

# The Leopard's Tale

Lime Kiln Middle School  
11650 Scaggsville Road  
Fulton, MD 20759  
December 9, 2016

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## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

December 14      **GOTTA EAT NIGHT**, Squisito, Burtonsville.  
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 27        Professional Work Day. Schools closed for students.

## ***STUDENTS OF THE WEEK***

Jocelyn Baker  
Emily Meadows  
Mason Freedman  
Grady Allbritton-King  
Dylan Bradford  
Chase Bauman  
Tomi Falodun  
Maxwell Battist  
Shiv Shah  
Ali Damani

**Parent Voice matters at LKMS.** Please complete this brief survey let us know about the topics that matter to you.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeQiJAb0vuIzNuaP1vUUMJcI570mfWXpxiD3DxJ\\_YxLwHfDzQ/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeQiJAb0vuIzNuaP1vUUMJcI570mfWXpxiD3DxJ_YxLwHfDzQ/viewform)

Davita Alston  
Spanish teacher & Related Arts Team Leader

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### **News From the GT Department:**

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 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students who have not previously been tested with either with the CogAT test in fifth grade or the SCAT in middle school. 8<sup>th</sup> 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**

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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.

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

**TRANSCRIPTS FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL...** Transcript and teacher recommendations for private high schools should be brought to Student Services. We will make sure that all information is mailed out. Please provide envelopes with postage on them.

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## 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 15<sup>th</sup> will win a T-shirt decorating party during extended homeroom on December 21<sup>st</sup>. 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 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

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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](mailto:wendy.wangkong@yahoo.com)

All Middle and High School students interested in

-Sharing the Student Voice on HCPSS Policy and Community Issues

-Gaining Leadership Skills

-Practicing Community Service

-Working with student leaders from across HCPSS

please attend Howard County Association of Student Councils (HCASC) meetings. Next Meeting **Wednesday 12/14 7-8:30** at the Homewood Cafeteria 10914 MD 108 Columbia, 21042. This month's topic HCASC and Beyond- **School Start Times and How to Share Student Voice at Your School**

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

For more information please contact [cindy\\_drummond@hcpss.org](mailto:cindy_drummond@hcpss.org) or visit <http://hcasc.hcpss.org/>

## **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**

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**EACH PLAYER RECIEVES**

**PLUS:**

- Team T Shirt
- \*Experienced Coaches
- Achievement Award

**Before & After Care Available Upon Request:**

For Further Information contact:

Coach McDuffie : [klmcamps@yahoo.com](mailto:klmcamps@yahoo.com) or 443-474-4211

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Reservoir booster website

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School

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_Age \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/ Guardian

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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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

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NO REFUNDS

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