

Bushy Bear Tales

Bushy Park Elementary School



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Mrs. Molly Ketterer, Principal

September 28, 2015

Dr. Teresa Via, Assistant Principal

Upcoming Dates to Remember

9/30 - Fall Picture Day
9/30 - Walking Wednesday's begins for students during recess
10/1 - LEO Club meeting 8:35 AM
10/2 - Schools Closed for Students
10/7 - Interim Progress Reports Issued
10/9 - PTA Fall Festival 6:00 - 8:00 PM

From Mrs. Ketterer:

What a wonderful September we have had! It was great to have over 70 parents join us at our **Parent Volunteer Training Sessions** held a few weeks ago! Many volunteers came to share ideas and learn more about how vital they are in enhancing our school experience for our students!

Anyone else who would like to be trained as a Parent Volunteer, please go on our website <http://bpes.hcpss.org> to access the online training. Click on "Get Involved" which will offer highlights of the training and three links to access to receive the necessary information, training completion certificates, and volunteer registration.

Bushy Park ES has 76% of our Emergency Procedure Cards in Family File...Let's Go for 100%

We would like to thank you for working so hard at getting your child's/children's Emergency Procedure Cards up-to-date in the new Family File system. This new system is extremely helpful and user friendly. One nice feature is that you can update multiple children's information in one place!

For those who haven't had the opportunity to complete your Emergency Procedure Cards yet, please take a moment to go to www.hcpss.org/connect and login to do so. We would love to have these important forms 100 percent complete in case of emergency.

Bushy Bear Hug Winners for September 15th:

Kindergarten	Cayden Tran	(Mrs. Powell's Class)
1 st - Grade	Lisa Richardson	(Mrs. Lambros' Class)
2 nd Grade	Ethan Morton	(Mrs. Rehrig's Class)
3 rd Grade	Mikayla Porterfield	(Ms. Hewitt's Block 1 Class)
4 th Grade	Laurel Kutz	(Mrs. Perry's Block 1 Class)
5 th Grade	Rebecca Mekasha	(Mrs. Felipe's Block 1 Class)

Bushy Bear Hug Winners for September 21st:

Kindergarten	Sabeen Jan	(Mrs. Groh's Class)
1 st - Grade	Jake Stein	(Mrs. Norris' Class)
2 nd Grade	Gavin Killorin	(Mrs. Follmer's Class)
3 rd Grade	Mustafa Siddiqui	(Mrs. Griffin's Block 1 Class)
4 th Grade	Zachary Lafountain	(Mrs. Lyter's Block 1 Class)
5 th Grade	Christopher Le	(Mrs. Little's Block 1 Class)

Howard County Library 2015 Summer Reading Club

We would like to congratulate and recognize some of our students who participated and completed the Summer Reading Club. Students completed various reading related activities all geared to helping them maintain reading levels and academic progress while they were home for the summer.

Elliott DeRosa

Josiah DeRosa

Blake Levin

Congratulations! We will continue to recognize students as they present their certificates to us.

A Message from the PTA

Do you have a question for Mrs. Ketterer and/or Dr. Via? Please submit any questions you'd like to have discussed at our next PTA meeting to Tamara Westhoff at bpsptapres@gmail.com.

HCPSS 9th Annual ADHD Awareness Evening

The Howard County Public Schools (HCPSS) will be holding its 9th Annual ADHD Awareness Evening on October 8, 2015 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Centennial High School auditorium. Our guest speaker will be Dr. George McCloskey a professor in the Psychology Department at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. McCloskey's presentation "*Executive Functions and the Gap between Knowing and Doing*" will provide participants with information regarding executive functions and strategies to improve them. This event is free to the public and there is no registration required. For more information, please contact Sally Dorman at 410-313-1252 or e-mail sally_dorman@hcpss.org.

Glenelg Marching Unit

Help support our area high school. Restaurant Fundraiser at Ledo's Pizza, 6030 Daybreak Circle, Clarksville, MD. Oct. 13, 4-9 p.m., No flyer needed, mention the Glenelg Marching Unit fundraiser and we will get money from the sale! 443-535-0599 Thank you!

COMMUNITY NEWS

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Let's Go HoCo

The Howard County Public School System is excited to host Let's Go HoCo, it is our 2nd Annual 5K race and 1 mile fun run on Sunday, October 11 in Columbia. The race is a great way to bring together families, staff and Howard County community members to promote health and wellness. The race will include beginners, intermediate and professional level athletes. View event information and register today at www.hcps5k.com.

Howard County Recreation and Parks

The Great Snipe Hunt, Sat. Oct. 3, \$5 per child/ 7-9 p.m., the largest of the snipe species. After hearing the story, come venture into the woods in search of this elusive creature. Bring a flashlight for this catch-and-release event. Sponsored by the Elkridge Adult Athletic Association. Sign up early; the event is cancelled if minimum enrollment. Register by Sept. 25 at 410-313-7275 or The Great Snipe Hunt. Rockburn Branch Pk West, Pfeiffer's Corner Schoolhouse.

Columbia Orchestra

Sat., Oct. 10, at 7:30 pm. at the Jim Rouse Theatre with Shostakovich's legendary Fifth Symphony. Katherine Needleman, Young Artist Competition winner at age 13 and now a world-renowned artist, returns to perform a concerto by Pulitzer Prize-Winner Jennifer Higdon. As part of the "New Music for America" Consortium, we give the Maryland premiere of a work by Grammy-nominated composer Christopher Theofanidis inspired by ancient myths of Aboriginal Australia. Visit www.columbiaorchestra.org/hcps

Downtown Columbia Partnership and Howard County Library System

Discover Downtown Columbia Running Event on Sun., Sept. 27. This exciting run winds through many iconic landmarks of Downtown Columbia, both old and new. Runners tackling the 5k will take off from the Plaza at The Mall in Columbia at 9:07 a.m., following our Fun Run younglings at 9 a.m. The finish line will be at the People Tree on the downtown lakefront and post-race festivities are in the works for a fun and festive celebration. For more information please visit <http://discoverdowntown5k.com>

The Glen Mar Community Church

Family 5K and 1-Mile Walk will be held on Sat., **Oct. 3**, 9 a.m. at Glen Mar United Methodist Church, 4701 New Cut Road, Ellicott City. The event will benefit the Howard County Food Bank. To register visit www.glenmar.org/gmcevents/5k/. For more information, call Connie Ballenger at 410-796-0290 or Dave Eddy at 410-465-2976.

Oakland Mills Community Center

Fall Festival, Sat., **Oct. 3**, 11 a.m.- 4 p.m. Bring your family, friends, and neighbors - rain or shine - to a festival where admission and fun is always free. For schedule of events and details, call 410-730-4610 or visit www.oaklandmills.org.

Robinson Nature Center

Scope out The Night Sky, Sat., **Oct. 3**, 6:30- 9:30 p.m., 6692 Cedar Lane, Columbia, MD. Preregistration is highly encouraged to save your family's spot. Call 410-313-0400 to www.howardcountymd.gov/RNCprograms.htm Contact: 410-313-0400

Sundays At Three

Chamber Music Series begins its 19th year of concerts with the Kobayashi/Gray Duo. The internationally distinguished violin and piano team will perform music by Beethoven, Dvorak, Debussy, Piazzolla, and three pieces by little known women composers, Rosalind Ellicott, Emilie Mayer and Marie Clémence de Grandval. Sun., **Oct. 4**, 2015, 3:00 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, 6800 Oakland Mills Rd, Columbia. Adults \$15. Age 17 and under admitted free with an adult. www.SundaysAtThree.org or 443-288-3179.

Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue

Fire Prevention week, Sat. **Oct. 10**, 12-2 p.m., the Mall in Columbia. More information www.hcdfrs.org

**Members of the Howard County community
are invited to join the Board of Education for**

Coffee & Conversation



The Board of Education of Howard County regularly holds *Coffee & Conversation* sessions at schools throughout the county.

These meetings provide citizens with an opportunity to share a cup of coffee and chat informally with Board members. The meetings are held in various regions of the county; however, interested persons from throughout the county are invited to attend any or all of the meetings.

**The next *Coffee & Conversation*
With the Board of Education will be held:**

**Saturday, October 24, 2015, 9:30 - 11 a.m.
Deep Run ES Cafeteria
6925 Old Waterloo Road, Elkridge, MD 21075**