dismissal (12:45 p.m.)

What's for Lunch?

For the latest menus, and information regarding food services, please go to: http://www.hcpss.org/food-services or download the HCPSS App for free.

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Lunch Entree Choices (\$2.75) Beef Taco with Flour Tortilla Yogurt/Fruit/Cheese Combo Cheese Pizza	Lunch Entree Choices (\$2.75) Popcom Chicken and Roll Yogurt/Fruit/Cheese Combo Cheese Pizza	Lunch Entree Choices (\$2.75) Chicken Nuggets with Roll Yogurt/Fruit/Cheese Combo Cheese Pizza	Lunch Entree Choices (\$2.75) Cheeseburger or Hamburger with Roll Yogurf/Fruit/Cheese Combo Cheese Pizza	Lunch Entree Choices (\$2.75) Hot Dog on Roll with Baked Beans Yogurt/Fruit/Cheese Combo Cheese Pizza
Featured Items: Spinach Salad, Celery Sticks, Broccoli Florets, Applesauce	Featured Items: Shredded Lettuce, Diced Tomatoes, Mixed Fruit	Featured Items: Romaine Salad, Baby Carrots, Cinnamon Apple Slices	Featured Items: Tossed Salad, Tomato Wedges, Sliced Peaches	Featured Items: Shredded Lettuce, Cucumber Slices with Tomato Wedge, Diced Pears
All lunches include Fresh Apples and Oranges	All lunches include Fresh Apples and Oranges	All lunches include Fresh Apples and Oranges	All lunches include Fresh Apples and Oranges	All lunches include Fresh Apples and Oranges
Hot Vegetable: Corn	Hot Vegetable: Peas	Hot Vegetable: Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Hot Vegetable: Green Beans	Hot Vegetable: Carrot Coins
Milk (50¢): fat free flavored, fat free unflavored, or 1% white	Milk (50¢): fat free flavored, fat free unflavored, or 1% white	Milk (50¢): fat free flavored, fat free unflavored, or 1% white	Milk (50¢): fat free flavored, fat free unflavored, or 1% white	Milk (50¢): fat free flavored, fat free unflavored, or 1% white
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School News

Last Day of School

The Maryland State Board of Education has approved the HCPSS 2014–2015 Calendar Waiver request to waive one instructional day that was lost due to inclement weather. The last student day will now be on Friday, June 19, 2015.

All schools will be open for a full day on Wednesday, June 17. All schools will close two hours early for students on Thursday, June 18, and will close three hours early for students on Friday, June 19.

Tiger Beach: June 19

After attendance, please bring students outside for morning announcements, pledge, and school song. **For safety reasons, students need to wear tennis shoes.**

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9:20 - 9:30	Announcements, Expectations, Song		
9:30 - 9:45	Rotation 1		
9:45 – 10:00	Rotation 2		
10:00 – 10:15	Rotation 3		
10:15 - 10:30	Rotation 4		
10:30 - 10:45	Rotation 5		
10:45 - 11:00	Rotation 6		
11:00 - 11:10	School Dance (Mr. Talbert)		
11:10 - 11:20	Special Performance (Mr. Hackett)		
11:20 - 11:30	Tug of Fun (Staff vs. 5th grade)		
11:30 – 12:00	Lunch		
12:00 - 12:35	Pack Up / Quiet Time		

Activities:

- Sponge Bucket Race Ice Pops
- Side Walk Chalk
- Capture the Flag
- Frisbee Toss Rich
- Minute To Win It

News from the Band Room

Current Third and Fourth Grade students can now sign up for the 2015-2016 Band ONLINE! Go to www.amybejm.com to sign up! All returning Band students must sign up for Band for Fifth Grade, but are automatically placed into Advanced Band. Current Fourth Graders wishing to join band as a beginner in Fifth Grade should email the Band Director, Amy Syversen at Amy Syversen@hcpss.org so she can go over options for joining as a Fifth Grade Beginner. *Registration closes on September 1st!*

PTA NEWS

Box Tops for Education

As we all work to "finish strong" this school year, let's do the same with Box Tops fundraising. **Beginning now through Wednesday, June 10**th, we will be running our last Box Tops Race for the year. Check your pantry and be sure to send in anything you may have collected. The grade with the most submissions will enjoy an extra recess the last week of school.

Also, don't forget to keep collecting over the summer months. Our first race of the new school year is set to be big! As always, thank you for your support of this program.

Walking Wednesday

We still have a few Walking Wednesday to go before summer!! We are in need of volunteers to assist the Wellness Committee. You can sign up during your child's recess. You will mark laps, help the kids stay on the track, and hand out small awards for laps completed. Only 40-minutes of your time is needed. Sign up for as many as you'd like. We welcome any family members that want to participate that have completed volunteer training.

Here is the link to sign up: http://vols.pt/X5jdxe

Volunteers Needed for PTA Committees

WFES is looking for a few more volunteers! Your help and support is needed for several upcoming activities for the remainder of this school year and next year too! If you have even one hour to lend a hand – either from home or at West Friendship - we would love to have you participate. What are your interests and talents? We probably have a committee that could use your expertise. Here are several PTA committees looking for some assistance:

- Spring Festival
- Walking Wednesday
- Tiger Trot May 27th
- Wellness Committee
- Science Fair
- Stem Day June 6th
- Family Fun
- Community Outreach
- Welcoming Committee
- Staff Appreciation
- WFES 90th Anniversary Celebration Activities
- Silent Auction
- Spirit Wear
- PTA Volunteer Coordinator

If you are interested in chairing a PTA committee or taking on a PTA Executive Committee position for the 2015-2016 school year, please let us know and get involved.

If you are interested in hearing more about the volunteer activities and how you can help out WFES please email Valerie Eshleman at veshleman@healthlawyers.org, Hina Naseem at hnaseem@mac.com, or Penny Jones at penny jones@hcpss.org.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Marriotts Ridge Boys Basketball Camp

Marriotts Ridge Boys Basketball program will be holding their annual camp from June 22nd until June 26th at Marriotts Ridge High School. Camp will include games, contests, lectures, and skill development. Camp runs from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. We encourage rising 5th and 6th grade students to attend. It is a great opportunity for players of all ages to meet the coaches, sharpen their skills, and have fun. Dave Appleby has been a successful coach in the county for 30+ years and will be the director of camp. For more information please visit: www.mrhs-boosters/summer-camps

Marriotts Ridge Girls Basketball Camp

The Marriotts Ridge Girls Basketball program will be hosting a summer camp that will be held from June 22nd - June 26th from 1-4pm at MRHS. It is a great opportunity for all young players striving to play basketball at the next level. Our Girls Basketball Camp is designed to improve the fundamentals and strengthen the individual skill development of each camper. Coaches will use a variety of creative drills, challenging exercises, exciting games, scrimmages, and many other activities to help each player improve both individual and team oriented skills. Multiple coaches and current MRHS basketball players will be available to provide demonstrations and offer feedback. All rising 5th - 9th grade girls are welcome! To register, please email summercamps@mrhs-boosters.com or contact Christine Forman at dcbforman@verizon.net. Please feel free to contact Coach Bay with any questions in regards to camp, Caitlin_Bay@hcpss.org. We look forward to seeing you there!

Glenelg High School Boosters Camp 2015

Glenelg High School offers camps for Boys and Girls, incoming 6th – 8th graders. Complete details can be found at www.glenelgboosters.com. Camps this year will include: soccer, football, basketball, baseball, softball, lacrosse, cheerleading, volleyball, speed & agility, field hockey, wrestling, tennis, and robotics. Camp inclusion is available for students with disabilities. Please visit www.campsinclusion.com for additional information. Questions??? Contact Pat Thorne, pthorne@hcpss.org or call 410-313-5535.

Howard County Public Library - Glenwood Branch

The *following presentations require registration* (which begins one week prior to class). Please register by phone (410-313-5579) or on-line, <u>www.hclibrary.org</u>.

PRESCHOOL BLOCK PARTY

We provide the blocks and you bring the imagination; build and create with blocks of all kinds. Ages 3-5 with adult; 45 minutes Wednesday, June 10, 10:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.

SLOPPY SATURDAYS

Seasonally themed crafts
Ages 5-10; 20 minutes
Saturdays, June 13, (July & August too,) 3:00 p.m.

SUPERHERO BOOK BINGO

Play Bingo featuring superheroes, and maybe win a book! Ages 5 & up; 45-60 minutes. Fridays, June 19 (& August 14), 3:00 p.m.

FAMILY COLLABORATIVE ART

Explore the paint resist method and collage techniques to create a family masterpiece on canvas board. Taught by "Abracadoodle."

Families (ages 3-12 & up with family); 60 minutes Saturday, June 20, 1:00 p.m.

REPTILES: DIVERSITY IN SCALES

Examine the diversity in, and behavior of the Reptile class with Richard Anderson from the Snyder foundation for Animals. Explore human activity and its consequences. Participants may have the opportunity to touch some of the specimens. Ages 5 & up; 60 minutes.

Monday, June 22, 2:00 p.m.

BOLLYWOOD DANCE CRAFT

Enjoy the sounds of Bollywood and make a traditional folk dance "Dandiya" stick to take home. Ages 8-12; 60 minutes.

Tuesday, June 23, 7:00 p.m.

MAGIC TREE HOUSE: HEROICS WITH HOUDINI

Travel with Jack and Annie to meet the amazing escape artist, Harry Houdini, explore the science of illusion, and learn some magic tricks yourself!
Ages 6-10; 45 minutes

Saturday, June 27, 3 p.m. & Monday, June 29, 11:00 a.m.