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Important Dates

January

- 1/20 End of Marking Period
All Schools Close 3 hours early
No Pre-K /RECC
- 1/23 Professional Work Day
Schools Closed for Students
- 1/24 Market Day Pick Up
Chorus Concert Snow Date
- 1/25 Spelling Bee, 3rd, 4th & 5th Grade 2:30p.m.
- 1/26 Board of Ed Meeting, 4:00 & 7:30 p.m.
- 1/30 Report Cards Issued

February

- 2/8 3rd & 4th Grade GT Testing
- 2/9 Board of Ed Meeting 4:00 & 7:30 p.m.
- 2/10 PTA International Night 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- 2/12 Board of Ed Meeting 4 & 7:30 p.m.
- 2/15 Parent/Teacher Conferences /No RECC or Pre-K
Elem & Middle Schools close 3 hrs. early
- 2/16 Parent/Teacher Conferences /No RECC or Pre-K
All schools close 3 hrs. early
- 2/17 Parent/Teacher Conferences
All schools closed for students
- 2/20 Presidents' Day
Schools and Offices Closed
- 2/21 Market Day Pick Up
PTA Chick-fil-A Fundraiser, 5 to 8 p.m.
- 2/22 GT Testing Snow Date
- 2/23 Board of Ed Meeting 4:00 & 7:30 p.m.
- 2/24 PTA International Night Snow Date
- 2/27 - 3/2 Kindergarten & New Student Registration
- 2/28 PTA Meeting 6:00 p.m.
- 2/29 Interim progress reports issued

In the event of a student's late arrival:

A student is considered “late” when arriving anytime after 9:25 a.m. **If a student should arrive late to school, he/she must be accompanied by a parent/guardian to the Front Office to be signed in to school.** If a student arrives 2 hours late it is marked as a half-day absence. If a student leaves 2 hours early it is marked as a half-day absence.

Please remember that carpoolers should not arrive before 9:10 a.m. Students are not permitted inside until the bell rings at 9:15 a.m., even on cold or rainy days.

GT Corner:

Please remember that G/T testing for 3rd and 4th grades will take place on Wednesday, February 8, 2012. The test will begin promptly at 9:45 AM so be sure your student arrives to school on time and please do not schedule any appointments outside of school for that morning. The snow date for this test will be Wednesday, February 22nd.

The Howard County Public School System GT office will mail 5th grade GT testing results home sometime in February.

Mark your calendars for the **Fulton Finery on Thursday, May 24, 2012.** This will be an early evening event where all of Fulton's students get a chance to showcase their excellent work.

Standardized Testing Dates for Fulton in 2011-12:

- **MSA Reading: Grades 3, 4 & 5 - March 13 and 14, 2012**
- **MSA Math: Grades 3, 4, & 5 - March 20 and 21, 2012**
- **SAT 10: Grade 2 only – April 23, 24 & 25, 2012**

The above tests are in the morning only.

Please do not schedule doctor appointments or vacations on any of the above dates. It is important that students are present and **ON TIME FOR SCHOOL** on testing dates.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2012-2013

Do you have a child who will be 5 years old by September 1, 2012? If so, please join us for an information session about Howard County Public School Kindergarten. For dates and times, call 410-313-5693, find us on Facebook or visit us at www.hcpss.org/schools/kindergarten.shtml.

MORNING PHONE CALLS: Since teachers are usually in meetings or preparing for their day a **message will be taken for all phone calls received in the front office in the a.m. before the start of school.** Teachers are not available for phone calls and conferences during their lunchtime. Please leave a note with the front office secretaries if you wish to speak to a teacher.

Technology Volunteers Wanted: If you are interested in working with students in Technology class with Mrs. Alonso-Hughes, please follow the link below to sign up on Volunteer Spot. Volunteers are needed on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1:45 until 2:45. <http://www.volunteerspot.com/login/entry/962345634767482092>

From the Yearbook Committee: The 2011-2012 school yearbook is on sale now. The price is \$25.00 for a Standard Yearbook and \$29.00 for a Personalized Yearbook.

Your Photos In The Yearbook! If you have any photos to be considered for the yearbook please go to community.lifetouch.com to upload your photos by February 1, 2012. Enter code GBYMOH.

First In Math: Has your child logged into First in Math at home? Go to www.firstinmath.com. Every student in K-5 has a unique username and password. It should be stapled in their H.W. assignment book or take home folder. Every Thursday, a player of the day for the school and each class' player of the day is announced. Remind your child to earn as many virtual stickers they can for their team.

Banking News:

Sandy Spring Bank will be **Wednesdays** this year, so listen to the reminders the day before to bring your deposit to the bank during Morning Meeting time.