

MWES News - Week of April 1st, 2019

IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL

- 2 - Class/Individual Photos
- 3 - PTA Ice Cream Social/Family Night at the Bookfair**
- 4 - 4th grade art field trip
- 5 - Battle of the Books
- 5 - 3-hour early dismissal for students (end of qtr 3)
- 8 - PTA Meeting 7 pm**
- 9 - PTA Restaurant Night 5pm-9pm at Chic-Fil-A (Route 100)**
- 9 - Hearing and Vision Screening
- 11 - 4th Gr Field Trip to Robinson Nature Center
- 15-22 - Schools closed for Spring Break** (school reopens on 4/23/19)
- 23 - Hearing and Vision Re-Screening
- 24 - Qtr 3 Report Cards sent home
- 24 - 5th Gr Panoramic Photo 8:50 am
- 25 - Take Your Child to Work Day (details below)
- 25 - 3rd Gr Field Trip to Howard County Conservancy
- 28 - PTA Fun Day at Adventure Park USA**
- 29 - MAP Gr 2 ELA 9 am
- 30 - MAP Gr 2 ELA 8:50 am

MAY

- 7 - PTA Restaurant Night at Sonic (Route 40)**
- 7 - SCH 5th Gr Parent Training Meeting 8:00am
- 10 - 5th Gr Trout Release Field Trip**

PARCC Testing for Grades 3-5

This spring, all third, fourth, and fifth grade students in the state of Maryland will take the PARCC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers) assessment in reading and mathematics. Testing dates for each grade are listed below. There is nothing special that you need to do to prepare your child for the assessment, other than ensure a good night's sleep the night before and a good breakfast that morning. If you have purchased school headphones for your child, he or she will use those. If you did not purchase school headphones, your child may bring his or her own from home on testing days. Otherwise, communal headphones will be available.

Please avoid scheduling travel and appointments on the testing dates for your child's grade.

If you have any questions about the PARCC assessment, please contact your child's teacher.

Grade 3: 4/26, 4/29, 4/30, 5/7, 5/8, 5/10, 5/14

Grade 4: 4/26, 4/29, 4/30, 5/7, 5/8, 5/10, 5/14

Grade 5: 5/1, 5/2, 5/3, 5/6, 5/15, 5/16, 5/20

A NOTE FROM MRS. DEBORD AND MRS. BIALESKI

We LOVE our volunteers!!

Dear Parent Volunteers,

We would like to THANK all the members of our school community for your involvement in our school. Whether it is supporting your child with homework, participation in Culture Night, volunteering in a classroom, or attending a field trip, we would not be the best school in Howard County without you.

As we plan for our end of the year activities, we have created a survey in order for you to express the way you'd like to be recognized as a volunteer in our school. Please take a few minutes to complete the embedded Google form. In previous years, we have held a volunteer appreciation

breakfast. Over the years, attendance at this breakfast dwindled down to only a small number of volunteers attending. Last year, we purchased additional playground games for students to enjoy in honor of our volunteers. We want to thank you, so please let us know how you would like to be recognized. Our volunteer appreciation committee will make plans based on the option with the most votes as of Friday, April 12.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe49tqw0FAEMUkrGnatHOsGM6bwij01eXGhjLv8zwNWRdylaw/viewform?usp=sf_link

Sincerely,

Mrs. Carol DeBord, Principal

Mrs. Julia Bialeski, Assistant Principal

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

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY

Take Your Child to Work Day is on Thursday, April 25, 2019. If you plan to take your child to work, it will be counted as an excused absence for that day. Just send a note to the absences email provided above.

SCHOOL NEWS

MWES SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair is Coming!!! Mark your calendars because the Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Manor Woods Elementary from March 27th - April 4th, 2019. Students will browse the Fair during their media class and make a wish list of titles that they found interesting. Our Family Event will be held on Wednesday, April 3rd 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. This is also the date of our PTA Ice Cream Social. 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) 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>

FROM OUR HEALTH ROOM

Vision and Hearing will take place on Tuesday April 9th. All Kindergarten and 1st grade students will be screened. All students in grades 2nd through 5th grades who are new to the state of Maryland will also be screened. Please make sure students have their glasses with them for the screening. Any questions please call the health room. 410-313-8326.

PICTURE DAY IS APRIL 2!

[Spring 2019 Flier & Envelope.pdf](#)

BOWIE BAYSOX READING INCENTIVE

Students in Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to participate in the Bowie Baysox Reading Incentive Program. The incentive is Read 4 books and a student will receive 2 FREE tickets to attend their Reading Night with the Bowie Baysox on Saturday, May 18th. The game starts at 6:35 pm and game tickets will be distributed in May. Please see the attachment for the reading log flier. Book titles are due by Friday, March 29th. If you have any questions, please reach out to your child's homeroom teacher or Natalie_Miskimins@hcpss.org. Happy Reading!!

[BowieBaySox.pdf](#)

MD SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT INVOLVEMENT SURVEY

Parents of students receiving special education services are encouraged to complete the MSDE survey, which will help guide efforts to improve special education and related services. Complete the hard copy recently mailed to parents, or complete the survey online at www.mdparentsurvey.com.

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 by accessing their website here**. [READ MORE](#)

Support Manor Woods by joining us for **restaurant nights**. A portion of your dining bill benefits our PTA. You can also support MWES by shopping through **Amazon Smile!** [READ MORE](#)

WHC Soccer Information

Help support Manor Wood's PTA by joining Western Howard County (WHC) Soccer Inc. WHC soccer has supported your children's school through a 'Joint Sponsorship Program'. Registration for Fall 2019 League will be opening in mid-April and can be completed online at www.whcsoccer.org. WHC provides a recreation environment that enables children to develop skills in soccer and use these skills with others in the same age bracket. Emphasis is on fun, skills and team play. The Coaches meeting will be held at the Howard County Fairgrounds in late July or early August. Practices typically start in mid to late August. Opening Day will be scheduled the first Saturday after Labor Day. The number of teams will be determined by July 1st based on the number of

players that are registered. Please register and submit payment before July 1st to guarantee a spot on a team this year.

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.

[READ MORE](#)

FREE SPRING BREAK MEALS PROGRAM

HCPSS is partnering with the Howard County Department of Community Resources and Services, the Howard County Library System and the Community Action Council of Howard County to provide nutrition for children in need, Monday, April 15-Thursday, April 18.

[Learn more](#)

ANGST FILM SCREENINGS & DISCUSSIONS ON ANXIETY AND YOUTH

What does anxiety look like in children and teens? How can we as a community help?

Parents and guardians are invited to a free documentary screening and panel discussion around anxiety in youth. Register for this free event: <http://bitly/AngstReg>

[Click Here for Dates and Times](#)

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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SPECIAL ED FORUM AT MARRIOTTS RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL APRIL 6, 2019

[READ MORE](#)

QUANTUM FOR KIDS RETURNS MARCH 30TH!

Join the Society of Physics Students (SPS) for Quantum for Kids on Saturday, March 30 at 10:00AM. Learn about the exciting world of quantum physics through demonstrations, activities, and games.

Registration is limited and required; please sign up at <https://ter.ps/OfK>

AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES WITH HOWARD COUNTY RECREATION AND PARKS

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