

CLEMENS CROSSING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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FROM THE DESKS OF THE ADMINISTRATION

Happy New Year! We hope you had an enjoyable Winter Break. It is nice to see our students back in school and engaged in learning. January is shaping up to be a busy month. Listed below are important dates and events over the next few weeks.

Connecting with Canvas Parent Information Night & PTA Meeting

Our monthly PTA meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 11th. Prior to the PTA meeting at 6:15 p.m., our technology teachers, Mrs. Rausch and Mrs. Chuppetta, will host our third parent information night this year. The topic will be "Connecting with Canvas." Canvas is our Learning Management System. Canvas is used in all grades in all Howard County Schools. In addition to teacher and student platforms, there is a parent portal. We hope the information will give parents insight about Canvas and how we are going to be using it in the future.

ELA Parent Information Night

On January 23rd, please join us for the ELA Parent Information Night. The purpose of that session is to share our English Language Arts program with parents. The session will be in the media center at 7:00 p.m.

PTA Restaurant Day at Chick-fil-A

On January 10th, PTA is sponsoring another restaurant day with our new business partner, Chick-fil-A. The restaurant will give the CCES PTA a portion of profits all day from 6:00 a.m. through 10:00 p.m. Take a break from cooking and join Clemens Crossing friends at the Chick-fil-A at 10975 Johns Hopkins Rd, Laurel, MD 20723. Please be sure to tell them you are from CCES.

The Great Kindness Challenge

CCES will be participating in The Great Kindness Challenge from January 23rd through January 31st. The Great Kindness Challenge is one school week devoted to performing as many acts of kindness as possible. Children will be able to choose from a list of 50 items, but they are not limited to those 50 acts of kindness.

Band/Strings Winter Concert

Our annual Band & Strings Winter Concert will take place on January 18th. The Strings Concert starts at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Band Concert at 7:30 p.m.

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Middle School Parent Information Nights

As part of the elementary school to middle school transition, all middle schools will be holding Parent Information Nights for incoming 6th grade students during the month of January.

Dates and times are as follows:

- **Wilde Lake Middle School** - January 25, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. (snow date of January 2/1/17). Wilde Lake MS is located at 10481 Cross Fox Lane, Columbia MD 21044
- **Harper's Choice Middle School** - January 12, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Harper's Choice MS is located at 5450 Beaverkill Rd, Columbia MD 20144
- **Lime Kiln Middle School** - January 25, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. Lime Kiln MS is located at 11650 Scaggsville Road, Fulton, MD 20759

It's Cold Outside!

Children go outside for recess unless it is below 20 degrees, (wind chill or ambient temperature). It is important the children get fresh air and have exercise so we ask that they are dressed for the weather.

Please write your child's name in coats and jackets. Remind them to place hats and gloves in their pockets or sleeves. No one should share a hat with a friend. If something is missing, check the lost and found located in the hall across from the music rooms.

CCES Storify December

Review our Twitter and Facebook feed on Storify.

https://storify.com/CCES_HCPSS/clemens-crossing-weeks-of-december-12-19-2016

PTA

A+ Giant Rewards

Don't forget to register your Giant Food card for A+ Rewards. Clemens Crossing's school ID is **01008**. It is simple and it means so much to our school.

Box Tops

Box Tops for Education are being collected. Please cut out the Box Tops and send them into school. We just received a check for \$850.00, so each Box Top counts!

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PTA Restaurant Day at Chik-Fil-A!

Our next Restaurant Night is Tuesday, January 10th! Come out to **Chick-fil-A** in Maple Lawn (10975 Johns Hopkins Rd) and see all your CCES friends! Chick-fil-A will donate 20% of the proceeds to CCES. 6:00 am to 10:00 pm -- that's ALL DAY -- dine-in, drive through, or carry out. No flier is necessary! Just tell the person taking your order BEFORE you order that you are with CCES. There's also an indoor kids playground at the restaurant -- super fun in the cold winter month of January. Hope to see you there January 10!

International Night - March 3rd, 6:30pm - 8:30pm in the CCES Gymnasium

Please mark your calendar for a fun filled evening where you and your children will have an opportunity to experience other cultures in our CCES family. For the first hour, people will be able to visit different country tables and do some crafts. This will be followed by a "Parade of Nations" where children can showcase their traditional attire. Starting at 7:30pm, there will be an interactive taiko performance by Mark H Rooney. Last year we had tables representing Afghanistan, Bangladesh, China, Colombia, Denmark, Ecuador, France, India, Israel, Mexico, Moldova, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Scotland, South Korea, Spain, and Taiwan. If you are able to host a table or help with the event, please email Katie at katiejvans@yahoo.com or sign up through this link <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090448a4a928a46-international1>

COMMUNITY



SAVE THE DATE!

Mark your calendars for a FREE FAMILY CLEMENS CROSSING Wellness Event...

FIT2Order's FIT Family Night!

When: January 26, 2017

Time: 6-8pm

Highlighted Stations to include:

Kid Friendly Boot Camp

Karate

Zumba

Yoga

Dance Party Finale

Parent Nutritional Workshop

Wellness Tables

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NOTE: A PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST ACCOMPANY CHILDREN TO THE EVENT.

To register for the event from January 12th thru 25th, go to www.fit2order.com

For more information, please contact Michele Scarborough at mscarborough1979@gmail.com

DATES TO REMEMBER

Subscribe to the CCES Google Calendar - *Did you know that you can subscribe to the CCES calendar?*

This means all events on our calendar can appear on your personal calendar on any of your devices.

Tuesday, January 10 th	Restaurant Day at Chik-Fil-A 6:00a.m. – 10:00p.m.
Wednesday, January 11 th	Parent Info Night: Connecting with Canvas – 6:15p.m. Media Center PTA Meeting – 7:00p.m. Media Center
Monday, January 16 th	SCHOOL CLOSED – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Wednesday, January 18 th	CCES Winter Concerts Strings – 6:30p.m.; Bands – 7:30p.m. Cafeteria
Monday, January 23 rd	Parent Info Night: ELA – 7:00p.m. Media Center
Monday, January 23 rd thru 31 st	Great Kindness Challenge Week
Friday, January 27 th	NO SCHOOL – Professional Work Day