

November 10, 2017

Greetings Tiger Sharks!

We had a remarkable week! Last Saturday, WLMS hosted the Maryland STEM Festival. It was exciting to see students, parents, and community members from around the state gather, get excited, and network about Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics opportunities! Governor Larry Hogan and Lieutenant Governor Boyd Rutherford stopped by to show their support. Thank you to both the WLMS & WLHS PTSA for co-sponsoring this event! We would especially like to thank our own PTSA STEM Coordinator, Matta Zeinali, for all of her coordination of this endeavor. In addition, Maryland State Comptroller, Peter Franchot, visited WLMS on Wednesday along with our superintendent, Dr. Martirano. Our new Student Government Association (SGA) officers, Jessa Torres (President-8th), Jeremiah Torres (Vice President-7th), and Veer Tuliani (Secretary of “The Lake”-6th) did a fine job of leading our visitors on a tour of the building.

Did you know that International Kindness Day is Monday, November 13th? At WLMS, we will celebrate by asking students to “Wear Blue”. In addition, students will be invited to participate in an activity that aligns with the upcoming hit movie “Wonder” and involves creating a poster with a self-portrait and personal “Choose Kind” quote.

Quarter 1 Awards Recognition Assembly – will take place on **Wed. Nov. 29th**. The WLMS Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Committee invites parents to attend the awards recognition assemblies. The event is very informal and will recognize students for the following 1st quarter accomplishments: Principal’s Honor Roll – All A’s, Gold Honor Roll – All A’s and B’s or 3.0 or higher grade point average, Silver Honor Roll - A’s, B’s, and one C with a 3.0 or higher grade point average. In addition, teachers will choose students from each grade level to receive the following awards: *Citizenship, Most Improved, Spotlight Awards, Students of the Month, Positive Office Referral Recipients*

A separate assembly will be held for each grade level:

7th Grade – 8:20 – 9:05 a.m.

8th Grade – 10:55 –11:40 a.m.

6th Grade – 1:15 –2:00 p.m.

Stay warm this weekend!

Anne Swartz, Lexi Couch, Denise Young, James McVey

Important Dates:

November 13-17 – American Education Week
November 13 – NHS Induction 7:00pm
November 14 – Booster Meeting 6:30pm
November 14 – PTSA Meeting 6:30pm
November 15 – 8th grade Fieldtrip to Washington, DC
November 16-22 – Book Fair
November 17 – Activity Day
November 17 – Report Cards Issued
November 20 – 22 Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 20-21 – 3 Hour Early Dismissal
November 22 – No school for Students
November 23-24 – Thanksgiving Holiday

During the week of November 13-17, Wilde Lake Middle will join schools across the nation in celebrating “American Education Week”. The WLMS Staff cordially invites you to come out and visit your child at Wilde Lake and gain a snapshot of how he/she operates in his/her instructional setting. Please mark your calendars! You are welcome and encouraged to join us any day or time during this week.

The first round of **parent teacher conferences** will take place on **Monday, November 20th, Tuesday, November 21st, and Wednesday, November 22nd**. The window for you to schedule conferences with your student's teachers (You may sign up to meet with a maximum of 4 teachers.) opens **MONDAY November 6th at 8AM** and closes on **Thursday, November 16 at 3PM**. *The HCPSS Connect Parent Conference Registration directions are attached.* Please note ~ If teachers have had conferences both Monday and Tuesday evenings, they will not be available on Wednesday.

The **WLMS book fair** arrived on November 10th
Students will visit the media center during their Social Studies classes on November 13 – 15 to make their wish-lists. Purchases will begin on November 16th during Homeroom and Lunch, and continue until November 22nd. Cash, Checks (and for adults, Credit & Debit Cards) will be accepted.

Thank you! Hope to see you all at the book fair!