MWES News - Week of 2/11/19

FEBRUARY

- 11 1st Gr MAP (math) 12:00 pm
- 11 PTA Meeting 7:00 pm
- 12 1st Gr MAP (ELA) 9:00 am
- 12 5th Gr MAP (ELA) 1:05 pm
- 14-15 3-HR early dismissal for students (parent/teacher math conferences)
- 15 Spirit Day: wear your favorite college spirit wear or Manor Woods gear
- 18 President's Day SCHOOLS AND OFFICES CLOSED
- 19 5th Gr MAP (math) 10:05 am
- 20 3rd Gr MAP (math) 8:50 am
- 21 4th Gr MAP (math) 8:50 am
- 21 5th Gr MAP (math) 10:05 am
- 21 3rd Gr MAP (math) 1:05 pm
- 22 4th Gr MAP (math) 8:50 am

BRING YOUR BOX TOPS IN!

It's the final two weeks to get in your Box Tops and win the Box Top trophy and a special treat. Get cutting and don't forget to send your Box Tops in now!

A NOTE FROM MRS. DEBORD AND MRS. BIALESKI

Today, we had a wonderful performance for all grades levels from Footworks Percussive Dance Ensemble. Footworks has toured nationally and internationally since 1979, including taking part in a Smithsoniann Institution tour of Japan, and performing as guest artists with "Riverdance" in London. The company has performed and taught in schools with Young Audiences since 1980. Our Young Audiences residencies are being sponsored by the Manor Woods Elementary PTA, thanks to an acquired grant. This residency started today with all students watching the dance ensemble while being entertained through expressive dance and sing-a-long music.

Over the next four weeks, our 3rd and 4th grades will participate in a curriculum that engages students in creative experiences through a series of in-depth visits from professional artists. These experiences are arts-integrated and connect to literacy, math, science, and history concepts, which help children perform better in the classroom.

We hope that your children come home today singing songs from this morning's performance and that your 3rd and 4th grade students are excited to begin their journey in this residency. The Washington Post declares that "The eruptive joy of Footworks dancers is as contagious as laughter." I'm sure everyone enjoyed the presentation! Thank you PTA!!

Sincerely,

Carol DeBord, Principal Julia Bialeski, Assistant Principal

CONFERENCE SCHEDULING

On Thursday, February 14 and Friday, February 15, we will be holding winter conferences at Manor Woods. The focus of these conferences will be the area of mathematics, therefore they will be scheduled with your child's math teacher.

Beginning at 9:00am on Monday, January 28, parents may log on to their HCPSS Connect account to sign up for a conference. <u>Directions for how to log in are attached</u>. ****Parents may schedule conferences or make changes to their schedule through Monday, February 11 at 9:00am. After this time, any changes to scheduled conferences will have to be communicated directly with your child's math teacher.**

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. <u>MWESabsences@hcpss.org</u>

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 parking 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.

SCHOOL NEWS

MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) Testing Schedule (dates listed above)

Students in grades 1-5 are participating in the winter administration of the MAP assessment. MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) is an un-timed, computer-adaptive assessment that provides our teachers with detailed, specific information about where your child is performing in Reading and Mathematics. Our grade level teams collaborate with our Math Support Teacher and Reading Support Teacher to analyze the data from the MAP assessment and plan instruction that builds on your child's strengths and supports areas where there is room for improvement.

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HCPSS SUMMER PROGRAMS REGISTRATION

Due to the cancellation of activities on February 1, the Innovative Pathways High School Summer program (grades 9-12; formerly Comprehensive Summer School) and the Summer Institute (grades K-9) first on-site registration will now take place on Wednesday, February 6th, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Homewood Center. Online registration will now open on Wednesday, February 6th at 6:00 p.m. and will remain open through Thursday, February 22nd at 6:00 p.m. Details at https://www.hcpss.org/summer-programs/.

GT ADVISORY SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR EDUCATOR RECOGNITION

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- Submit the GTAC Educator Recognition Form by February 15.
- Email positive comments about experiences with the GT program to <u>hcpssgtac@gmail.com</u>
- Attend educator recognition event on April 2.

PTA NEWS

Culture Night:

Everyone is invited to join us for our **MWES Culture Night at Marriott's Ridge High School, on March 8, from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM**. We are just one month away from an exciting night. Please consider sharing your culture/heritage by hosting a table, participating in a performance or bringing food to share. **Participation Forms are due back on February 22nd.** You can also choose to help on the day of the event by volunteering your time for one of the many tasks listed on this link:

<u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4CACAA2BA1F58-culture</u>. We thank you for your time and willingness to share your history with our MWES community. Any and all questions can be directed to Sri Tademeti via email at <u>Stademeti@gmail.com</u>. We hope you can join us and celebrate MWES's diversity.

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Culture Night Flyer

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. <u>READ MORE</u>

Support Manor Woods by joining us for **restaurant nights**. A portion of your dining bill benefits our PTA. <u>READ MORE</u>

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. Area summer camp information can also be found under this link. <u>READ MORE</u>

MOUNT VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL CULTURAL SHOWCASE

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LEARNING TOGETHER PROGRAM - PRE-KINDERGARTEN

The Waverly Regional Early Childhood Center (RECC) prekindergarten programs are making preparations for classes for the 2019-2020 school year. These classes include children with and without disabilities. The program's focus is helping all children develop communication, literacy, math, problem solving, motor, and social skills. Parents of children who will be 3 or 4 years of age by September 1, 2019 may pick up an application packet in the school office beginning February 15, 2019.

All applications must be returned by Friday March 29, 2019. A limited number of openings are available for children without disabilities. Children are selected based upon screening information given on the application form and the "Ages and Stages Questionnaire," as well as observations of the child's participation in a playgroup. If necessary, a lottery process is conducted.

If you have any questions, please contact Andrea Whitehead at (410) 313-2819 or andrea_whitehead@hcpss.org.

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.

MWES WINTER 2019 AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES WITH HOWARD COUNTY RECREATION AND PARKS

Howard County Recreation and Parks offers a variety of after-school classes at Manor Woods. Keep your child active during the cold winter months. <u>READ MORE</u>

For Complete information on these Before & After School classes, including how to Register, please go to <u>www.howardcountymd.gov/afterschool</u>