

# MANOR WOODS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

11575 Frederick Road, Ellicott City, MD 21042

Week of May 16, 2016

## CALENDAR

May 16	Grade 1 - Rose Hill Garden Field Trip (9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)
May 16	PTA Meeting (7:00 p.m.)
May 17	Evening of Excellence (MWES Cafeteria 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.)
May 19	Grade 4 - Annapolis Field Trip (8:45 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.)
May 20	Schools closed for Students - Professional Learning Day
May 23	Band Concert at <b>Manor Woods Elementary School</b> (7:00 p.m.)
May 26	Grade 2 – Field Trip to The Maryland Zoo
May 27	Field Day
May 30	School closed – Memorial Day
May 31	Rain Date for Field Day
June 1	Grade 5 Simulated Congressional Hearings (SCH) (10:00 a.m.)
June 7	Orchestra Concert at Marriotts Ridge High School (7:00 p.m.)
June 8	Grade 2 “Going Buggy” play, Picnic
June 9	Grade 5 Picnic
June 10	Grade 1 “Lovin’ Kindness” play (9:00 a.m.), Picnic
June 10	Grade 4 Picnic
June 13	Grade 3 Folktales Celebration, Picnic
June 14	Flag Day Celebration, Move Up Day
June 15	Kindergarten Program/Picnic
June 16	Grade 5 Closing Ceremony (10:00 a.m.)
	School closes 3 hours early (dismissal: 12:15 p.m.)
June 17	Last Day of School, school closes 3 hours early (dismissal: 12:15 p.m.)
June 17	Q4 Report Cards mailed home

## SCHOOL NEWS

New items are marked in blue.

**PARCC TESTING:** Students in grades 3 and 4 will be taking the PARCC assessment in English/Language Arts (4 sessions) and Mathematics (4 sessions) on the dates listed below. Each testing session is 60-90 minutes in length. All testing will take place in the mornings. While makeup testing will be possible, we would greatly appreciate if you are able to avoid scheduling appointments on any of these dates. Students do not need to do anything extra to prepare - a good night's sleep and a good breakfast will help set them up for success!

Grade 3: May 18, 19, 23, 24

Grade 4: May 16, 17, 25, 26, 31, June 1

**EVENING OF EXCELLENCE:** Come join us for The Evening of Excellence on May 17, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m in the Manor Woods Elementary cafeteria. Students who participated in a Curriculum Extension Unit, Instructional Seminar or GT Math program will have work on display and are eager to share what they've learned. Additionally, you will be serenaded by some of our very talented orchestra students. Come out and see what we've been doing all year!

**FIELD DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Field Day will be on Friday, May 27th. We are looking to have as many parents help us as possible. This year, volunteers will be responsible for an activity station during each grade's rotation. Directions will be provided to help volunteers facilitate the stations. If you are available to help us on the 27th, please go to the following link to sign up: [HTTP://WWW.TINYURL.COM/MWES-FD16](http://www.tinyurl.com/MWES-FD16). **We are also in need of 3 oz. sized paper/plastic cups for Field Day water stations. If you would like to donate a package please send in to your child's homeroom teacher. Much appreciated!** Thanks for your help and we look forward to seeing you on May 27<sup>th</sup>.

## **SCHOOL NEWS**

**ORIOLE TICKET VOUCHERS!** Need a great gift idea or a few hours of family fun? Manor Woods Elementary is selling vouchers to see the Orioles! Vouchers may be purchased to be used on select dates. You simply exchange the voucher for tickets at the Oriole's Box Office. Choose a game so it fits everyone's schedule, you don't have to commit in advance. The price is perfect at just \$15! Even better, our school earns \$5 per ticket to put towards staff professional development/appreciation. Tickets will be on sale from April 25th to June 10th. Payment can be sent to your child's teacher by cash or check made payable to Manor Woods Elementary. We will send vouchers home in sealed envelopes with your student. (flyer attached)

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**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR ONGOING:** Families of children who will be five years old by September 1, 2016 are urged to register for Kindergarten for the 2016-2017 school year. Staffing for next school year is based on the number of registered Kindergarten students. To make an appointment for registration phone the office at 410-313-7165 or stop in between the hours of 9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. For a complete list of the documents needed for registration please visit <http://www.hcpss.org/schools/kindergarten-registration/>. We look forward to seeing you.

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL IS FRIDAY, JUNE 17:** The Maryland State Department of Education has approved HCPSS's request to waive one inclement weather day for the current academic year. The last day of school for students and teachers will be Friday, June 17, 2016. High schools will close 3 hours early on June 15. All schools will close 3 hours early on June 16-17, and no half-day pre-K or RECC will be held on those two days.

**FOOD PANTRY:** Thank you for the donations of non-perishable food to our Food Pantry Fridays initiative. It's not too late to donate! We will continue to collect non-perishable food throughout the school year. Students may drop off donations in the shopping cart in the front lobby. Thank you again for your generous support.

**HCPSS 2016 SUMMER CLASSES AND CAMPS:** Catalogs are now available in the front lobby (bookcase). Students can catch up, get ahead, and learn something new by participating in a summer class or camp. For more information visit [www.hcpss.org/summer](http://www.hcpss.org/summer).

## **PTA**

Please see the following and additional information, links and flyers on the PTA website at [www.mwespta.org](http://www.mwespta.org).

**LAST PTA MEETING OF THE YEAR IS MONDAY, MAY 16<sup>TH</sup> @ 7 PM IN THE CAFETERIA.** The PTA NEEDS YOU! Come meet the new board & discuss the budget for next year.

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR SALE FOR 2016/17!** The PTA will be selling boxes with the required supplies for each grade for next school year. Sale will run May 18<sup>th</sup> – June 24th. Take the stress out of running all over town looking for the exact items & support MWES instead of Amazon! Stay tuned for more details.

**JOIN US ON FACEBOOK.** Manor Woods ES PTA is now **Manor Woods Families** on FACEBOOK. Now, everyone is welcome to post any school or community related activities.

**WE NEED YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PTA!** Please reach out to Jen McDonald, PTA Secretary ([mwesptarsec@gmail.com](mailto:mwesptarsec@gmail.com)), with the best form of communication for you. We want to connect with you!

**THE PTA COUNCIL OF HOWARD COUNTY (PTACHC) NOMINATING COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP:** The 2016-2017 Nominating Committee needs your suggestions of people who you think would be great candidates for PTACHC officer positions to serve at the County PTA level. If you would consider serving with PTACHC, please contact us as well! Email your suggestion(s) with the name of the suggested candidate, their phone number and/or email, and the PTA to which they belong to the nominating committee at [nominating@ptachc.org](mailto:nominating@ptachc.org) (Any nominations will be kept in the strictest of confidence.) Please visit [www.ptachc.org](http://www.ptachc.org) for more information.

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

*The following events are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Howard County Public School System.*

**GIRL SCOUTS REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN AND TROOPS ARE NOW BEING FORMED FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR.** All girls in grades K through 12 are welcome to join. Troop placement depends upon the availability of adult leadership. We are currently in need of leadership for the incoming Kindergarten Daisies. Please contact Tracy Hill at 410.531.2332 or via e-mail at [tracy.hill@mac.com](mailto:tracy.hill@mac.com) for more information on troop placement or becoming a volunteer in Girl Scouts. More information on Girl Scouts can be found at 1.800.492.2521 or [gscm.org](http://gscm.org).

**MARRIOTT'S RIDGE BOYS BASKETBALL CAMP 2016:** Please join us for the annual Marriotts Ridge Mustangs boys basketball camp on June 20-24 from 9am-12pm. Meet the coaches, compete in full court tournaments, skill development, 3-point contests, skills competition and more! To register please visit: <http://www.mrhs-boosters.com/summer-camps> . Coach Brady: [timothy\\_bradley@hcpss.org](mailto:timothy_bradley@hcpss.org).

**LET ME RUN!!** Manor Woods Elementary's first Let Me Run program Spring, 2016 was a great success!! If you are interested in this program for next year, Spring, 2017 (4th and 5th grade boys), or just want to learn more, please go to [www.letmerun.org](http://www.letmerun.org). I am looking for a volunteer assistant coach! Thanks! Coach Linda Mattes ([LindaRN78@yahoo.com](mailto:LindaRN78@yahoo.com))

**WATERCATS SUMMER SWIM TEAM - JOIN US IN THE POOL!** The Wilde Lake Watercats, of the Columbia Association Neighborhood Swim League, invite you to become a member of our summer swim team. Preseason practices begin on May 31 at Faulkner Ridge Pool. CA members and non-members are welcome to join. More information can be found at [www.columbiaassociation.org/facilities/pools/summer-swim-team-cns/](http://www.columbiaassociation.org/facilities/pools/summer-swim-team-cns/). or at [www.wlwatercats.org](http://www.wlwatercats.org). Contact us at [wlwatercats@gmail.com](mailto:wlwatercats@gmail.com) for additional information.

**GUMC FOOD PANTRY:** The Glenelg United Methodist Church (GUMC) Food Pantry is open every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month, providing grocery assistance to those in need. As a partner of the Howard County Food Bank, we provide both county food as well as food/toiletries from individual donations. GUMC is located at 13900 Burntwoods Rd., Glenelg. You may contact us for pantry questions or to make a donation at 410-489-7260 or [glenelgumcpantry@gmail.com](mailto:glenelgumcpantry@gmail.com).

**MUSICAL THEATRE SUMMER CAMP AT SLAYTON HOUSE THEATRE CAMP OF THE ARTS:** For more information about June 20<sup>th</sup> – August 5<sup>th</sup> camp dates please call 410-730-3987 or go to [www.campofthearts.com](http://www.campofthearts.com).

**CHS BOOSTERS AT CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL EAGLES LACROSSE CAMP FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 6-14:** June 20<sup>th</sup>-June 23<sup>rd</sup>: Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon. Instructional clinic for the beginner to the advanced athlete in a safe and fun environment at the elementary, middle and high school levels. Contact: Ken Senisi, phone (443) 668-6903 or email [Kenneth\\_senisi@hcpss.org](mailto:Kenneth_senisi@hcpss.org) for more information.

**COME OUT TO RESERVOIR HIGH SCHOOL (BOOSTERS) for RANKER'S SPORTS CAMP JULY 18-22.** The camp is designed for rising 3<sup>rd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> graders and features multiple sports everyday! Visit <http://rankerssportscamp.weebly.com>



# ORIOLES FLEX VOUCHER PROGRAM



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\$15!**

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Please fill out the below information and return it, in the attached envelope along with payment,  
to your child's homeroom teacher.

Parent or Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Purchase: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Customer's Name (If different than student): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Vouchers: \$15 x \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount of Vouchers Being Purchased: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Method (Cash or Check): \_\_\_\_\_