

# Cougar News

March 3, 2017 Issue

## Upcoming dates:

Mar 6	Book Fair and Bingo Night 6:30pm-8:30pm
Mar 7-8	Book Fair 4:00pm-6:00pm
Mar 9	Book Fair 1:00pm-8:00pm
Mar 9-10	Early dismissal for Student - 12:50pm Dismissal Parent Teacher Conferences
Mar 13-16	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Grass roots project
Mar 16	CES Spirit Day - Sport Day
Mar 17	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Field Trip: Robinson Nature Center 11am-2pm
Mar 20	Kindergarten Field Trip: Baltimore Museum Industry
Mar 22	Family Fitness Fun Night - 6:00pm-8:00pm

## Upcoming Testing dates:

It is very important for all students to be tested. If possible, please plan appointments around testing dates/times.

Grade 5 MISA	March 20 <sup>th</sup> , 21 <sup>st</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 23 <sup>rd</sup> (11:45am-1:15pm)
Grade 3 PARCC ELA	April 26 <sup>th</sup> , 27 <sup>th</sup> , 28 <sup>th</sup> (9:30am-11:30am)
PARCC Math	May 8 <sup>th</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> , 12 <sup>th</sup> (9:30am-11:30)
Grade 4 PARCC ELA	April 26 <sup>th</sup> , 27 <sup>th</sup> , 28 <sup>th</sup> (1:20pm-3:45pm)
PARCC Math	May 8 <sup>th</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> , 12 <sup>th</sup> (1:20pm-3:45)
Grade 5 PARCC Math	May 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> (9:30am-11:30pm)
PARCC ELA	May 15 <sup>th</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> (9:30am-11:30am)

## Cougar Club Dates:

Each month students that meet the Cougar expectations the whole month can participate in the Cougar Club. Some activities are extra recess, making a craft, playing board games, and extra computer time.

Mar 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Grade 4
Mar 9 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 5
Mar 27	Grade 2
Mar 31 <sup>st</sup>	Kindergarten, Grade 1, Grade 3
April 7 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 5
April 24 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 2
April 27 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 4
April 28 <sup>th</sup>	Kindergarten, Grade 1, Grade 3

## Upcoming SLT Dates:

We're having a great year thanks in part to our SLT members. Students should report to the Media center on the dates listed below by 8:30am. Thanks for your support

March 16	8:30am
April 20 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am

## *From the Principal's Den*

Happy Spring to all! What an amazing mild winter we had this year! We are already starting to see the flower buds come out...not long until Spring Break!

We want to give a sincere thank you to our future kindergarten families for attending our Kindergarten Open House. Your attendance was much appreciated. We are all excited to meet our new little Clarksville Cougar Cubs in September!

We want to also thank all our Clarksville parents for their involvement in our annual Valentine's Day celebrations. The students had a great time! We also want to take the time to give a big shout out to all of our talented, artistic students at Clarksville ES who have artwork displayed at HCPSS Youth Art Exhibit this past month. What a showcase of creativity and artistic ability!

We also want to congratulate all of our Clarksville ES students who participated in the Unheard Perspectives Contest and the Black History Expo 2017. These students put forth great effort and time to creating their presentations and preparation for the contest. Way to go!!! We are proud of each of you and your accomplishments.

The month of March is full of many events. Please be sure to check out our school calendar and Canvas page as well as our PTA newsletter for important reminder announcements. Parent teacher spring conferences are scheduled for March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. There will be early dismissals for students on both dates. Enjoy the start of spring all!

Warm regards,

Ms. Malcotti

## ***CES Book Fair***

Today is the 1st day of the Scholastic Book Fair in the Media Center!!

Come and shop today through Thursday and support our efforts to bring fantastic visiting authors to CES every year!

Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup>: 4:00 to 9:00pm (BINGO at 6:30pm in the cafeteria)

Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>: 4:00 to 6:00pm

Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>: 4:00 to 6:00pm

Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup>: 1:00 to 8:00pm - conference day.

We have hundreds of the latest children's books - some of which are only available at the book fairs.

Hope to see you there!

## ***Kindergarten and New to CES 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Registration***

If you missed our registration week, you can still register your kindergarten student or new to our school 1<sup>st</sup> grade students. We accept walk in registration from 11:00am–2:00pm M-F or you can call our front office to set up an appointment (410-313-7050).

Please visit the Howard County Public School System webpage for more information.  
<http://www.hcpss.org/schools/kindergarten-registration/>

## ***From the Health Room:***

Parents of Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> graders,

Please check that the clothing your child has at school is weather and size appropriate clothing. Having those little mishaps can be embarrassing enough.

Hearing and Vision screening: The screening will be April 27<sup>th</sup>. This screening will be for all Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> grade and new students to Maryland schools. If your child wears hearing or vision aids (glasses or hearing aid) please be sure that he/she has them on the day of screening. Volunteers are needed. Please email Ms. Mathis at [denise\\_mathis@hcpss.org](mailto:denise_mathis@hcpss.org) if you can help.

All parents:

Just a reminder students need to remain home when they have had a fever, diarrhea, vomiting, and other possibly communicable illnesses. Students must remain fever free for 24 hours WITHOUT fever reducing medications (Advil, Motrin, Tylenol).

## Pennies for Patients Starts March 27th

Pennies for Patients makes an even bigger difference than you may think.



If you don't know someone with a blood cancer, you probably know someone who has battled another form of cancer. More than **40% of new cancer therapies** approved by the FDA between 2000 and 2015 were first approved for blood cancer patients but now help others as well. Working together on our Pennies for Patients campaign, we can turn our spare change into real help for real people!

If you have questions about Pennies for Patients, contact your child's teacher or our school program coordinator, Ms. Becker. Or visit [LLS.org](http://LLS.org). Thanks to families like yours, we are that much closer to finding a cure for blood cancers.

## Afternoon Dismissals

Please remember to send in a note or email your teacher if there is going to be a change in your student's afternoon dismissal. This information is very important to ensure your student gets home safely.

## Lost and Found

We have many items in the Lost and Found. If your student has lost something (coats, hats, gloves, etc...), please have them check out our Lost and Found located in the cafeteria.

## School Supplies

Parents, we have reached the halfway point of the school year and about this time, pencils and glue sticks have been used up. Please check with your student to see if they need additional supplies. Thank you for making sure your students have the tools they need to succeed in school.

## Field Trip Planner for 2016-2017

Below is a *current* summary of planned field trips and details about those trips. Additional field trips will be added as approved. Please note that in an attempt to minimize the financial impact, the permission slip and money may be due long before the trip occurs.

GRADE	TRIP TO	TRIP DATE	COST
4	The Walters Art Museum	March 17	\$3.00
2	Breadmake	April 20	\$8.75
5	Philadelphia	April 20	\$68.75
1	Goucher College	April 26	\$22.75
4	Historic London Town	May 5	\$18.75
2	Howard City Conservancy	May 12	\$10.50

Multiple grades	Cougar Day @ River Hill High School	May 3	TBD