

The Leopard's Tale  
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*Oh, the weather outside is frightful!*

By now I am sure you have received the notification that all HCPSS schools are closing 90-minutes early today due to the forecast of snow. While we recognize that schedule changes can cause a bit of a disruption, please know that our top priority is always the safety of our students and staff. This winter already has proven to be more snowy and cold than last winter. Please be sure that you have signed up for HCPSS and LKMS alerts through HCPSS Connect to receive the latest school closing information.

Next week will prove to be filled with anticipation of the impending holidays and winter break. As I shared last week, we will be keeping a focus on instruction through the week. However, on Wednesday, December 20 we invite our students to join our staff in wearing festive sweaters, hats, headbands, etc. (please no full costumes, masks or pajamas) in celebration of all of the winter holidays. In addition, students should limit the amount of candy and other treats that they bring to school to a small amount to be consumed during lunch time. Thank you!

Last, but not least, Happy Hanukkah to those who celebrate. May your candles burn long and your celebrations be joyous!

Lucy Lublin, Principal

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## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

December 20 - Interim Progress Reports Issued

December 25-January 1 - Winter Break

January 2 - Schools reopen

January 23 - New 6<sup>th</sup> Grade and GT Parent Orientation 6:30-7:30pm

### **December 15 - PTA Gotta Eat Night**

Please join the PTA for the next gotta eat night at Pei Wei in Columbia on Monday December 18, 2017 from 5-9:00 PM. Remember to bring the attached flyer so that our PTA gets back 20% of the sales.

### **“LIME LIGHTERS” - STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:**

Congratulations to the following students who demonstrated their ability to “ROAR” this week by being responsible, respectful, and academically focused:

Sukirat Bhatti  
Chelsea Adamson  
David Falodun  
Saniyah Dixon  
Simone Barrett  
Avery Bacon  
Daniel Ayodeji  
Noah Ko

**Reservoir High School will have our New Student and Family Night on Thursday, January 4, 2018. The program will begin promptly at 7:00 P.M. and will end at about 8:50.** We will start the evening with a brief overview of graduation requirements for students. We will then offer a variety of break-out sessions where we will discuss the many academic and extracurricular activities available to Reservoir students. Our snow date in case of bad weather is Wednesday, January 10, 2018.

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## **PTA MEMBERSHIP:**

**It is not too late to become a member of your LKMS PTA - register today!**

LKMS PTA membership costs only \$20 per family (includes 2 adult memberships) and benefits the entire school – students and staff! You can pay with PayPal here: <http://www.lkmspta.wordpress.com/membership> (cut and paste into your browser), or send the completed form (attached) to LKMS with cash/check made out to the LKMS PTA. Please visit [www.PTA.org/benefits](http://www.PTA.org/benefits) (cut and paste into your browser), to get access to PTA resources and special discounts. Questions? - Contact Andie Cohen (8<sup>th</sup> grade parent) at [dicohen@hotmail.com](mailto:dicohen@hotmail.com).

THANK YOU for your support!

## **PARKING:**

When picking up your student or coming in to the school for other reasons, please do not park in any of the three reserved spaces in the upper circle. These spaces are reserved for staff use only. Thank you!

## **ATTENTION PARENTS OF 8th GRADE STUDENTS:**

### **Private School Applications**

Students applying to private schools who will need teacher recommendations and/or transcripts sent to the private school should submit this request to the Student Services office. We will collect all information and mail as one packet to the school. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Mongello in Student Services.

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Baby Photos**

The Memory Book Committee is collecting 8<sup>th</sup> graders' baby photos from December 1<sup>st</sup> to December 22. 8<sup>th</sup> grade students may turn in their baby photos to their homeroom teacher or email a .jpg photo to [memorybooklks@gmail.com](mailto:memorybooklks@gmail.com). Please include student's first and last name and homeroom teacher on the photo. Photos are sent to Lifetouch and will not be returned to the student.

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## **PTA DRAMA PROGRAM - "BEAUTY AND THE BEAST":**

Calling all beauties, beasts, and household gadgets! Lime Kiln Middle School, in conjunction with Drama Learning Center, would like to invite you to join us in presenting the greatest Disney story ever told! Beauty and the Beast, directed by Mr. Dustin Merrell, is coming to the Lime Kiln stage this spring. Get ready for a great ensemble cast that will have castle-sized fun! To register, please go to [http:// dramalearningcenter.com/after-school-class/](http://dramalearningcenter.com/after-school-class/) Questions? Please contact [eileendensel@gmail.com](mailto:eileendensel@gmail.com).

## **HCLS/HCPSS A+ STUDENT CARD:**

Howard County Library System and Howard County Public School System are launching a new fully functioning A+ STUDENT CARD. It allows easy access to HCLS eContent (including research databases) in the classroom, at home, or anywhere students need to do homework or research through [HCPSS.me](http://HCPSS.me). The A+ Student Card uses the student's active directory login. This A+ virtual student card gives the student all the same borrowing privileges as the physical card. Here is a link to more information: [A+ Student Card Directions](#).

## **HC DRUGFREE IS LOOKING FOR PARENT/ADULT VOLUNTEERS:**

Whether you have an hour a month or 10 hours a week to volunteer, please email [Admin@hcdrugfree.org](mailto:Admin@hcdrugfree.org) to let us know your availability. Be sure to say if you can type, are willing to drive to pharmacies or liquor stores, and if you have any special skills or interests.

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