

The Leopard's Tale

Lime Kiln Middle School
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December 16, 2016

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IMPORTANT DATES:

December 21	Interim progress reports issued.
December 26-30	Winter Break, Schools and Offices Closed.
January 16	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Schools and Offices closed.
January 25	GT Parent GT Orientation, 6:30 pm
January 27	Professional Work Day. Schools closed for students.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Rayaan Chaudhry
Eric Roth
Ben Davis
Amber Brown
Lily Lei
John McKenna
Owen Bennertz
Zoe Frey

KUDOS...Congratulations to ANJALI PALIYAM who has reached one of the top 25 spots in the State of Maryland for Fox's Baltimore yearly contest The Champion of Courage. Anjali's champion that she wrote about is Elon Musk. Anjali will be invited to a taping session of her essay, a breakfast, a \$100.00 savings bond and a chance to win more prizes.

Congratulations to 8th grader **DENNIS MICHAEL HERSCHBACH** who submitted his poem "Pieces" to the Young Writers of America Poetry Contest. Thousands of submissions were entered and less than 20% of the

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entries were selected to be published. Michael is a member of Writer's Guild. We are proud of his accomplishment.

know about the topics that matter to you.

HIGH SCHOOL REGISTRATION INFORMATION...Please join us for an evening program to learn about the course registration process for incoming 9th grade students.

ATHOLTON, January 9, 6:30 PM

RESERVOIR, January 5, 7:00 PM

RIVER HILL, January 5, 6:30 PM



News From the GT Department:

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Dear Lime Kiln Community,

Spring Testing for possible inclusion in the Gifted and Talented classes will take place on Wednesday, January 25, 2017. This is for students NEW to Howard County or current 6th and 7th grade students who have not previously been tested with either with the CogAT test in fifth grade or the SCAT in middle school. 8th grade students do not require testing since high school courses are determined through teacher recommendation.

If your child did not test into G/T through the initial testing process, then you may request a Placement Review.

Placement Process for G/T Content Area Classes

The middle school placement review process enables the school staff and parents to work together to provide students with the most appropriate educational placement. A placement review may be conducted for students **entering** grades six through eight who demonstrate outstanding academic performance but who were not eligible for one or more G/T content area class(es) based on the initial testing criteria. To request a placement review, parents/guardians should write a letter/email to the G/T Resource Teacher requesting a review of the student's placement(s) for middle school. The letter should provide support for the student's readiness to enroll in a specific G/T class (social studies, English, science and/or mathematics), including documentation and/or examples of exemplary student performance.

Please note that all placement review requests must be made by December 23, 2016. Our staff will need time to gather work samples, make observations and collect writing samples in order to make a placement decision before the start of the third quarter. In addition, placement review requests for eighth graders were made by interims during the first quarter since high school recommendations are made for the following school year in December. Again, requests made after this deadline will not be considered for this school year 2016-2017.

If you have questions about the G/T Placement Process or G/T content classes, please contact Tracy Spillman, the G/T Resource Teacher, at [tracy_spillman @ hcpss.org](mailto:tracy_spillman@hcpss.org) for further information.

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Sincerely,
Tracy Spillman
G/T Resource Teacher
Lime Kiln Middle School

PTA INFORMATION...

The PTA's final membership drive is now underway! With only two weeks remaining, the following 10 homerooms are in lead for percent of student families registered for the PTA: **Novak, Cipro, Johnston, Landerman, Peterson, Hockenberry, Porter, Amshey, Waltman and Derreth.**

The homeroom with the highest percentage by December 15th will win a T-shirt decorating party during extended homeroom on December 21st. There is still time to join the PTA (only \$20 per family) and help your homeroom win the contest! Registration forms are available in every class, or you can join online (via PayPal) at <https://lkmspta.wordpress.com/membership/>
Questions? Contact Andie Cohen (dicohen@hotmail.com).

PTA/DRAMA LEARNING CENTER...Calling all Ogres, Forest Creatures, and Royalty!! Lime Kiln Middle School PTA, in conjunction with Drama Learning Center, would like to invite you to join us in presenting the greatest fairytale never told! Shrek the Musical, directed by Mr. Dustin Merrell, is coming to the Lime Kiln stage this spring. Get ready for a great ensemble cast that will have ogre-sized fun! To register, please go to <http://dramalearningcenter.com/after-school-class/> Questions? Please contact eileendensel@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION...

The next **River Hill High School PTSA** parent program will be held 1/17/17. We will have Lisa Rhodes (Family Engagement Specialist, Behavior Consultant

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at Family Institute of Howard County Office of Children and Families) to present **TEEN PARENTING STRATEGIES** which covers the following:

- Review common behavior problems in teens
- Learn strategies to communicate and strengthen your relationship
- Create a positive environment for your relationship to grow
- Introduce strategies to improve your teen's behavior
- Learn ways to encourage your teen to choose positive coping skills
- Learn techniques to teach and demonstrate strategies to help your child process and solve their worries

The presentation will be one hour from **7:00pm to 8:00pm at the RHHS cafeteria**

If you have any questions, contact Wendy Wang wendy.wangkong@yahoo.com

RESERVOIR BOOSTERS WINTER BREAK BASKETBALL CAMP 2016

Directed by

COACH MCDUFFIE

BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 5 -14

Place: *Reservoir High School (11550 Scaggsville Road, Fulton, MD 20759)*

Date: *December 26 - 30, 2016*

Time: *9:00 - 4:00*

COST: \$200

EACH PLAYER RECIEVES

PLUS:

- Team T Shirt
- *Experienced Coaches
- Achievement Award

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Before & After Care Available Upon Request:

For Further Information contact:
Coach McDuffie : klmcamps@yahoo.com or 443-474-4211

Reservoir booster website

Name: _____

Home

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Before Care Y___ N___ After Care Y___ N___ Both Y___ N___ * Nut Allergy Y___ N___

School

Name: _____

Age _____ Shirt Size _____

Parent/ Guardian

Name: _____

Will camper be taking medication during camp? Yes _____ No _____ if yes please explain:

I hereby register the above camper/campers as a participant in the basketball program. I certify that I am the parent/ legal guardian of the said camper/campers and hold harmless the Reservoir Boosters, and workers, from any and all liability for any injury, illness or condition that may arise as a result of participation in this program. I also certify that the above camper/campers birth date / age is accurate as indicated.

_____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Mail application: RHS - Booster Winter Basketball Camp 2016
Checks Payable to: RHS Boosters
11550 Scaggsville Road, Fulton MD 20759
NO REFUNDS

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