KNIGHTLY NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

9/30: PTA Fun Knight 7:00PM - 9:00PM

10/3: Bullying Prevention Month Kickoff - Wear Blue **10/3-10/4:** MAP Math assessment (in Math classes)

10/5: Schools and Offices closed

10/11: Music Booster Meeting, 6:30PM **10/12:** Knight Time Schedule/School Store

10/17: School Pictures

10/19: Unity Day- Wear Orange

10/21: School Closed - Professional Work Day **10/24:** School Closed - Professional Learning Day **10/26:** 6th Grade Outdoor Education Field Trip

10/31: Flu Vaccine Clinic at PMS

Pinktober Breast Cancer Awareness Month- Wear Pink

Refer to the <u>Patapsco Calendar</u> 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



Patapsco- a place where **everyone** is valued and important!

Stomp OUT BULLY ING!

Monday, Oct. 3wegr Blue **

Let's kick off bullying prevention month! #OnePatapsco

As fall is upon us and the days are getting cooler, we would like to let you know that we plan to continue with our outdoor lunch option as long as the weather permits. We encourage students that choose to eat their lunch outdoors to dress appropriately for the weather. We also go to recess as much as we can, even when it is cold. We want our students to dress appropriately for the colder months as the weather changes.

Intramural - Table Soccer

A hands on board game of skill and fun that simulates soccer. Starting October 12th. Permission Form

Student Absences, Late Arrivals and Early Dismissal

Click link for information

Lost and Found

Lost and Found is located outside of the Media Center. We will clean out forgotten items at the **end of every month**. Please emphasize to your student that it is their responsibility to keep track of their belongings, and to check the Lost and Found if they are missing something.

Music Boosters Meeting

Our next Music Boosters meeting will be on **Tuesday**, **October 11** at 6:30pm. The meeting will be held virtually using the Google Meet code **PMS-MUSICBOOSTERS**. You will need to login with your student's HCPSS credentials. We will be discussing event dates for this year, volunteer needs, fundraising, and more. Everyone is welcome. Hope to see you there!

Music Boosters

Feel like kicking off a long weekend with a night of arcade games, billiards, laser tag and bowling? Join us at the Main Event (https://www.mainevent.com/locations/maryland/columbia/) at the Columbia Mall on **October 20th from 5pm - 8pm.** 20% of the proceeds go to support our club.

If you are a returning Band, Orchestra or Chorus Family and have found that you've outgrown or no longer need your concert attire, we would gladly take them off your hands. All donations of polos, black pants, black skirts, and black dress shoes can be dropped off with anyone in the music department.

Picture Day

Lifetouch Photography will be at PMS to photograph students on Monday, October 17, 2022.

Packages can be ordered <u>online</u>. Picture Day ID: **EVT8V3B93** <u>Order form</u>
All students will need to be photographed for yearbook and administrative purposes, but only those submitting a completed order form online will receive a portrait package.

Yearbooks

Yearbooks are on sale for \$25. Yearbooks will be distributed the last week of school. Purchases can be made now through March (**personalization is only available through October 28th**). To order online, please visit: www.jostensyearbooks.com Flyers will be sent home Monday.

Clothing to Cash - easy donation!

Please donate to our Clothing to Cash fundraising program! Clothing to Cash is a textile

recycling program that donates money to the school for every pound of donated items. Look for the white donation bin in the parking lot. Clothing to Cash will accept items in ALL conditions: new with tags, or torn, stained, worn-out knees, shoes with holes or only one shoe, backpacks, old sheets, towels, blankets, stuffed animals and more. What a great way to help the school and clean out your closets! All donations must be bagged and put in the collection bin.

Math MAP (Measured Academic Progress) Testing

The Math MAP test will be administered on Monday, October 3rd and 4th. The data from the MAP assessment will help schools and teachers measure your student's academic progress. The MAP test does not affect grades and the difficulty adjusts depending on how your child responds. Please have your student come to school with a fully charged Chromebook on those days. Students may also bring wired headphones to use during the Math test.

Please note the following exceptions for middle school testing:

 Students taking HS level math classes(Alg1 or 2, Geometry or Statistics) do not take the Math Test.

Mt. Hebron's Annual Homecoming Pancake Breakfast

Please join us on **Saturday, October 8th from 7:30am - 10:30am** for breakfast in front of the school as we kick off an exciting day of Homecoming events celebrating our Viking Football, Marching Band, Cheer, and Lancer Programs.

Tickets will be \$8 in advance, or \$10 at the door. Children 5 and under are free.

Here is the link to purchase tickets in advance. Please be sure to put your name in the Purchase Notes section: https://osp.osmsinc.com/p/DA010-441

If you are interested in helping out with this event, please see the Sign Up Genius link below. MHHS Football Team: MHHS Pancake Breakfast (signupgenius.com)

If you are interested in helping out, but can't donate your time, we will graciously accept financial donations as this is an extremely important fundraiser for the football program. Donation checks should be made out to **MHHS - Football Program**.

Thank you for your support of the Mt. Hebron Football Program

GO VIKINGS!!! See flyer

6TH Grade Outdoor Education

Patapsco Middle School is excited that 6th grade students will be attending a field trip to Robinson Nature Center on Wednesday, October, 26th. Please watch for your child's permission slip to come home in their Patapsco Folders on Monday, October 3. Signed permission slips should be returned to your child's Geography teacher: Dr. Johnson or Mr. Ordovensky.

Flu Clinic

Our flu clinic for students and staff will be held on **October 31**st. Registration <u>must be completed</u> <u>online prior to Monday, October 17th</u>. You must be signed up to receive a flu shot. Click on the link to register for flu shot <u>https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/9206501699</u>.

This vaccine is a quadrivalent, meaning the vaccine is designed to protect against four different flu viruses, including two influenza A viruses and two influenza B viruses. This vaccine does not contain any preservatives, including thimerosal or mercury, because they are single dose syringes.

From the Health Room

<u>2022-2023 Health & Safety – HCPSS</u>

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)

Knightly Newsletters

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

Community Notices

HCPSS' <u>Community News and Programs</u> 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 for more information. Questions should be directed to the Public Information Office at publicinfo@hcpss.org