Week of 4/25/22

Dear HSES Families,

Please enjoy this week's edition of the Hollifield Herald. Be safe and well! Important topics include:

- Important Dates
- Kindergarten Visits for Upcoming 22-23 Kindergarteners
- 4th Grade Seminars
- Strings Concert
- Walking Wednesdays
- MCAP Testing
- Night of Belonging Success!!!
- PTA News

Important Dates

4/20	Walking School Bus - Walking Wednesdays return!!! (More information below.)
4/27	School Closes 3 Hours Early - 12:15 p.m. dismissal
4/27	HSES 3rd, 4 th and 5 th grade Orchestra Concert 7pm at HSES (More information below.)
4/28	Arbor Day Celebration 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Partnership - Patapsco Heritage Greenway - Tree Restoration Day
5/2	Schools Closed – Staff Professional Day
5/3	PTA Sponsored Assemblies

5/4	Spring Portraits
5/12	Middle School Visits
5/18	1:00-2:00 - Kindergarten Visitation (for 22-23 kindergarten students). (More information below)
5/18	School Closes 3 Hours Early - 12:15 p.m. dismissal
5/23	Field Day
5/18	HSES 4 th and 5 th grade Band and Chorus Concert 7pm at HSES
5/30	Schools Closed - Memorial Day
6/2	Simulated Congressional Hearing (Virtual)

Howl Outs - Link to send a howl out to our staff: <u>https://forms.gle/zdK5a9RTai2VS47q6</u>

Amazon HSES Wish List - NEW requests each week!

Our staff members are really using this platform to share what they need. Check it out and know that it is appreciated by each and every one of them! AND it benefits students! Check out the Amazon HSES Wish List <u>HERE</u>

Kindergarten Visits - For our Kindergarten students coming School Year 22-23

This will give you and your child an opportunity to tour the school, visit with a kindergarten classroom and meet current kindergarten teachers.

4th Grade G/T Seminars - 4th Quarter

ALL 4th graders are invited to participate for the final G/T Seminars for the year. For more information, click<u>HERE.</u>

Strings Concert - This Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.!

The Strings Spring Concert will be held at HSES on Wednesday April 27th at 7PM. There will be performances by the 3rd grade strings, 4th grade orchestra, and 5th grade orchestra. As a reminder, all performers should arrive at HSES at 6:30PM.

Walking Wednesdays are Back!!!!

Students that live next to or adjacent to Hollifield Station Elementary School will be encouraged to walk or ride a bike to school starting on Wednesday, April 20th.

Ms. Speelman will meet the students at the playground area in the Patapsco Estates neighborhood at **8:10 am**. The students will form a walking school bus.

Mr. Murphy will meet the students from the Stonehouse neighborhood at the corner of Stonehouse Drive and Carol Wind Drive at **8:10 am.** The students will also form a walking school bus.

Teachers will always wear an orange vest!

The Walking School Bus will be on **Wednesdays ONLY!** We encourage the students to walk every day when the weather permits.

We also encourage parents to join the walking school bus. We love having you on board!!!

Walking Wednesdays will be on the following dates:

April 20 and 27 May 4, 11, 18, 25 June 1, 8, 15

Let's reduce our carbon footprint!

Walk or ride your bike instead of taking a car everywhere. Even a 2-mile car trip puts 2 pounds of CO₂ into the atmosphere! If you must ride, carpool.

MCAP Testing

Students in grades 3, 4, and 5 will participate in the Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program for English Language Arts and Math. Please review the dates below and make sure your child attends school on-time these days. To avoid having your child make up the test on a later date, please do not schedule appointments during your child's testing date/time. Make-up testing will be completed for students who are sick on their day of testing. MCAP Math is May 9-13 MCAP Reading is May 16-20

Night of Belonging - Great Success!

On April 21st, Hollfield Station hosted our first annual Night of Belonging, and it was a huge success thanks to our staff (leader - Mrs. Brengle), our students and the support of our PTA. Families were able to "visit" the countries that students researched, share in a "taste" of many countries' food traditions and enjoy the beautiful traditional performances. The school community came together, shared smiles and engaged at such a high level! Please enjoy some pictures from this very special evening.

















*Reminder, all previous Hollifield Herald Newsletters can be found on our website. <u>https://hses.hcpss.org/</u>



PTA Updates

Order next year's school supplies now!

We know it's hard to think about school supply shopping for next year, but our School Supply Store will help make that easier!1st Day School Supplies is going to help parents and teachers get the exact supplies needed for next school year without the hassle of having to go to the store. The supply lists for each grade have already been reviewed and approved by HSES staff, and are ready for purchasing! Here is how it works:

1. Click the link below to go to the Hollifield Station School Supply store.

http://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/kits.php?sid=46870

2. Find the grade you are interested in, and click "Select this kit."

3. A new window opens showing all of the items that will be included in the kit. Click "Confirm & Continue."

4. Enter in your student's information, your information, and choose a color scheme for your student. Continue clicking through to "Confirm and add to cart." Before checking out, you have the option to add additional kits for HSES or to donate a kit.

5. Complete your purchase, and that's it! Shipping to your home is FREE, and the kits will arrive at least two weeks before the first day of school. The last day to order is June 30, 2022.

A small portion of each kit will be donated to the HGSES PTA to assist in purchasing supplies for students in need. If you have any questions, please contact HSESFundraising@gmail.com.

Join us for an Orioles Game:

We have changed the date of the Orioles game!

We will see the Orioles play the Tampa Bay Rays on 5/22. Pricing is the same and kids will still be able to run around the bases after the game. Please complete the survey if you would like to join us (if you've already completed the survey for the initial date you do not have to fill it out again).

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdEWqkLVDXWf2ncKVFQ8BWMQLEKGfV hj4DgF6KIsFsqAbubjA/viewform?usp=sf_link

Thanks for your support:

The HSES PTA would like to thank all of our parents, students, and staff for their hard work supporting HSES PTA this year! So far, we have had several very successful events:

- The Read-A-Thon, where we earned an astounding \$16,040!
- Restaurant Night at The Charmery, earning \$150
- Restaurant Night at White Oak Tavern, earning \$350
- Restaurant Night at Ernesto's. earning \$400

Additionally, the HSES PTA would like to give a <u>very</u> special thanks to Ledo Pizza Ellicott City for their very generous donation of 30 large cheese pizzas to help our classes with the most minutes read per grade celebrate their achievements. Thank you!

Arbor Day

We are very excited to announce that Hollifield Station Green Team (led by parent and teacher volunteers) will be hosting an Arbor Day Tree Maintenance event on April 28th (The rain date for the event is April 29th)

All times for the activity are during recess so that the activity doesn't impact instruction.

Parents will help assist teachers, students, and Patapsco Heritage Greenway staff with tree maintenance on the school grounds. Please bring gloves, wear long pants, and long sleeves.

If you would like to volunteer, for a full program, please go ahead and choose all time slots. We appreciate your help!!

Green Team: Arbor Day/Tree Maintenance Parent Volunteers Needed (signupgenius.com)

PTA Assembly Information



SK8 4 Life shows students through an interactive and exciting skateboard presentation the benefits of developing and maintaining a healthy lifestyle.





PROGRAM SUMMARY

Max. Audience Size: 200+

· Rest and nutrition Raising the bar
Achieving goals
Building community spirit

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