

# **MANOR WOODS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**11575 Frederick Road, Ellicott City, MD 21042**

**Week of May 22, 2017**

## **CALENDAR**

May 23	Grade 5 Middle School Visits
May 23	Evening of Excellence at MWES (6:00 p.m.)
May 24	Progress Reports Issued
May 26	Field Day (8:45 a.m. – 3:10 p.m.)
May 29	Schools closed - Memorial Day
May 30	Rain Date – Field Day
June 1	Orchestra Concert (7:00 p.m. at Marriotts Ridge High School)
June 2	PTA Spirit Day: Beach/Summer Theme
June 5	Grade 2 – “Going Buggy” play (9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.), Picnic
June 6	Grade 5 – Simulated Congressional Hearings (SCH) (10:00 a.m. – 1:10 p.m.)
June 7	Grade 3 – Folktales Celebration (10:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.), Picnic
June 7	(’17-’18) Kindergarten Families- “Popsicles on the Playground” (3:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.)
June 8	Grade 5 Picnic
June 9	Grade 1 “Lovin Kindness” Play (9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.), Picnic
June 9	Grade 4 Picnic
June 12	Kindergarten End of Year Program (9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.), Picnic
June 13	Grade 5 – Promotion Ceremony (9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.)
June 13	School closes 3 hours early (dismissal: 12:15 p.m.)
June 14	Flag Day Ceremony (8:50 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.)
June 14	Last day of School, school closes 3 hours early (dismissal: 12:15 p.m.)
June 14	Q4 Report Cards mailed home

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

**THE EVENING OF EXCELLENCE:** Come join us for the evening of excellence on May 23, 2017 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 DONATION NEEDED:** We are in need of 3 oz. paper/plastic cups for Field Day water stations. If you would like to donate a package please send the package in with your child to give to his or her homeroom teacher. Thanks!

**FIELD DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Field Day is Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>! We are looking to have as many parents to help us as possible. This year, volunteers will be responsible for a station outside to assist different classes through the activity. Directions will be provided to help volunteers facilitate the station. If you are available to help us on the 26th, please go to the following link to sign up: <http://www.tinyurl.com/mwesFD2017>. Thanks for your help and we look forward to seeing you on May 26th. If you have questions, please email Mrs. Peksa [karyn\\_peksa@hcpss.org](mailto:karyn_peksa@hcpss.org) or Ms. Holocker [allison\\_holocker@hcpss.org](mailto:allison_holocker@hcpss.org).

**END OF '16-'17 SCHOOL YEAR STUDENT WITHDRAWALS:** Parent/Guardians please notify the school office (410-313-7165) as soon as possible if you will be moving at the end of this school year resulting in the withdrawal/transfer of your child from Manor Woods Elementary to the registration of your child at another school (public or private) in the area, state, country or out of country. A transfer form must be completed at MWES to begin the process. Timely registration and withdrawal information is extremely important to assist with proper record transfer and staffing for next year. Your prompt attention is greatly appreciated.

**REGISTER FOR KINDERGARTEN FOR THE '17-'18 SCHOOL YEAR:** Families of children who will be five years old by September 1, 2017 are urged to register for Kindergarten as soon as possible! Staffing for Kindergarten for next school year is based on the number of registered Kindergarten students. Please phone the MWES school office at 410-313-7165 to schedule an appointment for registration. Don't delay – parent meetings and new Kindergarten meet and greets are on the horizon. Additional information about the registration process and the documents needed may be found on the Howard County Public Schools website at <http://www.hcpss.org/schools/kindergarten-registration/>.

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**CRAYOLA MARKER RECYCLING PROGRAM:** Manor Woods students and families have been collecting used, dried-out markers for recycling throughout the school year. Students can continue to drop off their old, dried up markers in the yellow boxes located in each grade level pod. For more info.: visit <http://www.crayola.com/colorcycle.aspx>.

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL IS WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14<sup>th</sup>:** The last day of school for students and teachers will be Wednesday, June 14, 2017. Manor Woods will close 3 hours early (at 12:15 p.m.) on June 13<sup>th</sup> and June 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **PTA NEWS**

*Additional information available on the PTA website [www.mwespta.org](http://www.mwespta.org).*

**NEXT PTA MEETING:** Jun 5th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

#### **PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW 2017 – 2018 PTA BOARD:**

PTA President: Wendy Williams-Abrams

Vice President #1: Jennifer Maher Shea

Vice President #2: Jennifer Hanifee Flury

Corresponding Secretary: Shannon Sammis

Recording Secretary: Ginger Burcham

Treasurer: Rachael Brickman Gross

PTAC Rep: Roger Hermodsson

We look forward to working with you all in the coming year.

**THE WHEELER FARM'S CSA FOR PTA PROGRAM!** The PTA is teaming up with The Wheeler Farm's CSA! Buy fresh, local produce grown right here in Maryland. Purchase a season's share and receive a weekly box of the freshest harvest during the local growing season. (20 weeks: May 22nd - Oct 13th, no delivery July 4th week.) Half Shares are available too! Sign up on <http://www.thewheelerfarm.com>. Click "CSA" and then click "2017 CSA for PTA". Select "Manor Woods Elementary School" from the drop down box. Bon Appetite! Questions? Contact Jen Shea [mwesptavp1@gmail.com](mailto:mwesptavp1@gmail.com).

**SCHOOL SUPPLY FUNDRAISER:** The PTA will be selling SchoolKidz "Teacher Tailored School Supply Kits" for the 2017-18 school year. Additional information will be sent home soon! Questions? Contact Jen Shea [mwesptavp1@gmail.com](mailto:mwesptavp1@gmail.com).

**REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE CONTACT:** Jen Grams will now be our lead contact person for our redistricting committee. If you have any questions or would like to join the redistricting committee please feel free to contact her at [jygrams@gmail.com](mailto: jygrams@gmail.com). Or check out their Facebook page Mobilize Manor Woods..

**ATTENTION 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PARENTS WHO WILL BE MOVING TO BURLEIGH MANOR MS NEXT YEAR:** BMMS PTA- Do you want to get involved at Burleigh Manor MS and wonder how you can help? BMMS PTA is looking for volunteers for the 2017/18 school year! There are openings in many areas including: Membership VP, Fundraising, Staff Appreciation, Reflections Arts Program, Back to School Bash and Battle of the Books. To volunteer or to get more information, please contact Margaret Glyder at [glyders@comcast.net](mailto:glyders@comcast.net).

**PTA REIMBURSEMENTS:** if you have receipts to submit for reimbursement by the PTA (Hospitality, Fun Day, etc.), please use the Reimbursement Form posted on the PTA's web page. Go to: [mwespta.org](http://mwespta.org), under the "Get Involved" tab, the form is at the bottom of the page. Be sure to have your committee chair sign off in the designated area. Forms and receipts may be emailed to [mwesptatreas@gmail.com](mailto:mwesptatreas@gmail.com), given to any board member, or put in the PTA bin at school. Any questions, please email Marna at [mwesptatreas@gmail.com](mailto:mwesptatreas@gmail.com).

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

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

**HOW GIRLS CODE:** HowGirlsCode is proud to partner with the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) and the National Security Agency to offer another year of Mind, Body & Coding camp for girls entering grades 3-9. Girls will challenge their minds through coding and robotics and will nurture their bodies and well being through yoga, meditation, and self-empowerment exercises all while focusing on the arts and creative dance expression. Session 1 runs July 10-14 and Session 2 runs July 17-21. The camp day is from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with supervised drop-off beginning at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ending at 4:00 p.m. Discount code available for HowGirlsCode class alumni and generous scholarships are given for FARMS students. For more information and registration, [visit our website](#).

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**MARRIOTT'S RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTERS SUMMER CAMP:** To register and for more information including the camp descriptions and schedules, please go to the MRHS Booster's 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).

**RESERVOIR HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTERS SUMMER CAMP:** Reservoir High School for sports camp - week of July 17-21. Please visit <http://rankerssportscamp.weebly.com/> or email [phillip\\_ranker@hcpss.org](mailto:phillip_ranker@hcpss.org) for any questions.