

# KNIGHTLY NEWS

2-21-2023

**2/24:** Honor Roll celebration (ice cream sandwiches and/or popsicles available) *If you do not want your child to receive ice cream and/or popsicle, please email [Ashley\\_anderson@hcpss.org](mailto:Ashley_anderson@hcpss.org)*

**2/27:** Band Assessment & Adjudication @ Howard HS (Wind Ensemble - 5:30PM)

**3/01:** Band Assessment & Adjudication @ Howard HS (Concert Band - 5:25PM)

**3/06: Spring Picture Day**

**3/07:** Orchestra Assessment @ Reservoir HS (Chamber Orchestra - 2:10PM)

**3/07:** Orchestra Assessment @ Reservoir HS (String Orchestra - 4:00PM)

**3/07:** Orchestra Adjudication @ Reservoir HS (String Ensemble - 5:00PM)

**3/15: 3 Hour Early Dismissal**

**3/28:** Chorus Assessment & Adjudication @ River Hill HS (6th Treble Choir - 11:10AM)

**3/28:** Chorus Assessment & Adjudication @ River Hill HS (Concert Choir - 12:10PM)

**3/28:** Chorus Assessment & Adjudication @ River Hill HS (Select Treble - 2:55PM)

**3/31: 3 Hour Early Dismissal**

**3/31:** #OnePatapsco Day of Belonging

**SAVE THE DATE: Patapsco Wellness Evening (a student and family event) April 27, 2023**

Refer to the [Patapsco Calendar](#) to stay up to date with all the events at Patapsco Middle School.

## Important Phone Numbers

School Office: 410-313-2848

Student Services: 410-313-2850

Health Room: 410-313-2574

## Yearbooks

The last day to guarantee a Patapsco Middle School Yearbook for the 22-23 school year is February 24. You can order through [jostensyearbooks.com](http://jostensyearbooks.com). If you are unsure whether you have already ordered, you can check your email for a subject titled "Jostens Order Confirmation" and check the date that it is for this current school year, OR you can email the Yearbook Adviser, Kalina Salsman, at [kalina\\_salsman@hcpss.org](mailto:kalina_salsman@hcpss.org). After February 24, yearbooks will remain on sale until they are sold out.

**8<sup>th</sup> Graders and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Families:** The Yearbook Club is once again collecting pictures for our "Before We Were Knights" pages. These pictures are photos of our current 8<sup>th</sup> graders in the years before they became Patapsco Knights. The photos can be individual or group photos, but they should be of only current 8<sup>th</sup> graders. They can be a baby, toddler, elementary school, or any other picture you'd like to send in. NOTE: It is optional to submit. If you would like to submit a

photo please email it to Kalina Salsman at [kalina\\_salsman@hcpss.org](mailto:kalina_salsman@hcpss.org).

## Spring Picture Day is Coming!

It is time to order that perfect spring picture of your student. Lifetouch will be at Patapsco on **Monday, March 6, 2023** to take your child's portrait. Packages can be ordered [online](#). Flyers went home on Friday in Homeroom.

Picture Day ID: **EVTCJWN3G**

See [flyer](#) for more information

## #OnePatapsco Day of Belonging

We are excited about returning this year's #OnePatapsco Day of Belonging (previously known as Culture Day)! We look forward to students sharing about their heritage, countries, cultures, and/or traditions and celebrating the rich diversity of our community. #OnePatapsco Day of Belonging will take place during the school day on 3/31 from 8:15 - 11:50 am. If your student is interested in presenting, fill out the form linked below. Please reach out to Ms. Kelly ([grace\\_kelly@hcpss.org](mailto:grace_kelly@hcpss.org)) with any questions.

[#OnePatapsco Day of Belonging Participant Interest Form](#)

## Students of the Month for January

Congratulations to the following Knights who have been nominated by our staff to be the January Students of the Month. They have exhibited being **Resilient, Responsible, and/or Respectful!**

| 6th        | 7th                 | 8th            |
|------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Arianna N. | Abby S.             | Aarya T.       |
| Athul V.   | Adaure E.           | Anderson C. V. |
| Darren C.  | Aditya P.           | Chloe C.       |
| Olanna E.  | Angela R.           | Elizabeth O.   |
| Om T.      | Caol E.             | Georbria B.    |
| Revati G.  | Eden K.             | George J.      |
| Suchay U.  | Elizabeth O.        | Jaelyn P.      |
| Swara C.   | Hannah D.           | Jamie S.       |
|            | Jadea (Khadijah) O. | Kosarachi O.   |

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|--|---------------|----------------------|
|  | Kenneth C. S. | Leela (Khaleelat) O. |
|  | Maya G.       | Lila M.              |
|  | Saamiah S.    | Michelle N.          |
|  | Sanai R.      | Raphael T.           |
|  | Sarayu A.     | Shiloh A.            |
|  | Zuri S.       |                      |

### **Mt. Hebron Mulch Sale:**

The annual Mt. Hebron PTSA Mulch Sale to benefit the High School After-Prom program is now open. This year's sale runs now through March 10th, with delivery on Saturday, March 25th.

**Delivery is FREE to residents within the Mt Hebron school district when you order 15 bags or more** of brown (3 cu ft) or black (2 cu ft) mulch. Smaller orders can be picked up at the high school on delivery day between 8-11 AM.

For a 15% discount on laying your mulch, contact Dispatch Day Sponsor and Mt. Hebron alums Ashton D'Alonzo and Jackson Williams, proud owners of [AJ's Lawn & Landscape](#), at 443-520-5258.

Don't need mulch? Consider making a monetary donation instead. Every dollar donated helps to reduce out-of-pocket program costs and allows us to gift tickets to students who might otherwise not be able to attend.

We are limiting our total number of bags this year to 6,000 – so get your order in early to ensure you don't miss out!

<https://mhsmulchsale.wixsite.com/mhsmulchsale/online-store?fbclid=IwAR0avNzuvPxlnMjnDsS2C3KV-ZgERjJiuggrUSo3Jmch6zAn4NvU31pltKg>

### **Media Center Reminders:**

As a reminder students should be bringing a charged chromebook and charger with them each and every day. This helps students be prepared with their tools for the day.

**There are a limited number of loaner chromebooks available. Only students with repairs will be allowed to check out a loaner for the day.**

What happens when a student forgets their device at home and doesn't have a repair?

- Call home if a parent / guardian is available to bring in
- Given a paper copy of an assignment / work with a partner
- Desktop available in media center to complete online assignments

We have also seen an increase in students not having charged devices. **Chargers are also limited and will not be available to check out for the day.**

Teachers have a limited number of chargers available in their classrooms if a student needs to charge during class. Students are given reminders to charge their devices at home and to bring their chargers with them to school.

What happens if a student loses their charger?

- Check with each of their classroom teachers
- Check at home and in vehicles
- Request a replacement

**Replacement chargers are \$25 and can be requested by going to the media center and speaking with Mrs. Snyder or Mrs. Murach.** Once posted to a student's account payments will be seen in your students My School Bucks account. You can check their account at <http://myschoolbucks.com/>.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email Mrs. Snyder or Mrs. Murach.

## **Patapsco Spirit Wear Store**

Link to School Spirit Wear Store: [1stplace.sale/43932](http://1stplace.sale/43932)

# PATAPSCO SPIRIT WEAR STORE



## Heart and Sole ♥👟

Heart and Sole helps girls (this includes any female-identifying and non-binary young people) unleash their potential by focusing on five key things: body, brain, heart, spirit, and connection. Heart and Sole is the 6th-8th grade Girls on the Run program. Coaches inspire girls to value what makes them unique, and together, participants uncover confidence and understand the importance of physical and emotional health. Girls work on setting goals geared toward physical and emotional health, and actualize those goals through exercise, discussion, and connection.

The spring program runs from Monday, March 20th (first practice) to Monday, June 5th (end-of-year celebration). Each season ends with a noncompetitive 5K (Saturday, June 3) where girls celebrate who they are, how far they have come, and where they want to go. The program will run after school on Mondays and Thursdays from 2:50 pm - 4:15 pm.

Participants must register through Girls on the Run of Central Maryland and can do so using the following link, once registration opens on Sunday, February 19th - [Heart & Sole Registration](#)

If you have questions/concerns about the program, registration process/fees (financial assistance is available!!), or anything else, please contact the intramural sponsor, **Ms. Grace Kelly** [grace\\_kelly@hcpss.org](mailto:grace_kelly@hcpss.org)

## **Student Absences, Late Arrivals and Early Dismissal as well as Parents/Guardians coming to school**

[Click link for information](#)

### **From the Health Room**

#### **6th grade parents:**

Here is a reminder that students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade are required to have one MCV4 (meningitis) and one Tdap vaccine prior to the first day of 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Some students may have already received these immunizations, but the Health Room may not have the updated record. Please contact your child's health care provider and send or fax an updated copy of your child's immunizations to the Health Room. If your student has not received these vaccines, parents should contact their health care provider to make an appointment for your student to obtain the required vaccines. The fax number for the Health Room is 410-313-1741 or you may send an email to [nelly\\_mensah\\_contractor@hcpss.org](mailto:nelly_mensah_contractor@hcpss.org) .

#### **2022-2023 Health & Safety – HCPSS**

Anyone that tests positive on an at home rapid should complete this form for the Maryland Department of health

[Maryland COVID Positive At-Home Test Report Portal / Portal de Maryland para Reportar Un Resultado Positivo de Una Prueba Casera del COVID | Maryland OneStop \(md.gov\)](#)

**Flu/Cold Season** [Click here for more information](#)

### **Community Notices**

HCPSS' [Community News and Programs](#) website makes it easy for families to find educational and recreational resources, events and after-school programs beyond the school day by non-profit organizations."

Community organizations requesting their announcements be shared in school newsletters should visit [community-programs.hcpss.org](http://community-programs.hcpss.org) for more information. Questions should be directed to the Public Information Office at [publicinfo@hcpss](mailto:publicinfo@hcpss)

## **[Knightly Newsletters](#)**

All previous newsletters are posted under News at <http://pms.hcpss.org/>