Deep Run Digest October 27, 2017

Important Dates

October 27, 2017	Spirit Day—Tacky Day
October 27, 2017	Boosterthon Kick-Off
October 31, 2017	Halloween Parade—more information to come
November 2, 2017	Book Mobile
November 3, 2017	Spirit Day—Wear DRES colors or spirit wear
November 3, 2017	PTA Bingo Night Doors open at 6:30
November 8, 2017	Boosterthon Fun Run
November 9, 2017	PTA Reptile Night 6:30
November 10, 2017	Wear Red, White, Blue for Veterans Day
November 10, 2017	End of the First Marking Period
	PBIS Celebration: Pumped Up Recess
	Dismissal at 12:55
November 13-17, 2017	American Education Week
	Kindness Week
November 15, 2017	PTA Meeting 7pm
November 17, 2017	Spirit Day—wear DRES colors or spirit wear
November 17, 2017	Report Cards Go Home

Important News

Halloween

Please see the attached Information Sheet.

Redistricting

At this time, all scenarios are just proposals. The Board of Education will make a decision on November 16th. Please provide your feedback on-line, in writing, or in person at a community meeting on November 7 at 7 pm at River Hill High School.

Conferences

Parent teacher conferences will be held on November 20 and 21. Parents of children in Preschool through $3^{\rm rd}$ grade will meet with the homeroom teacher. Parents of students in $4^{\rm th}$ or $5^{\rm th}$ will select one conference—math or reading. Since there are no conferences in February, parents wishing to meet with their child's other teacher, may contact the teacher to set up a time to talk. We will notify you as soon as HCPSS Connect is ready for conference sign up.

Candy for the Courageous

Please bring any extra, unopened Halloween candy to school in a zip lock bag **November 1-3.** We will be giving the candy to the USO at BWI airport, so that they can give it to our troops before they travel overseas. Students are encouraged write letters or cards to the troops, which will be given to our military. Last year, we collected 186 pounds of candy at Deep Run Elementary!

An Important Message about Bus Safety

Please review this important information with your children if they ride a bus:

- 1. Make sure that you arrive at your school bus stop at least 5 minutes before the scheduled pick-up time.
- 2. Never run toward or around a school bus at a bus stop or on school grounds.
- 3. Never retrieve items that fall under the bus or near the bus wheels.
- 4. Make sure that vehicles on the roadway are completely stopped before entering or crossing the roadway.
- 5. Never cross behind a school bus, always cross in front of the bus after the driver has signaled to you to cross.
- 6. Follow your bus driver's directions; they are there to make sure that you're safe."

From the Health Room

As we get into the school year, we will see LICE. It is part of school life. The health room is here to help! Here are some helpful tips and information regarding our favorite bugs.

- Lice are not harmful and cannot spread disease. They are just a nuisance!
- If you contract head lice it does not mean you are dirty. They actually prefer clean hair.
- Peak season for lice is August- October and January.
- If we find lice on your child in school, you will need to pick your child up and take them home for treatment. You can use over the counter lice killing shampoos to treat your child's head. The most important part is **PICKING OUT THE BUGS AND NITS.**
- Treatment is only needed once and you can retreat in 7 days. DO NOT retreat sooner than 7 days.
- Check all members of the house. Only treat the people you find bugs or nits on.

- Please bring in the box of the shampoo you use to the health room with your child the following morning. We will reassess your child. If we see bugs, they will have to go home. Students can stay in school with nits.
- Nits will appear as dandruff. The difference is, nits are hard to move off the hair shaft. Dandruff can easily be blown or wiped away. A nit will need to be held on to and pulled off.
- Lice do not like to live off the human head. They begin to die as soon as they leave their host. The bugs transfer from head to head (hair to hair) contact. They do not travel on book bags and jackets.

Please feel free to contact the health room (410-313-5022) if you have any questions or think your child may have lice.

Academic Enrichment Fair

There is an Academic Enrichment Fair on November 4th at Long Reach High School. Please see the attached flier for more information.

Last Week's News

Trunk or Treat

The PTA Trunk or Treat is tonight.

Multipurpose Field

We have had a great deal of trouble getting the grass to grow on our multipurpose field and the areas where the portables were. All these areas were recently sodded with beautiful green grass. We need to stay off these areas during school and after school hours so the sod can settle. Please do not use these areas.

Food and Coat Drive

Now through October 27, we are collecting food as part of the <u>Maryland Kids Helping Kids Food Drive</u> and coats for children in need. Please send in new or gently used, clean coats for children. We are also collecting non-perishable food. The most needed food items are: canned vegetables, boxed pasta, tuna, chicken, soups, beans, crackers in individual serving packs and granola bars. There are boxes in the front hallway for these items.

Hero of the Day

We are excited to re-launch our Deep Run Hero of the Day program! We look forward to having parents/guardians, grandparents, community leaders and other adults in our students' lives get involved at our school!!

What is Hero of the Day?

Hero of the Day is a program for caring adults to volunteer at Deep Run. Caring adults will greet students with high fives in the morning or during lunch. It is a school spirit program to show our students how much we all support them and care about them and their school.

Who can participate?

Parents/guardians, grandparents, community leaders and other adults in our students' lives.

When can I do it?

We will do our best to accommodate your schedule and find a time that is convenient for you. Usually, Heroes come visit Deep Run on Mondays and Wednesdays. Heroes who greet students at arrival will need to be at DRES by 8:45am. Heroes who greet students during lunch have a window of time from 10:45am-1:45pm to greet students. PLEASE FILL IN THE HOURS YOU WILL BE OUR HERO IN THE COMMENTS OF YOUR SIGNUP.

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4DAFAF2FA31-dres1

Why should I participate?

Kids LOVE to see caring adults in school. Your child will be proud to have you visit. Your participation sends a strong, positive message to all students that school is important. You will be a hero for the day!

How will I know what to do?

Your participation will be confirmed via phone or email. When you arrive you will be greeted and given a schedule to follow. A staff member will escort you through the schedule.

How do I find out more or sign up?

If you have questions, you can contact Glenna Deekle (DRES Family Involvement Contact) at 410-313-5000 or by email (Glenna_Deekle@hcpss.org).

From the Health Room

The health room is currently updating student health files. You may receive a notice of a missing physical form and/or a health problem form. If you receive one, please fill it out and return to the health room.

PTA News

Bingo—please see the attached flier.

Reptile Night—please see the attached flier.

Boosterthon Fun Run

The Boosterthon Kick-Off was today with pep rallies for all students. As your child about the pep rally and upcoming Fun Run!

Fun Run November 8th

5th 9:45 3rd 10:45

4th 11:45

K 12:45

2nd 1:45 1st 2:45

Fun Run RECC/PreK November 9th

AM 10:30 PM 2:30

Please join us! Volunteers are needed for the Pep Rally and on the days of the Fun Run. Volunteers are needed to cheer on the students and to mark the laps.

Box Tops

Support Deep Run Elementary by sending in Box Tops for Education labels. Please see the attached flyer for more information about the competition between grade levels.

Community News

Coat Day and Homeless Resources Fair on November $4^{\rm th}$ at Long Reach High School. See the attached flier.

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