

December 23, 2020

Dear WLMS Community,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a restful, relaxing, and healthy winter break. As 2020 ends I want to commend our staff, students, and community for their flexibility, adaptability, and perseverance through all that has occurred. I am confident with such a dedicated and supportive school community we will come back in 2021 and continue to provide our students with opportunities for greatness. Thank you again for all you do to support the WLMS community and #MakingGreatThingsHappen.

Best wishes for a safe and healthy break.

Mr. Rattay
Principal

Important Dates

December 24 – January 3 – Winter Break

January 14 – Incoming 21/22 6th grade orientation

January 28 – 2nd Semester Back to School Night

January 29 – Professional Development – no school for students

February 1 – 2nd Semester Begins

February 5 – Report cards issued

February 26 – Virtual Taste of Soul 6-8pm

Thank You

Thank you to Dayton Oaks Elementary School and Mount View Middle School for supporting our community during this holiday season! Our community very much appreciates the partnership.

The Tiger Shark Theater Company of Wilde Lake Middle School, is proud to present our tribute to the Golden Age of Radio. This season, we will be presenting a series of six classic radio plays from this iconic era. So grab a snack, get comfy, and enjoy our premier audio productions of *“The Locked Room Mystery”* and *“The Gift of the Magi”*.

<https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/34491/pages/tiger-shark-radio-theatre>

Stay tuned after Winter Break for the continuation of our series, starting with Richard Durham’s *Destination Freedom*; *“The Death of Aesop”*! Enjoy!
Mr. Kurstin, Ms. Nibber, and the Tiger Shark Theatre Company

WLMS Spelling Bee

We are pleased to announce that Wilde Lake Middle will be having a spelling bee this year, although it will be a bit different from past years. In place of our traditional spelling bee program, we will hold two levels of competition through online spelling tests created by the National Spelling Bee organization. The student with the highest score on the final test will be named the school champion.

The preliminary multiple-choice round closes January 14.

The top 20 students will be invited to the WLMS final bee on January 21 to take the bee live in a google meet. Our school champion will then move on to represent WLMS in the Howard County Library System Spelling Bee on March 20th, 2021.

If you have any questions about this process, please email at sarah_russo@hcpss.org.

For registration and more information visit:

<https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/34491/pages/2020-spelling-bee>

PTSA:

Happy Holidays from the PTSA! We hope to continue to help support the WLMS community in 2021.

Spiritwear:

Need a last minute Holiday gift? WLMS Flash sale on all spiritwear \$10!!! Check our website for pictures and order. We have limited availability!

We still need a Membership and grade liasions committee lead. Please reach out to christineporras@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering or want to be added to our mailing list. Check out our new website <https://tigersharks.new.memberhub.store/>

Become part of the PTSA:

<https://tigersharks.new.memberhub.store/>

PTSA Meeting:

Join us Thursday, January 21st for our monthly virtual Zoom PTSA meeting. Don't miss the principals corner, where Prinicipal Rattay gives us an update on what's going on with WLMS.

Got an idea?

Reach out and tell us about it, we are looking for ways for the kids to connect and are looking for ideas. Please email christineporras@gmail.com or join us at our next meeting.