

June 6, 2014



HAMMOND TIGER TALES

Hammond Elementary School provides a safe, nurturing learning environment that fosters individual success through academic excellence, and appreciation of diversity, to ensure lifelong learners.

Important Dates*

June 6	Student media books to be turned in to Media Center
June 10	1 st grade Author's Celebration 12:30pm
June 11	Howard County Library to present the Summer Reading Program
June 17	5 th grade picnic 10:15 – 3:15 (students wear class t-shirts) 4 th grade picnic 1:15 – 3:15 1 st grade picnic 9:30 – 11:00am
June 18	3 rd grade picnic 9:30 – 12:00pm
June 18, 19, 20	Schools close 3 hours early (12:30pm)
June 19	5 th grade closing ceremony 9:00 – 11:00am Kindergarten picnic 10:00 – 12:00pm
June 20	Last student day 2 nd grade picnic 9am – 12pm
August 22	Kindergarten Orientation – 10:30am New Student Orientation – 1:45pm Open House for all returning HES students – 2:45pm
September 15	Back to School Night Kindergarten and First grade 6pm
September 18	Back to School Night Second grade and Third grade 7pm Back to School Night Fourth and Fifth grade 6pm Back to School Night Fourth and Fifth grade GT Math Overview 7pm Second through Fifth GT Program Overview 7:30pm
August	Parents/Guardians – A letter will be sent home regarding your child's placement for 2014-2015



“PAWS” OF PRIDE MOMENT”

Shout Out to all of our Volunteers!

The staff and administration would like to give a big THANK YOU to our fantastic volunteers for all of their hard work!

Our Volunteers worked tirelessly this past school year, both in the classroom and on many events. It was wonderful to see so many volunteers at the “Volunteer Luncheon”. We are most grateful for all of your efforts! Thank you Volunteers - you are AWESOME!

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KINDERGARTEN AND NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2014-15 school year will continue through the summer months. Summer Registration will be held on Wednesdays from 9am-1pm (starting July 9th). To register for kindergarten, children must be five years old by September 1, 2014. Please be sure and register your child, and if you know a neighbor whose child will be attending kindergarten for the 2014-15 year, please encourage them to register their child as well. The parent or guardian must present the following information at the time of registration: child's original birth certificate, record of immunizations, proof of residency (in form of a lease, a deed, or house contract), a recent utility bill (water, gas or electric), and a photo ID of parent or guardian.

Tips From Tuffy

Focus on: Ready to Learn

Summer Reading

Want to keep your child reading at an age appropriate level over the summer? Find out your child's reading level from her teacher and then visit these sites to see what books to check out from the library or download to a tablet this summer!

[okwizard/](http://www.scholastic.com/bo
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<http://home.comcast.net/~ngiansante/index.html>

Also, reading is fun to learn and can be enjoyed through different

types of media. Encourage your child to read anything from comics to cereal boxes to news sites for kids like:

<http://htekidsnews.com>

<http://www.timeforkids.com/news>

<https://www.dogonews.com>

Happy Reading!

FROM THE HEALTH ROOM

This is a reminder from the Health Room, that all medications and supplies **must** be picked up by a parent or guardian before **Friday, June 20 at 2:00 pm**. Any medications that are not picked up will be disposed of according to HCPSS policy. Medication forms for the 2014-2015 year have already been sent home. If you need one it can be found on www.hcpss.org, under forms. Please contact the health room on 410-880-5893 if you have any questions. Medication Forms need to be dated and signed by the physician **after** July 01, 2014 for the 2014-2015 school year. Mrs. Tyler from the Health Room is requesting that **all clothing items** lent to students please **be returned**. Thank you for returning your borrowed items!

COLLECTING FOR LARS

We have been collecting peanut butter and jelly for LARS, Laurel Advocacy and Referral Services, for the months of May and June. Peanut butter and jelly are the most needed items for the summer months. Please consider donating peanut butter and/or jelly for LARS, which helps the needy in our community. Please send your donation in to school with your child.

Ballet Royale Institute's Exceptional Children's Dance Company

Special needs children have special abilities and Ballet Royale is offering a new Exceptional Children's Program to embrace them through our love of dance, movement, music and fun.

Ages 3-6, Sat. 2-3 p.m. Ages 7 - 13, Sat. 3-4 p.m. **Registration Opens on May 17**

For additional information, please contact Ballet Royale Institute of Maryland 410-997-8443 balletroyale@verizon.net
Recreation and Parks is hosting a Creative Arts Camp at Murray Hill Middle School and Dunloggin Middle School. Camp is offered June 30-Aug. 1 for students ages 6 -14. Our talented and experienced staff will create a positive environment where campers can refine their skills or explore new experiences in the arts. Low camper-to-instructor ratios allow opportunities for small group and individual instruction. Campers will showcase their talents with performances and Gallery Show every Friday. To register by phone, please call 410-313-7275. For more information, please contact Kori Jones at kjones@howardcountymd.gov or 410-313 - 4609.

National Aquarium's Annual Grade A Student Night

Thursday, June 26th, 6-9pm. Students must have 3 A's (or equivalent) in any marking period. Free for student w/report card; one adult also free. Other family members are \$5. Register at www.aqua.org/gradeastudent, or call 410.659.4200.

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