

The Buzz



Hampstead Hill Academy

October 1, 2012

You are invited to Student Celebration Night



Join us Thursday, October 4th from 5:30-7:30 pm for Student Celebration Night. The first hour of the evening will be a celebration of instructional accomplishments, projects and activities in your child's classrooms. The second hour will be

parent/teacher conferences to discuss your child's individual academic success and, (if needed), challenges. Our teachers want to meet with every family. Therefore, these conferences are not just to discuss concerns, but to share the great things your child is doing at school. If you would like to sign up for a conference, see the attached sign up form in the back of the newsletter. However, walk-ins are welcome.

Upcoming MAP tests at HHA

What value does school add? How much does each student learn over the course of a year? During the first few weeks of October, all children in grades 1 - 8 will take the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) in reading and math. All 5th and 8th graders will also take a science test. Each subject test takes approximately 45 minutes and will be administered in the fall and spring. The MAP tests will help to determine your child's instructional level and measure their academic growth this school year. The children will take the tests on a computer in our computer lab. MAP tests are unique in that they adapt to your child's level of performance. This significantly reduces anxiety and helps make the test a more positive experience. In addition, the tests are shorter and use less class time, while providing the teacher with detailed information about each child's performance and growth.

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Important dates this month:

- 10/1, Terrific Kids Program Begins for Students in Grades 1-5
- 10/4, Student Celebration Night, 5:30-7:30 pm
- 10/10, Chat With Matt, 8:30 am
- 10/12, PTO B-fit Event
- 10/12, Purple Friday
- 10/17, Parent Workshop, 8:30 am
- 10/17, School Family Council Meeting, 3 pm
- 10/18, Family Academic Night, 5:30-7:30
- 10/19, School Closed
- 10/23, Parent Workshop, 8:30 am
- 10/26, No Uniform Day
- 10/26, Middle School Dance, 4-6 pm
- 10/27, Freshman Homecoming/Soccer Game, 9 am-12 noon
- 10/29-11/2, Hearing/Vision Screening

Progress Reports Sent Home Friday, September 28, 2012

Hampstead Hill Academy sends home report cards each quarter, every 45 school days. In addition to four report cards, there are four interim or progress reports sent home about halfway through each quarter. So, there are a total of eight reports coming home to parents this year, four progress reports and four report cards. This is one of the key ways our school communicates with you regarding your child's academic performance. Teacher comments are included, and if necessary, a parent/teacher conference will be requested. You may request a conference as well. Please look carefully at each subject area to see if a teacher conference is requested. Remember to celebrate the hard, smart work of your child! Your time is one of the most valuable rewards you have to offer your child. Choose something fun for both of you to do together.

Home-School Compact

Thank you to the parents who sent in comments regarding the Home-School Compact. The final copy of the compact will be sent home this week for parent and student signature. The home-school compact is a document that states the responsibilities of staff, parents and students in making our school great. Additionally, the compact is a requirement of the Baltimore City Public Schools Family and Community Engagement (FCE) Policy. All City Schools have been asked to write a compact that aligns with the policies of the school. Please carefully read over the compact with your child, explain what the compact means, sign the compact, have your child sign the compact and return it to your child's homeroom teacher. Please follow these directions for each of your children.

Family Academic Night



HHA would like to invite you to participate in the 2nd Annual Family Academic Night. Family Academic Night is designed for students of all grades.

Parents can learn about the writing process, and how writing is infused with all content areas in our curriculum. Parents will also look at how writing is connected with the Common Core Standards. Pre-K/8 grade students will be able to interact with their parents to learn about journal writing and other writing activities. You and your child can also learn and

practice simple things you can do at home that will help your child be successful in their academic career! Please be sure to mark your calendar for Thursday, October 18, 2012 at 5:30 pm for Family Academic Night.

Back to School Night

Thank you to all of the families who attended the Back to School Night. The winners of the Safeway gift cards were Gabriela Ramirez and Kelly Navas-Migueloa. To view Mr. Hornbeck's presentation, go to <http://www.baltimorecityschools.org/domain/6001>.

Pre-registration for the Spring Lottery and Pre-kindergarten Begins

Spread the word to family and friends that pre-registration forms for the spring lottery and pre-kindergarten are being accepted at Hampstead Hill Academy for the 2013-2014 school year. The lottery is held for students who do not live in the zoned area for the school. If you do not live in this area and would like for your child to attend Hampstead Hill Academy, you can pre-register on-line at <http://www.baltimorecityschools.org/Page/15074> or you can pre-register at school. The lottery will take place Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at 3 pm.

Terrific Kids Program

The staff of Hampstead Hill Academy has worked diligently with our students to teach schoolwide expectations. It is important that we are consistent in our efforts to provide all of our students with an environment that is free of disruptions and conducive to learning. With this in mind, the guidelines for the Terrific Kids program are aligned with HHA's schoolwide expectations.

The program guidelines for the 2012-2013 school year are as follows:

A student will have two opportunities during the school year to be part of the Terrific Kids program. Two 14-week sessions will take place. The first session will start Monday, October 1st and end on Friday, January 11th. The second session will begin Thursday, January 24th and end Friday, April 26th.

Every two weeks during each session, each student will receive

a notice regarding their status for the Terrific Kids Program. The student will receive a Terrific Job certificate, if he/she has:

- Zero Detentions and zero office referrals
- Three or less Think Times
- Followed the School-wide Expectations of Being Safe, Being Respectful, Being Responsible, Being Friendly and Caring.

All of the student's teachers must agree that the criteria have been met. During the course of 14 weeks, a student will have the opportunity to receive seven certificates. The student must have at least six certificates to be part of the Terrific Kids Program. If the student did not earn the Terrific Job certificate, he/she will receive a note stating in what area improvement is needed. If your child receives the improvement needed note, please contact the homeroom teacher for more detailed information.

Good attendance is critical to success in school.

Attendance and lateness also play an important part in the Terrific Kids Program. For each 14 week period, if a student in grades 1/2 has more than six days of lateness and/or two days of absence, (excluding excused absences such as: death in a family, illness/doctor's appointment with a doctor's note, court summons or religious holiday) the student will not be eligible for the Terrific Kids Program.

For each 14 week period, if a student in 3-5 grade has more than four days of lateness and/or two days of absence, (excluding excused absences such as: death in a family, illness/doctor's appointment with a doctor's note, court summons or religious holiday) he/she will not be eligible for the Terrific Kids Program. **Parents are encouraged to keep a lateness/attendance record for their child.**

The Terrific Kids Program is Sponsored by the
Kiwanis Club of East Baltimore.



The Spectacular Express is Ready to Roll

This year the Spectacular Express program will be for students in grades Pre-K/5. This program is used to recognize students for doing an impressive act. When a staff member observes a student doing a spectacular act, he/she will receive a certificate in the form of a train car. This certificate will be laminated and displayed in the main lobby. At the end of each month, a raffle will be held for all of the students who received a train car for the month. This program is sponsored by the Canton Railroad Company located in Southeast Baltimore.

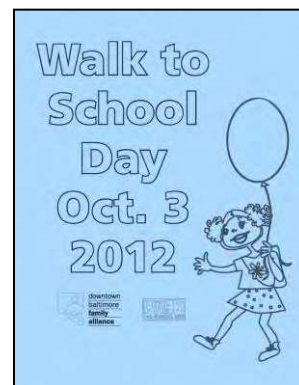
Protect Patterson Park



At the request of Recreation and Parks and the Health Department, Councilman Kraft will host a series of open community meetings to discuss the recent proposals related to additional vehicles in Patterson Park. As many of you know, Recreation and Parks has proposed the creation of a loop road and 96 additional parking spaces in Patterson Park, which came after the recent proposal by the Health Department to expand senior services in the Patterson Park Casino building. We encourage all interested parties to attend these meetings and voice their opinions. A flyer is attached with details regarding meeting dates and places.

Walk to School Day

The Downtown Baltimore Family Alliance (DBFA) will host International Walk to School Day at HHA this Wednesday, October 3rd. This is the 15th Walk to School Day and is designed not only to get children excited about walking to school, but also to allow parents to evaluate walking routes for potential safety issues. On Wednesday, a representative from DBFA will be handing out "I walked to school today!" stickers to students as they arrive at school. DBFA will also collect feedback cards for any safety issues identified by parents on the route to school. These will then be shared with Baltimore City's Department of Transportation. If you have any questions, comments, or ideas about walkability in Baltimore, please visit DBFA's walkability website: www.baltimorewalks.org. Information about DBFA can be found on the main website: www.dbfam.org.



Receive School Information through E-Mail



In an effort to save paper, parents can visit the school's website at www.hha47.org and register their e-mail address. The link to register the email address is on the opening page

under "Quick Links." The email list is updated every two weeks,

Continuing Spanish Class

Mrs. Easton is interested in teaching Spanish to HHA students after school. If you are interested in having your child attend for a nominal fee, please complete the information at the end of the newsletter and return it to school. This program will take place if there is enough interest.

Say Thank You to Our Staff

If an HHA staff member has done an exceptional job for you or your child, you can complete a *Busy as a Bee* thank you form located in the main office. The form will be on display for others to read and given to the teacher at the end of the month. Please remember to say thank you!



Homecoming Breakfast and Soccer Game

On October 27th, the Student Outcome Committee will host the 2nd annual Homecoming Breakfast and Soccer Game. Last year HHA had a power house team. We are looking for new players to fill their cleats. If you are interested playing in this year's soccer game, sign up in Ms. Gerrish's room.

Need information regarding the school?
Look inside your Parent-Student Handbook for many of the answers to your questions or visit our website at www.hha47.org.

PTO News

Greetings! We hope that everyone got the school year off to a great start. Thank you to everyone who came to our first meeting at Back-to-School Night. We are grateful to Ms. German for providing Spanish-language translation. In August, the PTO held a welcome-back event for staff and a parent morning meet and greet. The PTO also provided \$3,000 to support training in restorative practices for HHA teachers. Please talk to your children about restorative practices and circles. PTO funds are also supporting the after-school Lego clubs.

On Saturday, October 6th and Sunday, October 7th, HHA PTO will take part in the Fells Point Bucket Brigade to raise money for the Fells Point Restoration Society and the HHA PTO. If you are planning a visit to the Fells Point Festival, we can use your help with the Bucket Brigade.



The B-Fit HHA Fitness Festival is taking place Friday, October 12th. Students have already brought home B-Fit fundraising packets. Help them collect donations for recreational equipment for the school. Students who raise \$25 by October 1st will get a B-Fit 2012 T-shirt. Volunteers are needed for this event. If you can help out for an hour or more, please let us know. The day after B-Fit is the Baltimore Marathon. HHA is competing for the Legg Mason Baltimore School Spirit Award. Help us earn money for the school by coming out to cheer on the runners. The PTO will be on the Linwood Avenue side of school from 9 am -12 noon. If you can help at these events or have any questions, contact us at HHAPTO@gmail.com or leave a note for us in the school office.

News from the Teams and Departments

PreK - Kindergarten

Pre-K and Kindergarten students are working in reading, language, math and other various subject areas. Pre-K students will begin to learn about the life cycle of apples and pumpkins. They will also observe the seasons changing. They will also get ready for their farm field trip by learning about farm life. In math, students are exploring the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. Please help to support your child by encouraging them to identify these numbers and practice counting at home. Kindergarten students are also preparing for a trip to the farm by learning about farm life and farm animals. While students use their senses to identify seasonal characteristics of fall, they will create their own fall webs. October is fire safety month, so students will learn how to stay safe and what to do in case of an emergency. Kindergarten students will also go to the park for a special Audubon lesson this month. Be sure to join in the celebration of your children and all they have learned at Student Celebration Night this month.

1st and 2nd Grade

The 1st and 2nd grade students are off to a great school year! The 1st grade students are learning about the continents and are excited about their walking field trip to the Square to receive pumpkins on October 31st. The 2nd grade students are working on poetry and learning about their heritage. The Family Heritage questions are due October 18th. Please remember to check your child's folder, and to sign their homework every night. Teachers are looking forward to seeing parents for Student Celebration Night October 4th.

3rd and 4th Grade

The 3rd grade students are hard at work learning all kinds of new skills and exciting concepts! In Mrs. Bartz's core 1 group, the Bulldogs are reading a new set of stories about Oomoo and Oolak, two children who live in Alaska. They will learn about animals in Alaska, facts about Florida, Canada, and facts about killer whales and drifting. In Mrs. Bartz's Core 2 group, the Ravens are reading about Leonard, Grandmother Esther and inventions. They are also working on writing book reports about dinosaurs, volcanoes, earthquakes and weather. In Mrs. Bartz's Core 3 group, the Nerds started book B of RM 4. They are reading about Waldo and training animals to do tricks. They are also participating in a writer's enrichment workshop.

In Mrs. Weber's math class, students have been working on place value to 9999 and number patterns. Students have also incorporated a literature activity which focuses on the concept of doubling numbers. Students are responding and writing to prompts related to the literature story. In October, students will learn how to round numbers to the nearest ten, hundreds and thousands. In Mrs. Johnson's language classes, students are working on writing perfect paragraphs that include capital letters, correct punctuation and using quote marks appropriately. They are also working on identifying pronouns, verbs and nouns in a sentence. In Mrs. Johnson's science classes, students are finishing a unit on the Earth's crust. In this unit, students learned about rocks, minerals and fossils. They will begin to learn about

patterns in the Earth's atmosphere. This unit will include information about the water cycle, weather and climate changes.

In 4th grade reading, The Orioles have finished reading *Ron's Summer Vacation* and have begun to read Frank L. Baum's classic *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*. The Mountaineers have been learning the difference between myths and folktales. They have read *The Miraculous Pitcher*, a Greek myth, and *Beauty and the Beast*, a French folktale. The Ravens are finishing Mark Twain's *The Prince and the Pauper* and are almost ready to move into Reading Mastery 6. In Mr. Swann's math classes, students are working with whole numbers, understanding the base 10 number system, comparing, ordering and rounding numbers into the millions. Students are also applying the 8 Standards of Mathematical Practice to their work. In science, students are learning about fossils and the fossilization process. In language, students are working on paragraph and sentence structure. Students are getting an introduction to the writing process and will work on portfolio pieces to showcase at Student Celebration Night. Both 3rd and 4th grade will attend a program at Goucher College entitled "Vote!: A historical perspective of the history of voting in the United States" Monday, October 15, 2012.

5th and 6th Grade

Mrs. Lastner is proud of the hard work and progress of her 5th grade reading students. The Lemurs just completed their novel *The Odyssey* by Homer. Students celebrated with delicious Greek cookies. The Lemurs are reading a European folktale and researching other famous folktales. The Wombats completed the novel *Sara Crewe*. They enjoyed the movie *The Little Princess* and ate English scones. They are now reading Robert McCloskey's *Mystery Yarn*. The Hammerheads just completed the historical fiction novel *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry. They enjoyed the movie *A Miracle at Midnight* along with popcorn. The 5th grade would like to thank Mr. Korycki for visiting and sharing great history facts to the Hammerheads about World War II. The students enjoyed the presentation and had a chance to ask questions. The Hammerheads are currently reading Walter Farley's *The Black Stallion*.

The 5th grade students are making excellent progress with the Essentials for Writing program. They have already completed the first two mastery tests. Students enjoyed writing children's stories about predators and prey, and had a great time sharing their stories in the Pre-k and kindergarten classrooms. In science, students have completed the first unit on Interactions in Ecosystems and look forward to the next unit on Bionics. At the end of October, visitors from the Carnegie Institution Bioeyes project will work with students on the studying and raising of live zebra fish embryos in the classroom.

Where In The World Are Those Fifth Graders? Fifth grade project information pack will be given out on Monday, October 1st. The fifth graders will work on researching countries. The information pack has the timeline for specific parts of the project to be submitted. The first item is due Friday, October 5th which is the student's country selection sheet with parent/guardian's signature. The students will present their finished product Monday, December 3rd.

The 6th grade students have been working hard all month long as they continue to adjust to middle school life. In English/language arts, the students are wrapping up their first novel, *Maniac Magee*. They will begin their second novel, *The Outsiders*. In math, the students are finishing fraction review and beginning decimal review. Solidifying content from previous grades is a crucial step to success with more advanced material. The students are studying rocks and weathering in earth science. A highlight was the rock identification lab. The students used magnifying glasses to examine and identify different rocks. In world history, students will study the earliest human societies. This month also provides the first opportunity for our students to attend a middle school dance. Students need to be their best, so that they are eligible to attend.



Fifth grade students read to students in Pre-k.

7th and 8th Grade

In 7th grade math, students will start Unit 2 integer operations. In science, the students finished their first project of the year on organisms. During October, students will learn about cells and cell theory. In English language arts, the students will explore truth and arguments.

The 8th grade students have finished their novel and now are working on their persuasive essays. They were able to choose between 3 different writing prompts. They have researched their topic and will write their persuasive essay next week. In the upcoming weeks, students will discuss the different elements of plot. In history, students have finished their research PowerPoint on the 13 colonies. They are now going to work on how the colonies developed.



Music/Orchestra

During the month of October, the Pre-K and Kindergarten students will sing some spooky songs to prepare for the fall weather. In addition, they will learn the *Days of the Week* song and pick which day is their favorite day! First and second grade students are learning about the different instrument families. Second graders are completing charts and identifying the similarities in each family. The 5/6 grade choir students are working on proper singing posture, singing a major scale and their first song, *Imagine* by John Lennon. Mrs. Fegan's 8th grade students will finish their presentations and present to the class before the end of the first quarter.

All of HHA's string instruments have been distributed. If your child did not receive an instrument, you may want to rent or buy one. Please refer to the information your child received last week. Please see Ms. D. Smith with any questions. The beginner orchestra students will work on playing with a bow and learn their first piece of music. The Forte orchestra, comprised of our intermediate and advanced students, is working on their concert music for the Winter Celebration of the Arts which includes *Concerto for Sleigh Bells and Rockin' Fiddles*. Remember to encourage your

News from the Resource Team

child to practice, practice, practice. Orchestra Rehearsals will be held Thursday mornings at 7:30 am starting Thursday, October 11th. Rehearsals are mandatory if you want to play in concerts and attend the Music in the Parks field trip.

Piano/Band

In piano class, students in grades 3/4 are working on composing music, learning piano fingering and practicing a holiday arrangement. In grades 5-8, the students are creating an arrangement of song. These songs will be a soundtrack to a silent movie. This silent movie soundtrack project will be recorded and available for viewing. In band, the intermediate and advance band, aka Allegro Band, is preparing holiday music for the upcoming Winter Celebration of the Arts. Most of the beginning band students have received their first set of notes and musical symbols. They will be ready to play in the upcoming concert. Mrs. Free is excited about all the performance opportunities for band, orchestra, choir and piano students. If you have an event you would like the HHA music department to perform at, please contact Mrs. Free or Ms. D. Smith at the school office number.

Technology

In technology, students in Pre-K/1 have been working on Mouse control and click, double click and

using Starfall.com to add in letter usage. In 2/8 grades, students have been getting started on reading articles and gaining points with Achieve 3000. They will begin to get acquainted with the new typing program, Typing Instructor for Kids Platinum.

Food for Life

We welcome back Ms. Ariel Demas, original founder of the Food for Life program at HHA.

Art

Students in all grade levels have learned about a different world renowned artist and started a piece of art work based on the artist's style. These art pieces will be shown at the Winter Celebration of Arts in December.

Drama

Students in the lower grades are pretending to be animals to learn how their bodies move and ways to be more expressive with movements. In the upper grades, students have been playing games like "What are you doing?" This is a way to awaken their minds, so short form improv will come more naturally. All of the drama students at HHA have shown tremendous growth already, and continue to become more creative and courageous.

Physical Education

In physical education, Pre-K/1 students have been doing movement activities, ball skills and large group activities. Students in 2/4 grades are

working on movement activities, ball skills and tossing and throwing activities. Students in 5/8 have been working on ball control skills, body control and basketball skills.

Foreign Language - Greek

This month in Greek class, the lower grades have been listening to Greek Myths and Aesop's

Fables. Upper grade students have been working on completing maps of Greece and the surrounding countries.

Foreign Language - Spanish

In Unit 1 in Spanish for 7th grade, the students were introduced to key Spanish vocabulary and grammar in lessons. The lessons focused on simple greetings,

questions and answers, colors, professions, clothing, numbers from 1 to 6 and quantities. The 7th grade Spanish speaking students will work on a level test and then be assigned to the appropriate level in the Rosetta Stone course.

Library - Reading Recommendations from Mrs. Kannam

Grades PreK-1

Otto Runs for President written by Rosemary Wells
Join Otto the dog as he tries to win his school election.

Grades 2-4

Earwig and the Witch written by Diana Wynne Jones
Orphan Earwig, adopted by an unpleasant witch, teams up with the witch's talking cat.

Grades 5-6

Anya's Ghost by Vera Brosgol
Enjoy this new graphic novel about a funny, spooky and entertaining ghost that follows this young girl everywhere.



Grades 7-8

Middle School the Worst Years of my Life by James Patterson
A funny look at the ups and downs of middle school by award winning author James Patterson.

More Student News

Master Chefs at Work

During a Food For Life class, students in Ms. Fegan's class adapted a dip recipe by using vegetables from the school garden. The goal was to create a healthier dip. The resulting dip was served to parents at Back To School Night. There were many compliments and requests for the recipe. Well done, Ms. Fegan's Class!

Swiss Chard and Tomato Dip

Ingredients:

2 tablespoons olive oil
1 large onion, finely chopped
1 teaspoon ground cumin
4 cups fresh Swiss chard, torn into bite-sized pieces
2 tablespoons chopped garlic (fresh or jarred)
½ cup salsa from a jar
1 (8 oz) package cream cheese (regular or light)
1/3 cup chopped green onions
1 large tomato, diced
½ cup shredded mozzarella cheese
Salt and pepper to taste



Method:

1. In a large pot, sauté onion in the olive oil, stirring constantly until it starts to turn brown and caramelize (about 10 - 15 minutes). Add cumin and continue to cook another minute or two, stirring constantly until fragrant.
2. Add Swiss chard and continue to cook, stirring constantly, until chard cooks down and becomes tender. Add salt and pepper to taste.
3. Add garlic and continue cooking one to two minutes.
4. Add salsa, cream cheese and green onions, stirring well until cream cheese melts.
5. Remove pan from heat. Add tomatoes and mozzarella cheese. Stir until cheese melts and all ingredients are well combined. Check seasoning and add more salt or pepper if desired.
6. Serve warm with crackers, bread or cut vegetables.

Outward Bound

Many thanks to our friends at Leakin Park's Outward Bound program. All 6th and 7th grade HHA students participated in the full-day outdoor leadership course. Students participated in communication, leadership, strategy games, rock climbing, and team-building activities. Teachers and Mr. Hornbeck had great fun participating and chaperoning our terrific kids.

Science Projects in Mrs. Smith's Room

After reading a story that included the science behind pushing and pulling, Mrs. Smith's 2nd grade class built models to demonstrate the inventions described in the story. These are designed to pull clams out of the ocean.



Vivi Kaminaris (disguised as Ray Lewis) shows off her handiwork.



HHA students enjoy a day with Mr. Hornbeck at Outward Bound.

Middle School Dance

Let's start off the school year on the right foot! The first middle school dance will be held Friday, October 26th from 4-6 pm in the school cafeteria. This will be a Halloween dance. Any students in grades 6-8 without any detentions or office referrals are permitted to go. Looking forward to another great year of dancing and fun!



Club News

Please note, students will not be permitted to join multiple clubs that meet on the same day.

Football Season Update

Tackle football is coming to HHA. Coach Tarver and Coach Brown have had preliminary meetings with students interested in playing. Permission slips have been distributed and uniforms, safe helmets and shoulder pads have been ordered. The middle school boys have a strong team this year. The coaches will teach the basics of the game as well as good sportsmanship and what it means to be part of a team. A complete schedule will be posted as soon as it is available.

Middle School Girls' Soccer

The soccer team will begin interscholastic play the first week of October. The Hornets have been hard at work getting ready for an intense fall season of play against Baltimore City's best middle school girls' soccer teams. The season begins this week with an away game on Tuesday and a home game on Thursday. Home games will be played on the extension field in Patterson Park. Come support the Hornets. A complete schedule is attached to the newsletter.

Friends of Rachel

Students in the Friends of Rachel club are busy planning projects to spread kindness around the school and in the community. Look for the first big project to take place in October. Club members will begin to build the chain reaction of kindness for the new school year. Keep watching for updates as the chain grows throughout the school year.

Jelly Bean Lego Club

Jelly Bean Lego Club is busy getting to know each other and exploring the school's geography. Club members will work on building various aspects of Patterson Park and Baltimore City. The club talks about how people interact and use their environment. Get out and explore your neighborhood's geography!

Student Council

The HHA Student Council had a great first meeting. The students are setting up a schoolwide student mock

election. Students will have an opportunity to choose who they think should be elected president.

The Student Council members are Amber Mitchell, Ian Simko, Daisy Caltempa, Kayla Sims, Hernan Alvarado, Michele Ross, Johnny Caravantes, Gabriela Torres and Kaitlyn Minton. The next meeting will be Monday, October 8th from 2:45 to 3:15 pm.

Debate

The Hampstead Hill Academy Debate team is beginning to practice for their 2012-2013 season. There are a record number of students participating in debate this season, and students are very excited about their first debate. The first debate for students will take place Saturday, October 6, 2012 at Carver VoTec High School. Mr. Swann and Ms. Adams wishes the students well as they prepare for their first tournament.

Spelling Club

The Spelling Club will officially begin Monday, October 8th. Students attending the club will report directly to room 303 after school on Mondays. Students will practice spelling words in preparation for the HHA Spelling Bee, which is a feeder spelling bee into the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

Ceramics Club - NEW CLUB!

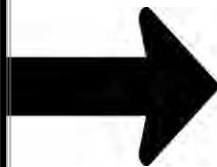
Ceramics club for 5/8 grade students will begin Tuesday, October 30th. If you would like to sign up to learn about and make ceramic art, please see the sign-up page at the end of the newsletter.

Family Information



The Countdown Continues

13% of the school year is complete, 24 of our 180 student days have ticked by. There are only 95 school days left until our 3rd - 8th graders sit for the MSA reading and math tests beginning March 4th. Mark your calendars.



What Does the MSA Look Like for Your Child?

Spend some time learning what is expected of your child by the Maryland State Department of Education at <http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/testing/msa/>. You can see sample MSA items for 3- 8 grade in reading and math and much more.

Important Dates - Mark Your Calendar

- **Maryland School Reading and Math Assessment (MSA)** for grades 3 to 8 - March 4-19, 2013
- **MSA Science Assessment** for grades 5 and 8 - April 8 - 26, 2013
- **Stanford Achievement Test (SAT)** for grades one and two - April 15 - 19, 2013
- **Report Cards** - 11/2 (1st Quarter), 1/25 (2nd Quarter), 4/9 (3rd Quarter), 6/6 (4th Quarter)
- **LAST DAY** (weather permitting) - Thursday, June 6, 2013

Please put these dates on your calendar and be sure NOT to plan activities outside of school on test days! Remember, scores on the tests help decide whether students move on to the next grade.

Know the No, No's.....

- ♦ No gum at school. It is distracting, messy and prevents students from reading clearly.
- ♦ No smoking in or around school property. This is against the law on school property.
- ♦ No double parking at drop-off and pickup. This creates a dangerous situation and you could get a \$252 ticket.
- ♦ No crossing in the middle of the street. Cross your child at the corner. Do not encourage your child to get to school by crossing in the middle of the street! This can be extremely dangerous for you child.

Chat With Matt

The first Chat With Matt of the school year will take place Wednesday, October 10th at 8:30 am. Join Mr. Hornbeck for an informal discussion about the school and to ask any questions you may have. These meetings will take place throughout the school year. For the convenience of our working parents, an evening meeting will be held in December and April.

Vision/Hearing Screening at HHA



Making sure your child can see the page and the board is a critical part of being ready for school. At the end of the month, Baltimore City Health Department personnel will be at HHA to conduct hearing and vision screenings. In addition, our full time R.N. can conduct

onsite screening. If you have any concerns about your child's vision, please see your pediatrician or Nurse Landers in the HHA Health Suite.

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Program

Again this year, HHA has been selected to receive about \$50,000 worth of fresh fruits and vegetables. Good nutrition and healthy eating are part of what make for a good day at school. This MSDE-funded program delivers hundreds of pounds of fruit and vegetables to our school each week. Staff wash and sort the food into bins that are distributed to each classroom several times a week. Students love the program and gobble up the carrots, celery sticks, plums and bananas.

Support HHA the Easy Way

Do you enjoy shopping online? Do you shop online at Walmart, Target or Kmart, just to name a few? You can shop and earn money for HHA at the same time. It is so easy to do. When you are ready to shop, go to schoolstore.com, click the "Select School Now" tab and type in Hampstead Hill Academy. Select the merchant you will be shopping at from the drop down list and click the merchant name. This will take you directly to

the merchant's site where you can shop and earn money for your school. With the holidays around the corner, this is an easy way to give a gift to a loved one and one to your school.

Spaces Available at Fitness, Fun and Games

There are spaces available at Fitness, Fun and Games (FF&G) for before/after school care. Three spaces are available for Pre-k and kindergarten students. One space will be available in October for a 1/3 grade student. There are multiple spaces available for students in grades 4 and up. Also, on Thursday, October 25th, FF&G will have extended care to 8:30 pm. This offer is only for students currently enrolled. For more information, visit the FF&G office.

Chrissa Carlson - Founder of Urban Farmhouse

Former HHA Food Educator Chrissa Carlson has started her own business, Urban Farmhouse. According to their



informative website, "the Urban Farmhouse supports homeowners and small business owners in cultivating a local diet through edible landscaping and food education services.

We help our clients grow food in attractive, ecologically friendly gardens and landscapes on urban and suburban properties, and teach them how to prepare and preserve the harvest. We offer a range of services, from basic garden consultations to full-service seed-to-harvest maintenance to seasonal cooking classes and workshops." Please support our friend and colleague in this work, by referring your friends and neighbors to Chrissa at urbanfarmhouseonline.com or by calling 410-963-2712.

**Zumba Fitness at HHA begins
Wednesday, November 7th,
6 - 7 pm in the gym.**

**Drop-in cost is \$5 per session.
Cost for children under the age of 12 is half price.
Children must be accompanied by an adult.**



Purple Fridays

To support our Raven's football team, on Fridays before home games students are allowed to wear a Raven's/purple shirt with

uniform pants, skirt or shorts. Raven's Days will be: Fridays, October 12th, November 9th, November 30th, December 14th, December 21st.



Orange Wednesdays to Support our O's!

The O's are in the playoffs! To show our support, students can wear an Orioles' /orange shirt with uniform pants, skirt or shorts every Wednesday the Orioles are in the playoffs.

The Attendance Race Begins

Attendance Percentage Figures for September and Yearly Average

Hampstead Hill is serious about attendance. Our talented staff cannot teach unless students attend school. City Schools' CEO Dr. Andres Alonso has initiated a district-wide focus on student attendance. Again this year, there will be mandatory hearings at school headquarters for the parents of students with poor attendance. Each month the newsletter will include this chart so students and parents can review attendance averages.

Congratulations to the Fourth Grade Team for having the highest attendance average for September. Students in this grade level will have a pizza party treat.



Grade	September Attendance %	Grade	Year Attendance %
HHA average	97.20%	HHA average	97.19%
4th grade	98.07%	2nd grade	98.02%
2nd grade	98.02%	7th grade	97.86%
3rd grade	97.99%	4th grade	97.75%
7th grade	97.96%	3rd grade	97.48%
6th grade	97.26%	6th grade	97.34%
5th grade	97.18%	8th grade	97.19%
1st grade	97.04%	5th grade	97.16%
PreK	96.62%	1st grade	97.06%
8th grade	96.40%	PreK	96.52%
Kindergarten	95.29%	Kindergarten	95.74%

The Quick Buzz

- ◆ **PLEASE REMEMBER TO SIGN IN AT THE MAIN OFFICE EACH TIME YOU VOLUNTEER AT HHA.**
- ◆ **Newsletter Submissions** - If you would like to contribute information to the newsletter that you feel would be helpful to other parents, please submit your article to geriswann@hotmail.com or see Ms. Swann.
- ◆ **Chat With Matt** - Wednesday, October 10th, 8:30 am. Join us for a group discussion with Mr. Hornbeck.
- ◆ **School Family Council Meeting** - Wednesday, October 17th, 3 pm. Parents are encouraged to attend.
- ◆ **Parent Workshop** - Wednesday, October 17th, 8:30 am - What are the Common Core Standards?
- ◆ **Parent Workshop** - Tuesday, October 23rd, 8:30 am - Breast Cancer Awareness
- ◆ **PTO Meeting** - Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at 5 pm
- ◆ **October No Uniform Day** - Friday, October 26th, Students need to dress according to the City Schools' dress code policy on page 22 of the Code of Conduct booklet. Make sure your child dresses appropriately.

- **Lost and Found** - Current items will be given to charity Monday, November 5th.
- **Uniform Items** - If your child borrowed a uniform item from school due to an accident or otherwise, please send it back as soon as possible. We need those items to be available for other students that may need a change of clothes. We also are accepting gently worn uniform pieces. Please bring them to the main office.

**THANK
YOU**

Staff and students would like to say thank you to the Johnson family for their donation of school supplies, the Palmer/Fannon and Mecler family for their monetary donation and to all of the parents who donated gently used uniforms. Special thank you to the members of the PTO Cara Joyce, JoAnna Sullivan, Susan Schuler, Cathy Wolkow and Angela Scott. Thank you also to Jill DeCastro, Helen Peterson, Jeanne Pasko, Beth Rineker, Trish G nubis, Kristina Bachman, Mark Kozlowski, Julie Bryan, Cole Edwards, Dr. Sauls, Amy Winkler, Julia Gochar, Justin Pruitt, Larry Korycki, Liz Purkey, Kelly Navas-Migueloa and Krystle Roof.

Family Fun

Audubon Activities for October

Garden Team

Saturday, October 6th, 9:00-10:30 am. All ages welcome! Free! Meet at the Audubon pollinator garden, just west of the boat lake in Patterson Park. Does your son or daughter love Audubon field trips in Patterson Park? This is a chance to help the park in a new way. Join us to tackle wacky weeds and to prepare for spring expansion of Audubon's habitat gardens in Patterson Park. We need volunteers to make sure they remain healthy habitats for the park's birds and insects. We're happy to sign community service hours for helpful students.

Urban Bird Watching Walks

Friday, October 12th and Saturday, October 27th, 8-9:30 am. All ages welcome! Free! Meet at the fountain in Patterson Park closest to E. Lombard St. and S. Patterson Park Avenue. Bring the family to Patterson Park to learn about the many birds that migrate through Maryland in fall! Audubon experts from the Chesapeake Audubon Society (Friday, the 12th) and Audubon Maryland-DC (Saturday, the 27th) lead us in search of feathered friends. If you would like to borrow binoculars, drop us an email - we have plenty to share! There is no need to RSVP for this event, just arrive ready to explore!

Tiny Tots: Owls of the Night

Friday, October 26th, 10:30-11:30 am and Saturday, October 27th, 10-11 am. Meet at the picnic tables on the northeastern shore of the Boat Lake. Ages: 2-5. \$5 suggested donation per child, with an adult. Tiny Tots is an early childhood environmental education program where kids make a craft, play games, and read a story. This month, we will learn what it's like to be an owl hunting at night. What do they eat and how do they find their prey in the dark? Discover the answer as we study these remarkable raptors. Registration required: 410-558-2473 or PPAudubon@gmail.com.

Creative Alliance Activities for October

Kerplunk! Family Drop-in Art Class FREE! Saturdays: September 29th - December 1st, 12 noon - 3 pm. Open to families and kids of all ages! Refresh yourself by creating art in a comfy environment. It's easy to drop into Creative Alliance at The Patterson for family art making fun. Tour the gallery exhibits and create artwork. Engaging art teachers lead projects and are there to assist you and your family. Whether you come for a quick visit or an entire afternoon stay, they will be ready with materials and encouragement. Youth must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required.

Family and friends are invited to The Halloween Lantern Parade and Festival Saturday, October 27th beginning at 3:30 pm. All of the fun will begin at Eastern and Linwood Avenues. If you would like to make a lantern to carry in the parade, free workshops will be held on Sundays, October 14th and 21st at The Patterson. Workshop times are 10 am, 12:30 pm and 3 pm. Advanced registration is required and children must be accompanied by an adult. The Creative Alliance is located at 3134 Eastern Avenue; 410-276-1651, www.creativealliance.org/

Baltimore Family Bike Ride

Families can take part in the Baltimore Family Bike Party beginning from the grand entrance to Patterson Park. The ride will go through the park and out on to the streets of upper Fell's Point. After the ride, bikers will stop at one of

Baltimore's best playgrounds with slides, jungle gyms, and much more for everyone from toddlers to young teens. The event will take place Saturday, October 20th, 9:30-11:30 am.

Neighborhood Centers for Family Fun

Southeast Anchor Library - located at 3601 Eastern Avenue; 410-396-1580, www.prattlibrary.org/locations/southeast/

Friends of Patterson Park - located at 27 S. Patterson Park Avenue; 410-276-3676, pattersonpark.com/

Family Filmgoer

This is a helpful guide for parents on what kids should and should not see. Reviews appear each Friday and are available free online at <http://www.wpmediaservices.com/archives/film120927.htm>.

Contact Information:
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Arleen Proto, Assistant Principal
John Paz, Assistant Principal



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**Be well informed about HHA!
Visit hha47.org for information on upcoming
events and activities along with pictures.**

Conference Reservation

____ Yes, I would like to talk with my child's teacher Thursday, October 4th at Student Celebration Night.

My Name: _____

My Child's Name: _____

Teacher(s) I would like to meet with: _____

My preferred meeting time is: 6:30 6:40 6:50 7:00 7:10 7:20

____ I will need a translator.

Conferences will begin at 6:30 pm. Each conference will be approximately 10 minutes. Please give a preferred time for your conference, and we will try our best to accommodate you. You can call the main office on Wednesday, October 3rd for your appointment time. Walk-ins are welcome.

____ I cannot attend Student Celebration Night, but please call me regarding my child.

Contact Number: _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO MS. SWANN



Student Activities Sign-up Sheet

I would like to sign up for:

_____ **Spanish** -The club will meet on Monday and Friday. Lessons will be \$5 per hour. This program will take place if there is enough interest. You will be contacted by Ms. Easton with more information.

_____ **Ceramics Club** - 5-8 grade students will begin Tuesday, October 30th.

This form must be returned to Ms. Swann no later than Friday, October 5th.

If the number of students for a club exceeds the member limit, a lottery drawing will be held.

Student's Name: _____

Homeroom Teacher: _____

Parent's Name and Contact Number: _____

Only students selected for the club will receive a permission slip.

Return this form to Ms. Swann.

LET US KNOW WHAT YOU ARE THINKING!

Hampstead Hill Academy Feedback Form

School Year 2012-2013

Name and contact information if you want a response to your submission: _____

I have a _____question_____comment_____concern_____suggestion.

Please return this form to Ms. Swann.

First District Dispatch

Jim Kraft
FIRST DISTRICT COUNCILMAN

Protect Patterson Park!



Patterson Park Parking Study
Baltimore, Maryland

Councilman Jim Kraft says:

NO parking in Patterson Park.

NO more cars, no more parking, no more paving!

The Department of Recreation and Parks is proposing to put an additional 96 parking spaces in Patterson Park and build a loop road connecting the lots.

The community is unanimously against this idea.

I am adamantly against this idea.

Over the last few years the community has been very clear in its discussions with DRP that they want fewer cars and less parking in the park, not more.

The Health Department proposes to move the John Booth Senior Center to the Casino building and expand its ser-

vices there. DRP says that this proposal, along with the plans to expand the Recreation Center, would make this additional parking necessary. I don't agree.

I believe there may be an effort to portray this as a seniors vs. the Patterson Park community conflict. This would be a ruse and an attempt to divide our community, pit neighbor against neighbor and portray us as parochial obstructionists.

We will not fall for that. We will fight to preserve our park and its green spaces for future generations.



Jim Kraft

At the request of Recreation and Parks and the Health Department, I will be hosting a series of open community meetings to discuss these recent proposals and to get community feedback. Here's the list. Please plan to attend one or more of these meetings and voice your opinion. Also—please spread the word about these meetings to your neighbors. Come and bring your friends and neighbors!

Monday, Oct. 1st, 6:30-8 pm
Virginia Baker Rec Center in Patterson Park

Saturday, Oct. 6th, 10:30am-noon
Hampstead Hill Academy,
500 S. Linwood Ave.

Tuesday, Oct. 9th, 7:00-8:30pm
St. Andrew's Church, 2028 E. Lombard St.

Thursday, Oct. 11th, 7:30-9 pm
Breath of God Lutheran Church,
141 S. Clinton St.

Hope to see you there—

Committed to a First District that is Safe • Smart • Green • Growing

Area schoolkids go green!

Councilman Jim Kraft is carrying on his commitment to education with a Healthy Harbor Poster Contest open to schoolchildren.

The winning posters will be displayed at the Southeast Anchor Library and will be distributed in Southeast neighborhoods. Entry deadline is Nov. 15.

Children should draw and paint a poster depicting a clean, healthy harbor and what it might take to achieve—less litter and pollution, for example.

In addition, area schools are organizing Green Teams of 10-15 students each. Teams will win points for recycling and other green school initiatives; for cleaning their neighborhoods; and for special projects.

During Earth Week the students will present the work they have done during the year.

The winning team will receive a nice prize—to be announced!

Celebrating a century in Canton



There is another plaque on another Southeast Baltimore house, thanks to Councilman Kraft's Centennial Homes initiative.

Centennial Homes celebrates houses that have been in the same family's hands for a century or more.

Councilman Kraft says that he came up with the idea campaigning door-to-door. He was intrigued by the number of people who live in a house that was originally purchased by their great-grandparents, or great-greats.

The latest Centennial House belongs to Barbara Baynes, a retired aide to U.S. Senator Barbara A. Mikulski who has been active in community affairs and politics all her life.

"Centennial homes are the anchors of a community," said Councilman Kraft. "They make a neighborhood a true community."

The first Centennial Home plaque was awarded to John Pente, the celebrated centenarian of Little Italy. He died in 2010 and the house has changed hands, but the plaque remains at 222 S. High St.

Has your house been in the family for a century or more? Do you know someone who owns one? Give Councilman Kraft's office a call at 410-396-4828.

With **Barbara Baynes** (center) at the celebration in the 600 block S. Kenwood Ave. are (from left) **Johns Hopkins**, executive director of Baltimore Heritage; **Molly Martin**, aide to Senator Mikulski; **Darryl Jurkiewicz**, president of the Canton Community Association; **Delegate Pete Hammen**; **Councilman Kraft**; and **Father Joe Bochenek**, pastor of St. Brigid Church.

Vote!

Deadline to register

Tuesday, October 16
Info: http://elections.state.md.us/voter_registration/index.html



Oct. 27-Nov. 1
St. Brigid Parish Center
901 S. Ellwood Ave.

Hours: Saturday, and Monday through Thursday, 10 am-8 pm; Sunday, noon-6 p.m.

Election Day
Tuesday, November 6
Polls open 7 am-8 pm



GIRLS' FALL 2012 SOCCER LEAGUE SCHEDULE

All Games Start at 3:30 p.m.

Vans Will Pick-Up Visiting Teams at 2:30 p.m.

Visiting Team @ Home Team

Game	Away Team	Home Team
Tuesday, October 2		
1	Roland Park	Green Street
1	SEED	AFYA
1	Hampstead Hill	Franklin Square
1	Highlandtown	City Neighbors
Thursday, October 4		
2	Highlandtown	Hampstead Hill
2	Green Street	AFYA
2	Roland Park	SEED
2	City Neighbors	Franklin Square
Tuesday, October 9		
3	Highlandtown	AFYA
3	Roland Park	Franklin Square
3	City Neighbors	SEED
3	Green Street	Hampstead Hill
Thursday, October 11		
4	Franklin Square	Highlandtown
4	AFYA	Roland Park
4	SEED	Green Street
4	Hampstead Hill	City Neighbors
Tuesday, October 16		
5	Franklin Square	AFYA
5	City Neighbors	Green Street
5	SEED	Hampstead Hill
5	Roland Park	Highlandtown
Thursday, October 18 Coaches Workshop At Parks & People Foundation 4:00 - 6:30 pm		
Tuesday, October 23		
6	Hampstead Hill	Highlandtown
6	AFYA	Green Street
6	SEED	Roland Park
6	Franklin Square	City Neighbors

Thursday, October 25		
7	Franklin Square	SEED
7	AFYA	Hampstead Hill
7	Green Street	Highlandtown
7	City Neighbors	Roland Park
Tuesday, October 30		
8	Green Street	Franklin Square
8	Hampstead Hill	Roland Park
8	Highlandtown	SEED
8	AFYA	City Neighbors

Playoffs		
Thursday, November 1, Playoffs Round 1		
P1	8 th Seed	1 st Seed
P2	7 th Seed	2 nd Seed
P3	6 th Seed	3 rd Seed
P4	5 th Seed	4 th Seed
Thursday, November 8, Playoffs Round 2		
P5	Winner of P4 vs. Winner of P1 – Team with best record/seed will host game	
P6	Winner of P2 vs. Winner of P3 – Team with best record/seed will host game	
Tuesday, November 13, Championship, TBD		
	Winner of P5 vs. Winner of P6	

Teams
Hampstead Hill E/M
Highlandtown
AFYA
Green Street
Roland Park
SEED
City Neighbors
Franklin Square

2012 Baltimore Middle School Girls Soccer League
School List and Contact Information

School	Coach	Coaches' Cell	School Address	Zip	School Phone #	Field
AFYA	Luis Arauz	(773) 603-3177	2800 Brendan Ave	21213	(410) 485-2102	Herring Run Park
City Neighbors	Darius Scott	(410) 804-4200	4301 Raspe Ave (1 st Pick Up) 5609 Sefton Ave (Home Field)	21206	(410) 325-2627	School Grounds (Sefton)
Franklin Square E/M	Kenyetta Scipio	(443) 760-6688	1400 W. Lexington St	21223	(410) 396-0795	School Grounds
Green Street Academy	Megan Bovill	(207) 604-0898	201 North Bend Rd	21229	(443) 642-2068	School Grounds
Hampstead Hill Academy	Georgie Smith	(410) 591-8373	200 E. North Ave	21202	(443) 984-2000	Patterson Park - Ext. Fields
Highlandtown E/M	Ibironke Olayimika	(240) 475-8447	231 S. Eaton St	21224	(410) 396-9381	School Grounds
Roland Park E/M	Darlene Furno	(443) 805-9101	5207 Roland Ave.	21210	(410) 396-6420	School Grounds
The SEED School	Elisa Basmajian	(315) 794-2907	200 Font Hill Ave	21223	(410) 843-9494	School Grounds

Program Contact

Ron Reeves
 Cell: (919) 394-0575
 Office: (410) 448-5663 ext. 108

October 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Terrific Kids Program Session I Begins Newsletter Sent Home Builders' Club-2:40-3:30 pm 4th Grade/Spelling Club-2:40-3:30 pm Jelly Bean Lego Club 2:40-4 pm - library 3rd Grade Language and Science Support-2:40-3:30 pm Girls' Volleyball -2:50-4 pm-gym Tackle Football - 3-6 pm Chicken Stir Fry Days to MSA - 95	2 Girls' Middle School Soccer - 3-4:30 pm Brownies 2:40-4 pm Debate-2:40-3:30 pm Lego Club Simple Machines 2:40-4 pm - library F.O.R.Club-2:40-3:30 pm Garden.Club-2:45-4:30 pm Girls/Boys Soccer-2:40-4:45pm After Hours with Ms. Hoover-2:45-3:30 pm Hamburger Days to MSA - 94	3 Girls' Middle School Soccer - 3-4:30 pm Mural Painting-2:40-4:40 pm Girls' Volleyball -2:50-4 pm-gym Chicken tenders Days to MSA - 93	4 Student Celebration Night 5:30-7:30 pm Girls' Middle School Soccer - 3-4:30 pm Debate-2:40-3:30 pm Culinary Arts Club-2:45-4:30pm Girls/Boys Soccer-2:40-4:45pm After Hours with Ms. Hoover-2:45-3:30 pm Tackle Football - 3-6 pm The Roald Dahl Book Club-2:45-3:30 pm Fiesta beef and pasta Days to MSA - 92	5 Tackle Football - 3-6 pm Guitar Lessons - 2:50-3:50 pm Pizza Days to MSA - 91	6 Debate at Carver High School Fells Point Festival
7 Fells Point Festival	8 Builders' Club-2:40-3:30 pm Student Council-2:45-3:15 pm Daisies-2:40-4 pm 4th Grade/Spelling Club-2:40-3:30 pm Jelly Bean Lego Club 2:40-4 pm - library 3rd Grade Language and Science Support-2:40-3:30 pm Cheerleading 3-3:45 pm Girls' Volleyball -2:50-4 pm-gym Tackle Football - 3-6 pm Hot dog Days to MSA - 90	9 Girls' Middle School Soccer - 3-4:30 pm Debate-2:40-3:30 pm Lego Club Simple Machines 2:40-4 pm - library F.O.R.Club-2:40-3:30 pm Garden.Club-2:45-4:30 pm Girls/Boys Soccer-2:40-4:45pm After Hours with Ms. Hoover-2:45-3:30 pm Steak sandwich Days to MSA - 89	10 Chat With Matt 8:30 am Girls' Middle School Soccer - 3-4:30 pm Mural Painting-2:40-4:40 pm Girls' Volleyball -2:50-4 pm-gym Chicken with rice Days to MSA - 88	11 Girls' Middle School Soccer - 3-4:30 pm Debate-2:40-3:30 pm Culinary Arts Club-2:45-4:30pm Girls/Boys Soccer-2:40-4:45pm After Hours with Ms. Hoover-2:45-3:30 pm Tackle Football - 3-6 pm The Roald Dahl Book Club-2:45-3:30 pm Shrimp poppers Days to MSA - 87	12 PTO B-fit Event Purple Friday Tackle Football - 3-6 pm Guitar Lessons - 2:50-3:50 pm Pizza Days to MSA - 86	13 Baltimore Marathon
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28	29 Musical Auditions 3-5 pm Builders' Club-2:40-3:30 pm 4th Grade/Spelling Club-2:40-3:30 pm Jelly Bean Lego Club 2:40-4 pm - library Audubon-2:40-4:30 pm 3rd Grade Language and Science Support-2:40-3:30 pm Cheerleading 3-3:45 pm Girls' Volleyball -2:50-4 pm-gym Tackle Football - 3-6 pm Chicken fajita Days to MSA - 76	30 Girls' Middle School Soccer - 3-4:30 pm Debate-2:40-3:30 pm Lego Club Simple Machines 2:40-4 pm - library F.O.R.Club-2:40-3:30 pm Garden.Club-2:45-4:30 pm Girls/Boys Soccer-2:40-4:45pm After Hours with Ms. Hoover-2:45-3:30 pm Ceramics-2:40-3:30 pm Steak sandwich Days to MSA - 75	31 Girls' Middle School Soccer - 3-4:30 pm Mural Painting-2:40-4:40 pm Girls' Volleyball -2:50-4 pm-gym Chicken tenders Days to MSA - 74			