

WLMS Newsletter November 22, 2019

It was so great to see all the parents/guardians this week for American Education Week. We hope you enjoyed your visit and came away with some knowledge of all the interesting and educational programs we offer our students.

Today we held our annual Turkey Trot race during our “Wilde Lake Spirit Day”. There was some enthusiastic competition within each grade. The first place winners received a turkey, second place received a pie, and third place in each grade received a box of stuffing. Also today, we celebrated the academic success of our students. Principal, Gold and Silver Honor Roll students received their certificates and “dog tags” in class.

Reminder, next week is parent/teacher conference week. The students will be dismissed 3 hours early both Monday and Tuesday (at 11:45), and there is no school for students on Wednesday.

We will not be sending out a newsletter next week, so have a wonderful Thanksgiving Break.

Important Dates:

- Nov. 24 – PTSA Fundraiser – Main Event 11-2
- Nov. 25 – 26 – 3 hour early dismissal for parent/teacher conferences
- Nov. 25 – 27 – Book Fair – proceeds benefit the Media Center
- Nov. 27 - No school for students
- Nov. 28 – Dec. 1 – Thanksgiving Holiday – Schools & Offices closed
- Dec. 3 – WLMS Jazz Concert – WLMS 7:00pm
- Dec. 5 – Booster Fundraiser – Barnes & Noble 4:30 – 8:30
- Dec. 9 – 6th grade Fieldtrip – Library
- Dec. 9th – High Schools visit 8th graders at WLMS
- Dec. 10 – Jazz Band visit Elementary Schools
- Dec. 10 – 11 – Hour of Code in Science Classes
- Dec. 12, 13, 14 – 7:00 pm Drama Production - “A Night of Comedy”

Lost and Found – we have many items in our lost and found. If your child did not come home with a jacket, sweatshirt, lunchbox, etc...please check the lost and found coat rack in the front hallway. All items not claimed after Conference Week, will be donated to charity.

The Howard County Department of Community Resources and Services is inviting families to a Thanksgiving Dinner at the Slayton House on Tuesday, November 26 from 6:00pm to 8:30pm. See the attached flier for more information.

PTSA NEWS

MAIN EVENT FUN DAY- Come to Main Event on Sunday, November 24th from 11AM to 2PM! All you need to do is spend at Main Event and give us (the PTSA) will be there to collect receipts. Part of the

proceeds will go directly to the WLMS PTSA. We will also be there raffling off some very cool items! Look for us and pick up some raffle tickets. Hope to see you there!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES (GENERAL) - We cannot do this alone, it takes a village and we need you - help, time, money, ideas or all of the above. We created this form to help collect volunteer information and will keep this open as long as we have positions that need to be filled. Trust me, we understand that there isn't enough time in the day but our kids and WLMS needs for us to join forces and make this a great school year. The WLMS PTSA believes in taking help in any shape or form, if you have a friend and want to run something together, that's great; if you don't have time but want to direct donate, that's great; if you want to donate food for our events, that's great! You get the idea ;)

We want to work with you and with your availability, below you will find all the non-executive positions (this means you do NOT have to regularly attend meetings, phew!) that are currently in need of a volunteer(s). Again, these positions, for the most part, can be shared or run on your own - that means if you want to help but aren't sure you can fully commit, we encourage you to volunteer and we can figure out the details once we collect all the community feedback. #ittakesavillage

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Performing Arts Booster News:

Boosters Fundraiser

We would like to let everyone know that our event will be held at **Barnes and Noble** at Columbia Mall on Thursday December 5th, 2019 from 4:30 to 8:30 pm. We will have wonderful student entertainment 6:30 to 7:30. We will be providing gift wrapping and we hope to see everyone there!

Please visit the **Community News and Programs** page at <https://www.hcpss.org/community-news-and-programs/> for announcements of upcoming events and programs sponsored by non-profit organizations.