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News from the Media Center

All 5th grade classes have learned about the Battle of the Books! This exciting partnership with the Howard County Public Library and Howard County Public Schools promotes reading, teamwork, vocabulary and good sportsmanship.

Teams of five students and one adult coach each read the same 12 pre-determined books. Selected by HCLS instructors and HCPSS media specialists, titles include a wide range of reading levels and subjects. Thanks to generous sponsors, all teams receive a set of books. In addition, copies of each year's titles are available for borrowing at the Howard County Library System.

There are informational meetings offered on **October 14, 2019 and October 19, 2019 at 7pm at HCLS Miller Branch**. Additional dates and information have been sent home in Thursday folders. The Media staff can also answer any questions you might have. If you are interested in coaching a team please contact Mrs. Cerand (icerand@hcpss.org) or Mrs. Fischer (margaret_fischer@hcpss.org) so they can support your enrollment in this great program.

More information can be found by visiting.
<http://hclibrary.org/a-students-teachers/battle-of-the-books/>

Flu Clinic Volunteers Needed

The Health Room is in need to assist and support the staff during the flu clinic on October 17, 2019. Volunteers will escort students to and from their classrooms and provide additional support to the health team.

If you can volunteer please sign up at this link:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10CoE45ACAD2FA5FF2-fluclinic>

Important Dates

September	30	Rosh Hashanah – Schools & Offices Closed
October	8	PTA Spirit Day at Kloby's
	9	Yom Kippur Schools & Offices Closed
	11	Fall Festival, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
	17	Flu Clinic
	18	Professional Work Day Schools Closed for Students
	24	Hearing & Vision Screening PTA Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Media Center
27-11/1		Book Fair
30		Late Night Book Fair, 5:30-8:00 p.m.

NEWS FROM THE HEALTH ROOM WELCOME BACK FULTON FAMILIES

FLU CLINIC

This year our FLU CLINIC WILL BE ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17. The consent forms went out this Wednesday, September 11 with your child. Check backpacks for the form.

If you have not turned in a consent form and would like your child to receive the flu shot, you can still complete the form and turn it in to the health room. Online consents can be completed until October 4. The website is:

www.vaccineconsent.com. If you have any questions, please either call the health room at 410-880-5966 or email at: laura_ruiz@hcpss.org.

CHANGE OF CLOTHES

Reminder: If you have not already placed a change of seasonal appropriate clothes in a zip locked bag, please do so. Children have already needed to change clothes because of bloody noses, bathroom accidents, and food spillage.

STUDENT INJURIES

If your child is injured, and has any physical restrictions, please notify the health room immediately. Doctor notes are **required** for any injury needing more than 3 school days. If a student is on crutches, or uses a walker of any kind, an evacuation emergency plan will be done by the school nurse. If you are not sure of any injury, please contact the health room.

Socktober!

Did you know socks are one of the most needed and least donated items to homeless shelters? Winter is coming! Everyone needs warm socks!

Fulton Elementary is collecting socks for the homeless in 'Socktober'!

Donations of new socks of all sizes are greatly appreciated! Socks will be collected from October 1st until October 31st, in a box in each grade level's pod area.

Most needed kinds of socks are adult sizes, and the thicker the better.

Donations will be given to St. Vincent de Paul of Baltimore on November 1st. Thank you for helping others!

How To Volunteer at Fulton Elementary

Thank you for your interest in being a volunteer this year at Fulton Elementary School. Your involvement helps nurture our school community, and the help you provide will be an essential support to the success of our students and staff. Please do not hesitate to ask the staff or administration if there is something we can help you with.

In order to volunteer at Fulton, please complete the following trainings:

Maryland Child Abuse State Law and HCPSS Policy 1030

http://www.hcpss.org/f/employees/childabuse_ppt.pdf

Child Abuse Awareness Training Certificate

http://www.hcpss.org/f/parents/abuse_certificate.pdf

Confidentiality Training

<http://www.hcpss.org/parents/volunteer-information/>

Confidentiality Training Certificate

<https://www.hcpss.org/f/parents/parent-volunteer-confidentiality-certificate.pdf>

Child Abuse Awareness and Confidentiality certificates must be on file in the school office before you may chaperone for field trips or volunteer in the school. Once you have completed all three trainings, you will be able to register to volunteer.

2nd Grade News

Team Two is busy working on Daily 5 routines. We are in the process of building our stamina in the areas of Read to self, Work on Writing and Word Work. Ask your child about his/her favorite Daily 5 activities thus far! We are community experts! Ask your child what they have been learning during Content Time. Your child is enjoying "Being a Writer". Did you know that making a list or creating a sketch can help you with writing ideas? We do! Thank you to all who came out to support our Back to School Night. It was wonderful to spend the evening with you talking about all the great things going on in second grade! #writingisawesome #daily5 #stamina

Strike Up the Band!

Now is the time for orchestra and band sign-ups! 3rd, 4th and 5th grade parents wishing to enroll their children in orchestra or band may do so here:

www.mrtwiggmusic.weebly.com

Click the link for your child's grade and ensemble.

Contact Mr. Twigg with questions

richard.twigg@hcpss.org

Community News and Programs

Please follow this link to see what's going on in your neighborhood. Visit the HCPSS website for announcements of upcoming events and programs sponsored by non-profit organizations or follow this link <http://www.hcpss.org/community-news-and-programs/>

PTA News

Check out the latest PTA newsletter at:

<http://www.fespta.org/>

Don't Skip Breakfast!

A take and go breakfast is available for all students every morning!

Cereal, cereal bars, hot items, fruit, milk & juice are available!

Cost: \$2.00

Friday, October 11, 2019

6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

See details on the last page of this newsletter!





September/October Lessons with the counselor:

In kindergarten, we discussed feelings and how it is important to share our feelings. We feel better when we share our feelings and people understand us better. We identified different feelings and times we feel that way.

In 1st grade, we discussed the difference between tattling vs. telling with a story called *Don't Squeal Unless It's a Big Deal*. In Health, first grade reads *A Bad Case of The Tattle Tongue*. The tattle rules are:

- #1 Be a Danger Ranger
- #2 Be A Problem Solver
- #3 Now or Later?
- #4 MYOB Mind your Own Beeswax

In 2nd grade, students learned the DEBUG steps when someone is bothering, bugging, or bullying them. They listened to the story *Becky's Buggy Day*. Afterwards, the students practiced which strategy they would use in a given situation.

D-decide to ignore

E-exit and walk away

B-be friendly

U-use firm words

G-get adult help

3rd graders reviewed the 3 key players in a bullying situation (Target, Bully, Bystander) and what bullying really entails vs. a typical conflict.

P-purposeful

I-imbalance of power

C-continual

Students then listened to a book, *Nobody Knew What to Do*, and received ways to stay bully free. Students promised to be active bystanders and stand up to bullies!

Fourth graders read and discussed the story "Mr. Peabody's Apples". We discussed the power of our words, gossip, and how powerful words can be used when solving conflicts. We practiced giving and receiving compliments and the students wrote a compliment to a classmate on a paper feather.

October is Anti-Bullying Awareness Month. Fifth grade students learned about indirect bullying and were able to share when they have heard indirect bullying in school or out in the community. Students listened to a story, *Just Kidding*, and learned about ways students can be affected by indirect bullying.

The Bullybusters finished up lunch bunches with all of the students who are new to Fulton! It was nice to see all of the new faces!



Fulton Fall Festival

Friday, October 11th, 2019 6:00-8:30 PM

The 2019 Fulton Fall Festival is sponsored by the PTA and is a wonderful event for the entire family. The evening features a Huge Inflatable Slide and Obstacle Course. Plus Exciting Stations including Carnival Games, Cake Walk, Sandy Candy, Great Food provided by Food Trucks, Kona Ice and More! Proceeds benefit the PTA!

Now is your chance to save money and purchase "All Access" Wrist bands in advance and AVOID standing in line the day of the festival! Simply fill out the form below and have your child bring it in with the payment (cash or check payable to Fulton PTA) in a sealed envelope marked Fall Festival. You will receive the wrist bands via your child's backpack within a few days. The last day to send in pre-event orders is Tuesday, October 8th.

This event will be held rain or shine. If the weather is good it will be in the Fulton Elementary bus lot. If we get rain the night of the event, it will be held inside the school.

New Advance Festival Pricing:

(Best Deal) \$14 wrist band (\$15 Day of Event) This Wrist Band includes **UNLIMITED** use of the inflatables/Games and **ONE VISIT** to **ALL Fall Fest Stations** including Pumpkin Decorating, Fall Fest Tattoos, Sandy Candy and Cake Walk.

For more visits to the Fall Fest Stations, additional tickets can be purchased the day of the event.

*****Single Tickets will ONLY BE SOLD at FALL FEST ONLY, No Advance Ticket Sales are available.**

Tickets can be purchased for 4/\$1.00 at Event Only.

All Inflatables, Games and Fall Fest Stations will require tickets. Tickets do not include any food items.

❖ *Plan to Have Dinner at the Festival! There will be Food Trucks on-site with a selection of delicious food at reasonable prices! Please stay with your children at all times. No rollerblades, skateboards, scooters, Heelys or bikes are permitted.*

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are a big part of the success of Fulton's Fall Festival. PLEASE consider volunteering for a 45 minute block to help us! We need help with set-up, clean-up, games, pumpkin decorating, Cake Walk, Cake Walk Baked Good Donations (Store Bought Only), Sandy Candy and ticket sales, Please go to our Sign Up Genius link at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COD4CAEAB2FA5FA7-fultons1> to sign up today. Thank you in advance for your help!

All Access Wristband Pre-sale Order

Student Name _____ Grade _____ Teacher _____

Number of wristbands \$14 each (\$15 day of event) _____ Total Order \$ _____