

The Leopard's Tale

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IMPORTANT DATES:

April 10 - 13 Schools closed for spring break.
April 14 & 17 Schools and offices closed.
April 20 Book Swap, Media Center.
June 12 8th Grade Promotion, 1:30 pm
June 13 8th Grade PTA Dance, evening (time to be announced)
June 14 Last Day of School!!

Today marks the end of third quarter. How can three-fourths of the year be over already?? When we return from spring break, we will enter in to a very busy season of PARCC and MAP testing, field trips (including Outdoor Education for grade 6), concerts, competitions and several special events. This will be a very busy time of year, but we must keep our focus on instruction and learning despite potential distractions. This last quarter will go by quickly and the end of the school year will be here before we know it!

I hope that all students, staff and families have an enjoyable spring break with the opportunity to relax, refresh and renew. Get ready to end the year strong!

Lucy Lublin, Principal

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Canvas is currently experiencing an issue displaying grades on the parent Grade Summary Page, which parents navigate to by clicking Grades on the menu on the left. While the toggle on the summary page is correctly indicating Quarter 3 or Semester 2, the course score displayed on the page is averaging the full year of assignments instead of just the quarter / semester. Parents can see the correct grade by clicking the course name to view the detailed grading page. Our Canvas vendor is aware of the issue, and working on a fix. We will continue to monitor the situation, and anticipate resolution very soon. Students and teachers are not impacted by this issue, and see the correct course scores. The Canvas Student and Parent mobile apps are also unaffected.

Parent voice matters at LKMS. We hope our parents feel engaged and connected with our school community of stakeholders. Please share your thoughts through this brief survey. As always, thank you for your support and participation. Access the survey using the following link:

<https://goo.gl/forms/1vtiBiduTFzaUfbA3>

As part of our Green School Initiative, LKMS students will participate in Howard County's 20 Minute Cleanup on April 20th (Rain date TBD). The 20 Minute Cleanup is a Howard County-wide volunteer project to remove trash from our local environment. Students should dress appropriately to spend a minimum of 20 minutes outside in their Science classes helping to clean up our environment.

LKMS PTA and Drama Learning Center are proud to present **Shrek The Musical**. Performances will be on Friday, April 28, 7pm and Saturday, April 29, 3pm. Tickets are \$7 and will be available for purchase during LKMS lunch shifts on 4/27 and 4/28, and also at the door before each performance.

All middle and high school students may attend the Student Member of the Board (SMOB) candidate forum Wednesday April 19th 7-8:30 at the Board of Education to meet the candidates in person and ask them questions. If students cannot attend, they may watch the event through live stream <http://www.hcpss.org/board/meetings/> and submit their questions live through twitter @hcpss_hcasc or watch at a later date on local cable TV.

Wed., Apr. 19 @ 7 pm (LIVE)

Fri., Apr. 21 @ 8 pm

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Sat., Apr. 22 @ 4 pm
Sun., Apr. 23 @ 4 pm
Mon., Apr. 24 @ 4 and 9 pm
Tue., Apr. 25 @ 4 pm
Channels are 95 on Comcast and 42 Verizon.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION....

Join Lime Kiln teachers Phil Ranker, Erika Swan and Tom Dougherty at summer camp this year! **Stay active camp** is a camp for all sports designed to give campers opportunities to play many different sports. Campers can expect to play flag football, soccer, modified softball, volleyball, newcomb, Lithuanian ball, team handball, tennis, capture the football and more throughout the week. Camp runs July 17-21st from 9-noon and 1-4 (sign up for a double session and bring lunch to make it a full day). Visit [Rankerssportscamp.weebly.com](http://rankerssportscamp.weebly.com) or see the attached flyer for more information.

Phil Ranker
Physical Education
Lime Kiln Middle School
Reservoir Girls Varsity Soccer Coach
<http://rankerssportscamp.weebly.com/>

Atholton High School...The 2017-2018 **Poms (dance) team auditions** will be held on Tuesday, April 25th, and on Thursday, April 27th. On Tuesday, students will be taught choreography from 3:30 to 5:30 in the Atholton dance studio. On Thursday, students should arrive at the time slot they signed up for on Tuesday; auditions will be in the dance studio. The time slots will begin at 4 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Payne: nicole_payne@hcpss.org or (410) 313-7065.

All Middle and High School students interested in

- Learning about Leadership and Service Opportunities
- Sharing the Student Voice on HCPSS Policy and Community Issues
- Gaining Leadership Skills
- Practicing Community Service
- Working with student leaders from across HCPSS

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Please attend Howard County Association of Student Councils (HCASC) meetings.

Next Meeting **Wednesday 4/19 7-8:30** at the **Board of Education: Meet the Students Running for School Board at the Student Member of the Board of Education Candidate Forum**

Can't make the meeting? Watch the event live and send in your questions through Twitter @hcpss_hcasc

Come join your fellow student leaders and work together to make Many Students One Voice.

For more information please contact cindy_drummond@hcpss.org or visit <http://hcasc.hcpss.org/>

"Not My Child...Yes, Your Howard County Child" Tuesday, April 25 at 7:00 p.m.

On Tuesday, April 25, 2017 from 7:00 p.m - 8:30PM at the Cafeteria of River Hill High School, ALL Howard County parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, coaches and community members are encouraged to attend a don't miss program! As Howard County's overdose rates continue to rise, parents and adult family members, coaches, youth advisors, educators, and community members need to understand the reality of substance use close to home (maybe in your own home).

This program is for adults and will focus on the daily exposure of our Howard County children to stress, alcohol, and drugs. Other programs are being planned for our school students.

HC DrugFree is proud to partner with the River Hill High School PTSA, the Howard County State's Attorney's Office, the Howard County Police, the Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services, and more. For more information contact HC DrugFree's office at Admin@hcdrugfree.org or

443-325-0040

, or visit www.hcdrugfree.org.

The **Altholon High School PTSA** is in search of a **President for the 2017-2018** school year. This is a 2 year position. It is very important that we identify interested individuals ASAP. The term for our current President will be ending in June although she will continue on the Executive Board as Immediate Past President. This is a critical position - we want to continue to

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offer/sponsor the many worthwhile programs at Atholton HS and achieve the objectives of the PTSA. Our parent support is what keeps our community strong. We already have a dedicated group of Executive Board members and committee chairs ready and willing to serve under the President's leadership. If you would like to nominate a candidate or yourself please contact Nikki Lee (ndlee247@gmail.com). The Election will be held May 15. For more information about the role of the AHS PTSA President please attend upcoming meetings (3rd Tuesday of the month), visit the Atholton PTSA website and/or contact Nikki Lee with questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Atholton Summer Sports Camps

Get ready for Fall Try Outs or just have fun at one of our many sports camps being offered at various Howard County Schools this summer.

Tuition for each camp will be \$135. Tuition includes a Raider t-shirt, individual skills testing, specialized instruction from qualified staff members, guest speakers, and daily awards. For more information please contact: Mona Weinberg 410-446-7784 or mona_weinberg@hcpss.org.

Camp Schedule, Information, and Online Registration

<http://atholtonboosters.org/athletics/summercamps/>

River Hill Boosters Summer Sports Camps

The River Hill High School Boosters are sponsoring summer camps at River Hill High School. The camps are designed to help young athletes improve their fundamental athletic skills. Weekly camps begin June 12th from 4pm - 7pm and June 19th to August 4th from 9am - noon or 1pm - 4pm. Over twenty different camps are offered this summer, including football, soccer, baseball, softball, lacrosse, field hockey, volleyball, basketball, cross country, track & field, cheerleading, weight training, wrestling, and a youth sports camp. Camp forms are available in the main office at River Hill High School, at www.riverhill.org, or call 410-313-7120 for more information.

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