

# MWES News - Week of 12/3/18

## DECEMBER

**Now - December 18** - Howard County Food Bank Collection

**4** - CogAT Testing 10:05 am (Gr. 5) 1:05 pm (Gr. 3)

**5** - CogAT Testing 10:05 am (Gr. 5) 1:05 pm (Gr. 3)

**6** - CogAT Testing 10:05 am (Gr. 5) 1:05 pm (Gr. 3)

**7-14** - CogAT Makeups

**10-14** - 4th and 5th grade classroom spelling bees

**10-14** - 1st, 2nd, 3rd grade classroom spelling bees

**19** - Quarter 2 Interims sent home

### **Saying Goodbye to Mrs. Monique Summers**

We'd like to share with the community that Mrs. Summers will be leaving Manor Woods Elementary for a new adventure at Glenelg High School. Mrs. Summers has decided to make a change and move into a bookkeeper position at Glenelg. Mrs. Summers has been such an instrumental piece in all areas of Manor Woods. She began as a parent volunteer when both of her children attended Manor Woods and then was hired as a para-educator. Mrs. Summers has been the Principal's Secretary for 5 years. We will miss her humor, wit, and compassion towards others. If you see her, please wish her well. Her last day at MWES will be Wednesday, December 5th.

### **A NOTE FROM MRS. DEBORD & MRS. BIALESKI**

On behalf of the staff and students of Manor Wood Elementary School, I would personally like to thank the PTA for the well implemented Student-Involved Fundraiser that occurred a few weeks ago on a chilly morning in October!! Our students participated in the First Annual

Duck Dash to raise funds to purchase i-pads for use in the classrooms. Thanks to the hard-work of a determined group of PTA members, the students had the opportunity to exercise, raise money, and have a great time among friends and the MWES staff. The day was a huge success.

The PTA is such an important part of our school community and your children would not be able to participate in as many fun events throughout the year if it was not for the work of the PTA and their monetary donations. If you were a family that was able to contribute to the Duck Dash, we'd also like to thank you for your generous contributions. The generous giving of our families and community members provides us the opportunity to purchase approximately 30-ipads. These i-pads will be used to reinforce skills within the classroom, allow children to read independently, provide opportunities to access Dreambox, and many other academic programs. Adding more i-pads to our existing collection allows the opportunity to reinforce many ELA and math skills.

We would also like to thank the many corporate sponsors that made the Duck Dash possible. Again, we would like to thank our Manor Woods families for your contributions to the Duck Dash and a special thank you to the PTA for the donation of the i-pads. We truly value our partnership with the PTA and our community.

PS. If your child has not logged on to DREAMBOX, another donation from the PTA, please be sure to have your child log in and enjoy!!! DREAMBOX, if used daily, will strengthen your child's math skills.

Thank you,

Carol DeBord

Julia Bialeski

## **REPORTING ABSENCES**

Please use the following link to report your child's absence. Your child needs a note to return to school each time they are absent. Please be sure to state the reasons for their absence.

[MWESabsences@hcpss.org](mailto:MWESabsences@hcpss.org)

## **PICK UP AND DROP OFF REMINDER**

When picking up or dropping off your child before or after school, we encourage you to use the car-pool loop. If you choose to park in the lot to wait for your child in the pm, you **MUST** park in a designated spaces and walk to get greet them. They may not walk unaccompanied to your car. Also, please pull in the handicapped spot only if you have tags or a placard. We appreciate your help for the safety of our children.

## **FARMS PROGRAM**

The Free and Reduced-Priced Meals (FARMS) program provides access to an array of services for qualified families including free and reduced-priced breakfasts and lunches, free SAT and ACT registration, free tuition to take college courses at Howard Community.

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## **SCHOOL NEWS**

**FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT**

Come support our wonderful MWES musicians who are performing in the Howard County Gifted & Talented Sinfonia and Orchestra this Saturday, December 1st at Marriotts Ridge High School. Marie Duh, Olivia Jung, One Jung, Aidan Kim, and Sophia Lee will perform at 3:00 PM and Caleb Choi and Annie Yuan will perform at 7:00 PM.

We hope to see you there!

### **MWES ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE TO SUPPORT THE HOCO FOOD BANK**

Each year, Manor Wood students collect food to replenish the Howard County Food Bank which is depleted during the Thanksgiving holiday. We will be collecting food through December 18th. [READ MORE](#)

### **CRAYOLA COLORCYCLE**

As part of our Green School Program, Manor Woods is participating in the Crayola Colorcycle program again this school year. [READ MORE](#)

### **MWES 1ST, 2ND, 3RD GRADE BUMBLE BEE SPELLING BEE**

All students in first through third grades have an exciting opportunity to participate in the Bumble Bee Spelling Bee this year! [READ MORE](#)

## **MWES 4TH AND 5TH GRADE SPELLING BEE**

Classroom Spelling Bees will take place from December 10th through December 14th. Every student in 4th and 5th Grade will get to participate in the Classroom Spelling Bee. [READ MORE](#)

## **CogAT INFORMATION**

This year, the Howard County Public School System will be administering the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) to all students in grades 3 and 5. [READ MORE](#)

## **YOUNG AUTHORS' WRITING CONTEST 2018-2019**

Students in Grades 2nd through 5th are invited to participate in the State of Maryland Literacy Association SoMLA - Young Authors' Writing Contest. Entry deadline is December 14, 2018: [READ MORE](#)

## **PTA NEWS**

The PTA is a very integral part of the school community. Please read about the upcoming events and activities that are being planned for your student. [READ MORE](#)

Support Manor Woods by shopping on Amazon through Amazon Smile! [Read more](#)

## **COMMUNITY NEWS FROM OUR FEEDER SCHOOLS**

Our community includes other schools within the area and provides activities that often encompass the Manor Woods Community. Find out about events being held at Mt. View MS, Burleigh Manor MS and Marriotts Ridge HS. [READ MORE](#)

## **COMMUNITY NEWS AND PROGRAMS**

Find out what is going on within Howard County and surrounding areas. Notices are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Howard County Public School System.

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