

## Deep Run Digest June 9, 2017

### Important Dates

June 9, 2017	Last day for 1/2 day RECC and PreK programs
June 9, 2017	Yearbooks go home in Friday Folders
June 12, 2017	Grade 5 Promotion 9:45-11:00
June 12, 2017	PTA Meeting 7pm
June 13, 2017	Early Dismissal 12:55
June 14, 2017	Last Day of School, Early Dismissal 12:55 Report Cards will be mailed home.
September 1, 2017	New Student Orientation Grades 1-5 10:30 K Orientation 1:15 Pre-K through 5 <sup>th</sup> grade Open House 2:00-3:00
September 18, 2017	Back to School Night PreK-2 6:30
September 19, 2017	Back to School Night 3-5 6:30, GT at 5:45

### Important News

#### A Message from the Principal

It seems impossible that the 2016-2017 school year will come to a close on Wednesday. It feels like it was only yesterday that we were welcoming our new families and feeling the excitement of our students as they entered their classrooms. Your children have grown in many ways, and we are very proud of them! Thank you for your strong partnership. Our school is blessed to have such a talented staff, great students, and a supportive community!

I would like to thank Mrs. Carmesha Young who is finishing her 2 year term as PTA President. She has led a team of active parents willing to support Deep Run with a variety of events and services. Her commitment to the families of Deep Run Elementary was outstanding. We will miss Mrs. Young and look forward to working with the new PTA President, Mrs. Megan Slonac.

Congratulations to some staff members who are retiring this year. Congratulations to Mrs. Baird, Mrs. Encina, Mrs. King, and Mrs. Pace. We are thankful for their years of service to Deep Run Elementary School. They have many plans for their retirement and we wish them lots of happiness!

As you read last night in the email letter from Ms. Pazornik, she is transferring to Duckett's Lane Elementary on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Ms. Pazornik has served the Deep Run community for 20 years and will be greatly missed. I feel privileged to have worked with her this past year. We wish her well at her new school!

Finally, I would like to welcome Mrs. Sopha Quirk, our new assistant principal. Mrs. Quirk will join our administrative team on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Consider stopping by school over the summer to say hi and to welcome her to Deep Run.

Thank you for sharing your precious children with us this past year. We hope you have a safe and wonderful summer! We wish our fifth graders great success in middle school. See you in September!

Denise Lancaster, Principal

#### Help Needed on Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup>

Traditionally, 4<sup>th</sup> grade parents have assisted in setting up the refreshments and monitoring the refreshment table after the 5<sup>th</sup> grade promotion ceremony. We are in need of assistance from 4<sup>th</sup> grade parents or any other grade to set up and monitor the refreshment tables from 10:30 until 11:30. Please call the front office if you can help. 410-313-5000.

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Promotion

Our 5<sup>th</sup> grade promotion ceremony will be held on Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:45 to 11:00. The ceremony will be held at Deep Run Elementary in the cafeteria. Since this is a promotion and not a graduation, we are asking that families consider this a special day but not think of it like a high school graduation.

- Students should wear dressy clothes for the ceremony.
- Each 5<sup>th</sup> grader will receive 3 tickets. This will allow us to keep within the fire code capacity for the cafeteria.
- Siblings of 5<sup>th</sup> graders in other grades in the school will not be called down to attend the promotion. We will be broadcasting the promotion live to the classrooms in the building.
- Strollers will not be allowed in the cafeteria—we need all possible space for chairs and people to stand. There will be a “parking lot” for strollers at the entrance of the school.
- Students and their guests are invited to refreshments after the ceremony in front of the school.

- Parents may sign their child out with the homeroom teacher at the end of the ceremony. Parents may only sign out their own child.
- Parking is going to be difficult—the bus loop can be used for parking after 9:20. Please consider parking in the park. Please consider walking or car-pooling.

### Kindergarten Play Dates

Join us this summer at one (or more!) of the PTA sponsored play dates for incoming kindergarten students! Meet us at **Waterloo Park** to get to know other DRES families and make new friends before school starts!

**Monday, June 19th from 6:30 - 8 pm**

**Thursday, July 6th from 6:30 - 8 pm**

**Saturday, July 22nd from 9 - 11 am**

**Wednesday, August 9th from 6:30 - 8 pm**

**Friday, August 25th from 6:30 - 8 pm**

### Last Day Dismissal

We will have a special dismissal for our students on the last day of school. All students will exit our main doors with their grade beginning with kindergarten at 12:45. Bus riders will board their buses, car riders will walk over to the car lane and walkers will meet their parents by the flag pole. The parent waiting area will be roped off. Please avoid picking your child up early from school that day so he/she can participate in the special dismissal.

### **Last Weeks News**

#### Moving?

If you are planning to move over the summer, please contact Miss Nastarowicz in the front office before the end of the school year so a transfer packet can be prepared. If you make plans over the summer to move, please notify the front office as soon as possible. 410-313-5000

#### Library Books

Please look around your home for any library books from school. They should be returned to school right away. Thank you.

#### Cafeteria Update

As a follow up to the information provided on lunch charges after May 22, 2017, please be informed that all cafeteria managers have been instructed to continue providing meals to children, even if they continue to have negative balances in their accounts. In other words, no child will be deprived of a meal because of his/her ability to pay, and under no circumstance will a meal be taken away a child because of such situation. We have developed a nutritious alternate meal that would be provided; comprising of one entrée of the day, one of fruit (bagged apples or orange) or bag of carrots, and milk.

#### News from the Cafeteria

As we approach the end of the school year, please ensure that your child has funds available to purchase breakfast and/or lunch. Parents and families can upload funds electronically at the [MySchoolBucks](#) website. Additionally, **all outstanding meal charges need to be paid in full by May 22, 2017**. All lunch account balances through the last day of school on June 14, 2017 will carry over to the next school year.

Attention Students with Medication in the Health Room

All medications will need to be picked up by the last day of school, Wednesday, June 14 no later than 12 pm. Any medication left in the health room will be disposed of on the last day of school. Please visit <http://www.hcpss.org/about-us/forms/> for medication forms for next year. Medications need a new doctors order every school year.

Please visit the [Community News and Programs](#) page on the HCPSS website for all announcements of upcoming events and programs sponsored by non-profit organizations.