

# MANOR WOODS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

11575 Frederick Road, Ellicott City, MD 21042

**March 20, 2017**

## **CALENDAR**

March 20	PTA Meeting (7:00 p.m.)
March 22 & 23	Kindergarten Field Trip to Miller Library (3 classes each day) (9:30 a.m.)
March 23	Grade 4 – Art Field Trip to National Portrait Gallery and the Smithsonian
March 24	School Spirit Day: Art Appreciation – express yourself through Art!
March 24	Grade 4 Conservancy Presentation (1:00 p.m.) at MWES
March 27 – April 3	“Change Matters” (kickoff March 27 <sup>th</sup> during lunch shifts)
March 30 – April 7	MWES/Scholastic Book Fair (Media Center)
March 31	Junior Achievement Day
April 5	Grade 4 – Field Trip to Annapolis
April 5	MWES/Scholastic Book Fair Night (Media Center 3:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.)
April 6 or April 7	Quarterly PBIS Celebration
April 7	School closes at 12:15 p.m.
April 10 – April 17	Spring Break – schools closed
April 21	School Spirit Day: wear school colors teal and maroon

## **SCHOOL NEWS (new or updated items in blue)**

**ART APPRECIATION SPIRIT DAY FRIDAY, MARCH 24:** Show your school spirit by expressing yourself through the use of color, patterns, or themes. **Express your artistic creativity and have fun!**

**CHANGE MATTERS IS COMING TO MANOR WOODS MARCH 27-APRIL 3!** Grassroots is Howard County's only homeless shelter. Students can help the homeless by contributing small change to the **CHANGE MATTERS campaign, March 27 - Apr. 3.** We will begin the week with a presentation by Kim Steffens, a Change Matters representative, during lunch shifts. Donation containers will be located in each pod throughout the week. Your small change will be used to improve the lives of homeless children and families that stay at Grassroots. Please consider contributing to this very important cause. Thank you!

**THE MWES/SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS COMING!!!** Mark your calendars because the **Scholastic Book Fair** is coming to Manor Woods Elementary from **March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. Students will browse the Fair during their media class and make a wish list of titles that they find interesting.

Our **Family Event** will be held on Wednesday, **April 5<sup>th</sup> from 3:30 – 7:00 pm** to give everyone a chance to come as a family and see all of the wonderful items for sale. Volunteers are needed to help fill student orders and help students with their wish lists. If you are interested in being a volunteer, please email Lisa Flynn ([lisa\\_flynn@hcpss.org](mailto:lisa_flynn@hcpss.org)) and we will sign you up!!! If you are unable to attend our book fair, you can order titles online!

Visit our book fair website: <http://www.scholastic.com/bf/manorwoodselemschool>.

**MWES JA IN A DAY - MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>!** Junior Achievement Day (JA Day) is unique in-classroom event that encompasses important elements of community and economy, financial literacy and entrepreneurship. The event helps students discern between needs and wants, understand expenses and banking, and why businesses and jobs are important to our community. Several classes are still in need of volunteers to make this event a success! Training and support will be provided. Please consider volunteering for this important day so that our young students will be better equipped to make sound financial decisions in the future.

### **Volunteers are still needed in the following classrooms:**

- Kindergarten: Mrs. Ables' classroom
- First Grade: Ms. Lozopone's classroom
- Second Grade: Mr. Seiger's, Mrs. Keelan's, and Mrs. Erbe's classrooms
- Fourth Grade: Mrs. Sorkin's and Mrs. Wilson's classrooms
- Fifth Grade: Mrs. Lewis' and Mrs. Livak's classrooms

**If you are able to volunteer please email your name, contact phone number, and your child's grade and teacher to Ms. Holocker at [allison\\_holocker@hcpss.org](mailto:allison_holocker@hcpss.org).** This is a great opportunity to engage in the classroom in a very meaningful way and we hope that you will join us! Thank you!

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**MWES YEARBOOKS:** Just a reminder, school yearbooks can be purchased until March 31st. This year, we are using a new company and our due date is earlier than in previous years. We also started promoting the yearbook much earlier this year. The yearbook is \$20 and each student has the opportunity to personalize two pages that will only show up in his/her yearbook. To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook\*: (\*Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.) Go to [www.TreeRing.com/validate](http://www.TreeRing.com/validate). Enter our school's passcode: 1014749226162236. (Flyer at end of newsletter)

**KINDERGARTEN and NEW 1<sup>st</sup> GRADE REGISTRATION FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR:** **Registration is ongoing!** Please stop in or phone the school office at 410-313-7165 to schedule an appointment. Additional information about the registration process may be found on the Howard County Public Schools website at <http://www.hcpss.org/schools/kindergarten-registration/>.

**LEARNING TOGETHER PROGRAM – PRE-KINDERGARTEN:** The Waverly Regional Early Childhood Center (RECC) preschool program is currently accepting applications for the 2017-2018 school year. Parents of children who will be 3 by September 1 or 4 years of age by September 1 may pick up an application package in the WES school office. The application is due by Friday, March 31, 2017. Please contact Andrea Whitehead at (410) 313-2819 or [andrea\\_whitehead@hcpss.org](mailto:andrea_whitehead@hcpss.org) with any questions.

**VISION AND HEARING SCREENING:** Screening will be held for grades K-1st on Tuesday, April 25th. Please be certain your child wears his or her glasses on the screening day. Re-screening will be held Tuesday, May 2, 2017. **If you are interested in volunteering for our Vision and Hearing Screening on April 25th, please contact Lynnette Winde in the Health Room at (410) 313-8326 or email: [lynnette\\_winde@hcpss.org](mailto:lynnette_winde@hcpss.org).**

**TREX RECYCLING PROGRAM AT MWES:** Update!! 605 pounds of plastic have passed through our collection boxes on their way to becoming Trex decking materials. Awesome!! Keep the plastic coming, the collection ends in April. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Sorkin at [alison\\_sorkin@hcpss.org](mailto:alison_sorkin@hcpss.org).

**CRAYOLA COLORCYCLE:** As part of our Green School Program, Manor Woods is participating in the Crayola Colorcycle program again this school year. Students can drop off their old, dried up markers in the yellow boxes located in each grade level pod. The markers will be repurposed by Crayola. For more info.: visit <http://www.crayola.com/colorcycle.aspx>.

**FOOD PANTRY FRIDAYS:** We will continue to collect non-perishable food throughout the school year. Donations will go to the Howard County Food Bank for residents in need. 5th grade Student Leaders box the food and prepare it for pick up. Thank you to everyone who has donated food this school year. Your generosity is appreciated!

**2017-2018 SCHOOL CALENDAR:** The 2017-2018 school calendar has been approved by the Board of Education. The first day of school will be Tuesday, September 5. You can find the complete calendar at <http://www.hcpss.org/calendar/>. Scroll down to "Print-friendly Calendars" and select "Approved 2017-2018 Calendar".

**HCPSS SPECIAL EDUCATION AND EARLY INTERVENTION FAMILY RESOURCES FAIR:** Save the Date! Saturday May 6, 2017, 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Cedar Lane School, 11630 Scaggsville Road, Fulton, MD 20759 Get connected to: services, equipment; resources and tools available in the community and HCPSS; wellness and health-related activities and information; physical therapy and adapted PE activities and programs; camps and activities for kids with special needs; information about speech, hearing, vision, developmental and social disabilities; enjoy learning games, fun activities, and more! Local service providers are invited to participate. Sign up at: <http://hcpssne.ws/resr-fair-reg-17>.

**G/T SUMMER INSTITUTES:** The G/T Summer Institutes provide interested students with advanced-level instruction and enrichment experiences not regularly available during the academic school year. The curriculum is focused on talent development and provides academically and artistically rigorous activities. Teaching strategies represent best practices in the fields of gifted and talented and arts education. The deadline for registration is May 1, 2017. The G/T Summer Institutes for Talent Development brochure and registration forms are available at <http://www.hcpss.org/summer-programs/>.

## **PTA NEWS**

***Please see the PTA website [www.mwespta.org](http://www.mwespta.org) for details and additional news.***

**NEXT PTA MEETING:** March 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

**COMING SOON! WHEELER FARM "CSA FOR PTA" PROGRAM:** CSAs allow you to buy fresh local produce grown right here in Maryland! Members purchase a season's share and receive a weekly box of the freshest harvest during the local growing season. The program runs for 20 weeks: May 22nd - Oct 13<sup>th</sup> with no delivery July 4th week. Look for information to come home next Friday. Questions? Contact Jen Shea [mwesptavpl@gmail.com](mailto:mwesptavpl@gmail.com).

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**BJ'S QUARTERLY DISCOUNTS FOR RENEWING OR APPLYING (FOR) MEMBERSHIP:** Renew or sign up through the PTA and receive a DISCOUNT – \$15 off the \$50 annual membership fee or \$25 off the \$100 Rewards membership fee, PLUS 1 additional month FREE! Applications are available on the PTA web site, [www.mwespta.org](http://www.mwespta.org).

**CALLING ALL VENDORS!** The PTA is looking for Manor Woods family members who may be interested in selling their wares at the "Fun Day Market" at the annual Manor Woods Fun Day event on May 12, 2017. "Buy" a table for \$75 and sell your items to a captive audience of Manor Woods parents and children. Thirty One, Pampered Chef, Lularoe, or other wares are welcome! For more information, contact Jen Gallagher at [JPerry1228@gmail.com](mailto:JPerry1228@gmail.com).

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

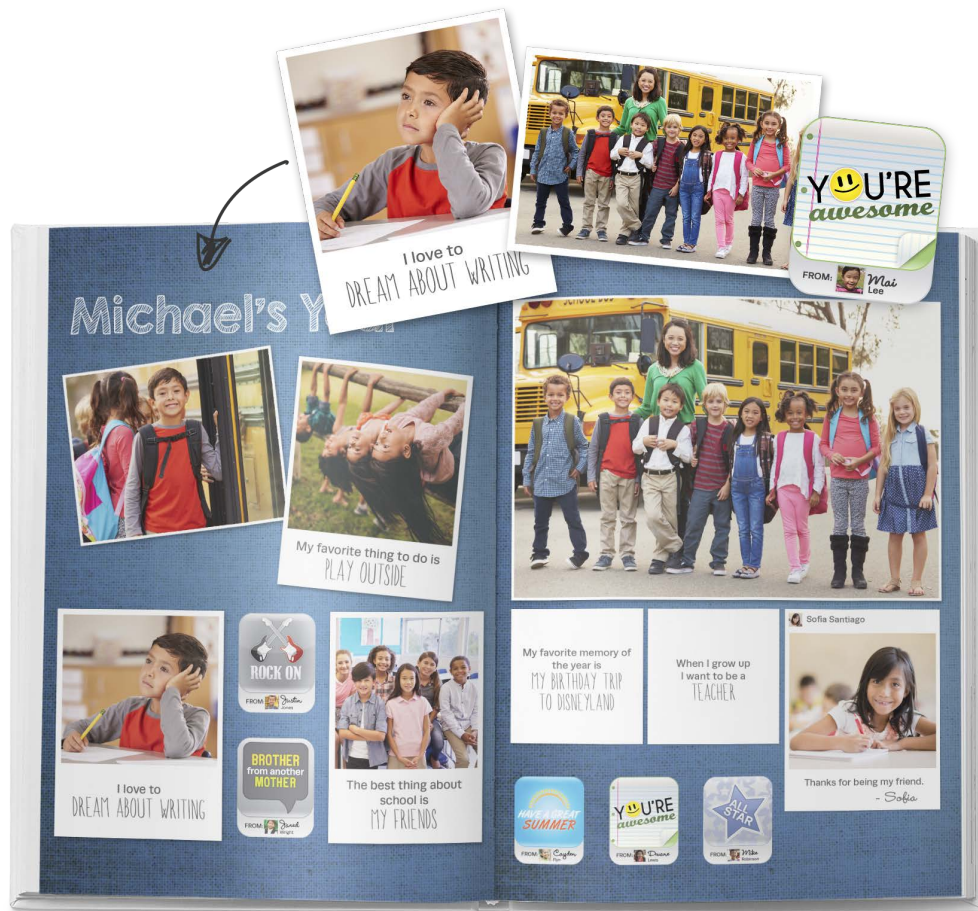
***Please visit the Community News and Programs page (<http://www.hcps.org/community-news-and-programs/>) on the HCPSS website for additional announcements of upcoming events and programs sponsored by non-profit organizations.***

**BUILDING RESILIENCE: A WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS ON HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S EMOTIONAL AND MENTAL HEALTH:** Parents, grandparents, and community members, mark your calendars for a FREE workshop entitled "Building Resilience" to be held on Thursday, **March 30** at the Wilde Lake Interfaith Center from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Join local health professionals and community agencies for this incredible workshop for parents! The guest speaker will be child psychiatrist, Dr. Jeff Bostic. Learn how youth and adolescents experience stress within today's culture and how to use resilience to support your child's social and emotional health and development. Attendees will receive mental health resources currently available within Howard County. To register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/building-resilience-parent-workshop-tickets-32158129832#tickets> For more information, contact Dr. Jackie Dougé at [jdouge@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:jdouge@howardcountymd.gov) or 410-313-7569.

**MARRIOTT'S RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTERS SUMMER CAMP:** MRHS Boosters sponsored summer camps with MRHS Athletic Coaches and Fine Arts Teachers take place each summer. We offer a complete selection of Sports and Music/Fine Arts Camps to choose from for students in 1st-12<sup>th</sup> grades. In addition to all our traditional sports and music camps, NEW THIS YEAR, we are offering Let's Get Cooking Culinary Camp and a Multi-sport camp. MRHS offers the ideal atmosphere for an exceptional summer camp experience with exposure to MRHS facilities and excellent staff. Most camps run for 5 days with weekly sessions beginning June 9<sup>th</sup> and ending the week of July 31<sup>st</sup>. Early Bird Registration Special of \$140.00 a week ends 5/19/17 so sign up today to get the deal! To register and get more information including the camp descriptions and schedules, please go to the MRHS BOOSTERS web page [www.mrhs\\_boosters.com/summer-camps](http://www.mrhs_boosters.com/summer-camps) or for questions, email [summercamps@mrhs-boosters.com](mailto:summercamps@mrhs-boosters.com).

**MRHS MUSIC DEPARTMENT MATTRESS FUNDRAISER!** When: March 25, 2017. Where: Marriotts Ridge High School. Time: 10AM - 5PM. No pressure sale, please stop in and take a look if you are looking for a new mattress. The mobile showroom has over 20 mattress sets on display and up to 50% off retail prices. Support the Music Department of MRHS!

# Capture Your Memories in this Year's **Manor Woods Elementary School** Yearbook!



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- 1 Go to [www.TreeRing.com/validate](http://www.TreeRing.com/validate)
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