

Talbott Springs Elementary School Friday Newsletter
Friday April 8, 2022

Happy Spring Break! We are so grateful for the gift of time in the week ahead to recharge as we head towards the last 8 weeks of school. The time after Spring Break is going to move very quickly with a lot of student learning and many activities. Please continue read the newsletter and read the emails that are sent from TSES! We had a lot to celebrate this week! Assistant Principal's Week was a wonderful time for us to recognize the outstanding work of Dr. Lewis as he leads with strength and compassion. Thank you to Mrs. Gageby and Mr. Better as we celebrate National Library Week! Both of these staff members assure that our students are learning about and loving books. The TSES Unheard Perspectives Showcase was held this week at TSES. Mr. McMahon and Mrs. Joiner are so proud of the TSES Eagles took the time to participate! The Unheard Perspectives Showcase is for students in grades 4-5 who want to learn more about American innovators whose voices are often unheard. The question guiding each entry is: "Which innovator has had a significant impact on your life?" To answer this question, students gather to develop research skills and learn more about innovators throughout American history. Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding work! **5th Grade** Evie G and Juliana B: Innovator-Hapshetsut; Blake H: Innovator - Rosa Parks; Jocelyn W., Pystis P., Cindy M., Isaiah M.: Innovator -Bayard Rustin. **4th Grade** Randall S.: Innovator- Mildred Loving; Daniel C.: Innovator - Barack Obama; Imani L.: Innovator- Muhammed Ali; Gabby S.: Innovator- Omar Mohammed; Maya-Sophia S.: Innovator-Serena Williams. The winner of the TSES Unheard Perspectives Showcase is Blake H.! Congratulations Blake! On behalf of Dr. Lewis and the TSES Staff, we wish each of our families a wonderful week ahead.
Nancy Thompson, Principal

Information:

COVID-19 Test Kits: On Thursday April 7, Talbott Springs Elementary School sent home a COVID-19 test kit with each student. Please check your child's backpack for this test kit. We encourage the use of at-home tests prior to returning from Spring Break. Please be reminded that all students and staff are to remain home if they are experiencing symptom(s) associated with any communicable disease, including COVID-19. Details on [daily health checks](#) are available online. If your child is exhibiting any COVID-19 symptoms, please use your test kit as an additional mitigation effort to keep our schools and offices healthy. If your child experiences COVID like illness during Spring Break, please contact your child's physician. If you are unsure as to whether to send your child to school after Spring Break, please contact Talbott Springs Elementary on Tuesday April 19 when we re-open.

Quarter 3 Report Cards are be accessible via HCPSS Connect Synergy after 5:00 pm today, Friday, April 8, 2022. [Instructions for accessing report cards](#) are available online. TSES has also sent home a paper copy of your child's report card in his or her backpack. If you have questions about your child's grades, please contact your child's teacher(s) after Spring Break. Please find information about understanding your child's report card at this [link](#).

TSES Connecting to Kindergarten: If you know of a family who has a child who will be entering Kindergarten in the Fall of 2022, please share the information about our TSES Connecting to Kindergarten event that will be held on April 28, 2022 from 5:30-7:00. Information flyer is at this [link](#).

A message from Mrs. Sansone, TSES School Counselor: The past two weeks during social emotional learning time, classes focused on reviewing the E in RISE, which is EMPATHY.

Here is a link to some materials that may be helpful in talking at home about EMPATHY.

Field Day is May 27, 2022! Greetings TSES Families! We are proud to announce that we will be hosting an in-person Field Day this year on May 27, 2022. Our rain date is scheduled for June 2nd. Mr. Bonsu and Ms. Parker have put together indoor and outdoor activities for participation for all grade levels. Students should plan to bring a (labeled) water bottle, hat, sunscreen, and wear comfortable, weather appropriate clothing. Come and enjoy a social, fun, and healthy day for our community. Everyone is encouraged to participate in these exciting activities focused on health and wellness. We are looking forward to seeing everyone enjoying themselves. Also, be sure have your child turn in any Parent Volunteer forms to his or her PE teacher by April 29, 2022.

TSES Super Singers: We are so happy to congratulate these students! Each week one student in each of our 1st Grade through 5th grade music classes is selected as the "Super Singer". Students selected demonstrate consistent excellence in the school RISE expectations and/or the music skills that are being taught. music skills (singing, playing instruments, creating and moving are some of the skills). Here are the TSES Super Singers for March 25-April 7: Braylen W., D'Aja H., Ava H., Daniel C., Marcos M.G., Asa A., Alex F.A., Isha K., Gregory S., Angela S.C., Samson S., Leah R., Israel V.F., Alayah T., Nathan D., Aislinn D., Lizbeth J., Lamija N., Kiley T., Nico O.S., Kourtney F., MaLaysha T.

TSES Replacement School-Buy a Brick! Leave Your Love at TSES with an Engraved Brick

We invite you and the entire Talbott Springs Community (family members, friends, neighbors, and alumni) to purchase a commemorative brick to honor a child, recognize your family, or remember a loved one and show your support of Talbott Springs Elementary School and the PTA.

The bricks will be installed around the new school's flagpole as a lasting commemoration. Any net proceeds from the sales will be to support our staff, students, and community through the PTA.

Please help us get the word out for brick sales as we would love for the entire community to have the opportunity to participate and commemorate their time at Talbott Springs Elementary School! **4x8 brick - \$40.00 each**

<https://www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/tsesbricks>

If you have any questions, please email Michelle Humphrey at treasurer@tsespta.org

From the Howard County Office of Children and Families: Please find great information for families with children in the [Howard County Office of Children and Families: April 2022 Newsletter](#)

The Youth and Teen Center @ The Barn in the Oakland Mills Village Center is offering a few initiatives for students age 9-11 from now until June. [Link](#) to Info.

- Leadership through Hip Hop Dance. It is offered every Monday 4:30-6pm. Youth not only learn various dance moves but learn how to choreograph and teach others as well. Program has already started.
- ART ATTACK We will be taking 15-25 youth to the Art Center in the Long Reach Village for the Art Attack program. Program is offered on Tuesdays beginning Tuesday April 5th 4:30-6pm. Youth will be engaged in 2 projects: ceramics and glass fusion with an Art Showcase on June 22nd to show their projects.
- STEM Program offered on Thursdays beginning April 7th 4:30-6pm. Youth will be taught skills in problem solving and critical thinking in science, technology, engineering, and math.
- For G.I.R.L.S. Only (Growing and Inspiring Respectful young Ladies for Success) and Boys 2 Men mentoring programs. Both programs meet on the last Wednesday of every month. Some topics include the importance of building healthy relationships, financial matters, making healthy choices. The two groups will partner to plan a Mother's Day Brunch in May.
- Family Fun Nights- will be offered once a month on most last Fridays of the month. This social event is offered to celebrate families and bring the community together. 6-7:30pm The first one was on March 25th. No registration required.

TSES PTA~Yearbook LOVE Notes!

TSES Yearbook LOVE NOTES ARE BACK and will be printed in the 2021-2022 Yearbook!!! Please see the attached google form (English and Spanish). Please complete a form for each TSES student/child in your household. **Deadline is APRIL 22, 2022.** Contact Michelle at yearbook@tsespta.org with questions.
[English Love Note Link 21-22](#)
[Spanish Love Note Link 21-22](#)

TSES Calendar Dates:

Friday April 8	Q3 Report Cards Issued
April 11-18	Spring Break
Tuesday April 19	School Re opens following Spring Break
	Registration for Pre-Kindergarten and Pre-School Begins!
Monday April 25	PS/PK Field Trip to the Maryland Zoo in Baltimore 9:00-1:45
Tuesday April 26	5 th Grade Parent Meeting: Puberty Education Information 3:30 (V)
Wednesday April 27	Early Dismissal for students at 12:10 pm
Thursday April 28	Connecting to Kindergarten 5:30-7:00 (link to flyer)
	5 th Grade Parent Meeting (translated-Spanish)
	Puberty Education Information 3:30 (Virtual)
Friday April 29	Battle of the Books at 7:00 at Merriweather Post Pavillion
Tuesday May 10	TSES Spring Concert at OMHS at 6:30
Thursday May 12	5 th Grade Students visit LEMS and OMMS
Thursday May 19	3 rd Grade Field Trip to Oriole Park at Camden Yard
	K Field Trip to Centennial Park (rain date 5/25)

Friday May 20	Simulated Congressional Hearings –Grade 5-Virtual
Friday May 27	TSES Field Day!
Monday May 30	School Closed for Memorial Day
Friday June 3	Promotion Kindergarten (in person) at 9:00
Friday June 3	TSES Summer Kick off and PTA End of Year Celebration! 5:00
Monday June 13	5 th Grade Promotion (in person) at 9:00