# COUGAR NEWS

## **UPCOMING DATES:**

Oct 10	National Walk to School Day
Oct 9	Interim Progress Reports issued
Oct 11	Vision and Hearing Screening
Oct 18	Wear Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness
Oct 19	Schools closed - Professional Work Day
Oct 25	Vision and Hearing Re-Screening
Nov 6	Schools closed - General Election Day
Nov 7	Schools closed for students - Professional Work Day
<b>N</b> ov 19	Schools close 3 hours early – Parent/teacher conferences
Nov 20	Schools close 3 hours early – Parent/teacher conferences
Nov 21	Schools closed for students - Parent/teacher conferences
Nov 22-23	Schools closed – Thanksgiving Holiday

# Cougar Club Dates:

Each month students that meet the Cougar ROAR expectations for the whole month earn time for Cougar Club. Some Cougar Club activities are extra recess, making a craft, playing board games, extra computer time, etc. Congratulations to all our Cougar Club classes!

Oct 5	5 <sup>th</sup> grade
Oct 26	2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> grade
Oct 29	K
Oct 30	1st grade
Nov 1	4 <sup>th</sup> grade

#### From the Principal's Den.....



Welcome to Fall 2018!!

The first month of school has certainly flown by us! It was great to see everyone at our annual Back to School evenings last week. We hope that you found these evenings to be informative and helpful. It truly serves as the kickoff event to building our connection from the home to school. We love hearing feedback and suggestions from our CES community. Please feel free to email us any new ideas or thoughts regarding the structure of our BTSN events.

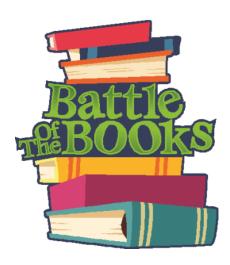
As I visited our classrooms and hallways this first month, I was excited to see the growth students are making in all areas. Many classrooms have spent time getting to know each other and sharing what makes everyone unique and different. They have spent time building their classroom communities.

Clarksville ES is continually committed to developing a growth mindset school environment for all our students...a place where all students and staff believe that with effort and perseverance, they can succeed. A growth mindset is the belief that intelligence, skills, and talent are malleable, and they can change with effort, perseverance, and practice. Many of our classroom teachers will be celebrating our students' progress by displaying bulletin boards, sending home examples of students' work who have made gains in the area of growth mindset, as well as share resources with our parent community on how they can support growth mindset at home. Keep in mind....having a true growth mindset takes time and practice. Stay tuned for opportunities for participating in building our growth mindset school community!

A big Cougar Roar out to our fabulous PTA who provided lunch for our CES staff the first week of school. We are truly blessed to have such caring, dedicated parents in our community! Please be sure to join our PTA this year. Clarksville ES needs the support of all of our parents and their contributions.

Personally, I am honored to serve as the leader of the CES school community. I am looking forward to another productive, exciting school year at CES! Thank you for sharing your children with us each and every day. We are proud to be a part of their lives. Go Cougars!!!!!! Respectfully,

Robin Malcotti



All 5th grade students will be receiving a Battle of the Books Presentation during Media class in the next week.

## What is the Battle?

It is a voluntary reading activity for fifth graders in Howard County Public Schools. Teams of students read a set of 13 assigned books. On April 5, 2019 teams from different elementary schools will meet to answer questions about the books. Interested fifth graders need to form into teams of 5 students. Each team needs an adult coach (a parent, relative, or community member). Teams must register online at <a href="https://www.hclibrary.org">www.hclibrary.org</a> beginning 10/19/18. Registration will close on Nov.2<sup>nd</sup> or until capacity is reached. This is a wonderful opportunity to participate in a fun reading activity! There will be more information coming home with your child in the next week. For more details and rules, visit the Howard County Public

Library website at www.hclibrary.org and click on "A+ Students and Teachers."

Ms. Britton, Mr. Schwab, and Mr. Weiskind are also happy to answer questions at Donna\_britton@hcpss.org, Robert\_schwab@hcpss.org,

Benjamin\_weiskind@hcpss.org, or 410 313-7050.



#### October 8, 2018 -November 16, 2018

Clarksville Elementary will be hosting our annual Kids Helping Kids food drive. We are asking that each child, over the next month to donate non-perishable items to this great cause. We look forward to helping other children in need all over the state of Maryland. Thank you for your support. Examples of Approved Items (Non-Perishable): tuna fish, applesauce, cereal, noodles, soup, rice, peanut butter, oatmeal.



#### **BACKWARDS DAY OCTOBER 12, 2018**

Show your school spirit by participating in backwards day. Backwards day is the one day you can get away with doing everything backwards. Try writing backwards or reading backwards. Wear your shirt or jacket with the back in the front. Eat your meal, starting with dessert! Now that's what I call fun! Walk backwards or talk backwards. Play a board game backwards from finish line to the start. This day is limited only by your imagination.



#### OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup> - VISION & HEARING SCREENING



## **HCPSS Connect:**



Wondering where you can learn more about your child's teachers? Wishing you could see links to their curriculum? Want resources to help your child at home? **Canvas** has all that & more! Parents access Canvas through HCPSS Connect: <a href="http://www.hcpss.org/connect/">http://www.hcpss.org/connect/</a>.

## **Tweet Tweet!**



Follow Clarksville Elementary on Twitter @hcpss\_ces

Don't have a Twitter account? No problem. You can still check out some of the awesome things happening around CES by checking out: <a href="https://twitter.com/hcpss\_ces">https://twitter.com/hcpss\_ces</a>



## Clarksville Elementary School Chick-fil-A Family Night

Mark your calendar for Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup> for a Family Night of fun and good food at the Clarksville Chick-fil-A. The event will start at 4:30pm and end at 7:30pm. Clarksville Elementary School will receive a percentage of the proceeds. Please mention CES Spirit Night before you order so we get credit for the sale!

4:30pm-5:30pm Principal Malcotti and Assistant Principal Slattery, staff and the Clarksville Cougar will be greeting students and families.

Please come and support our school!

# Recycling Ink & Toner

We can recycle your ink or toner while helping to earn money for Clarksville's technology supplies at the same time! They can be new <u>or</u> used, expired <u>or</u> in-date, from your home <u>or</u> your office.... We take it all! This recycling effort is on-going, so you can send them anytime throughout the school year. Please label them "**for Mrs. Volker**". Thank you for going green!

From,

Mrs. Volker (Technology Teacher)

Eileen\_Volker@hcpss.org





## **OCTOBER 10, 2018**

Join Children and adults around the world to celebrate the benefits of walking and bicycling!

International Walk to School Day is a global event that involves communities from more than 40 countries walking and biking to school on the same day. It began in 1997 and as a one-day event. Over time, this event has become part of a movement for year-round safe routes to school and a celebration – with record breaking participation- each October. Today, thousands of schools across America – from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico – participate every October.

Please join us at the River Hill High School blacktop at 8:50am for some stretching, cheering and picture taking. Then we will head up to school as a GREEN community. Hope to see you there!



#### **The Haunted Experience**

Whether you choose fright or fun, a memorable experience awaits you... an ink black night sets the stage for a spooky hay ride through the eerie trails to the ghostly dwelling deep in the woods. Hear haunting tales of ghosts and goblins and horror that will tingle the spine!

\$10 at gate (cash only)

7 yrs. + Rockburn Branch Pk (Montgomery Rd)

Oct 19 & 26 7-10pm Friday Oct 20 & 27 6:30-10pm Saturday

Inclement Weather: 410-313-4451

## **Happy Haunted Hayride**

It's cute, it's friendly and not so scary. This hayride is for fun – not fright! \$5 at gate (cash only)

2-7 yrs. + Rockburn Branch Pk (Montgomery Rd)

Oct 21 & 28 2-4pm Sunday

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