

October 21, 2022

Talbott Springs Families,

I hope that your family had a great week! Our students were so excited to be able to use the new climbing equipment this week! The patience of all as we have worked together throughout this construction process has been appreciated. Work continues to complete the fields, the bio ponds at the rear of the building and the area on the west side of the building near Whiteacre Road. I am grateful for the work that has been done and I look forward to the completion of the project! We celebrated Unity Day on Wednesday October 19 to show our unity for kindness, acceptance, and inclusion and to send a visible message that no child should ever experience bullying. During Social Emotional Learning time, we discussed the question: What can you do to be an UPSTANDER? An upstander is a person who speaks or acts in support of someone who needs assistance or is being bullied. When you have some time, ask your child what he or she knows about and how he or she feels about being an upstander! Please see below for information about Free and Reduced Meal applications, and four upcoming events: PTA Trunk or Treat, Flu Vaccine Clinic, Reset and Reconnect and Trot for Talbott!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Nancy Thompson, Principal

### **Information:**

#### **FREE AND REDUCED MEAL APPLICATIONS!**

**2022-2023 School Meals** The determination of a student's ability to receive free lunch each day is determined through the FARM Application process. Please consider completing a FARM application even if you think that you might not qualify. Families are urged to check their eligibility and complete a FARMS application as soon as possible. Families must submit a new application every school year. Please find information at this site. Scroll down the page to find the FARM application. <https://www.hcpss.org/food-services/>

#### **Flu vaccine clinic at Talbott Springs Elementary School October 31, 2022**

[Flu Shot Flyer Spanish](#)

[Flu Shot Flyer English](#)

The Maryland Partnership for Prevention, in partnership with the Howard County Health Department and Howard County Public Schools, will be hosting a flu vaccine clinic at **TSES on Monday Oct. 31st**. Pre-registration is required and will close five days before our clinic date. This clinic is **NO COST** for students. Please register your child ahead of time using the link below:

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/9912605079>

**Reset and Reconnect (November 10<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8 pm)** Come join us for our first family event in our new school building! This event will support our School Improvement Plan's "school climate" goals as we explore the art of effective communication in order to build positive relationships and encourage a growth mindset. Children of all ages are invited to attend with their parent or guardian. Contact Mrs. Healy ([sophie\\_healy@hcpss.org](mailto:sophie_healy@hcpss.org)) if you have any questions about this event.

**Trot for Talbott is BACK!** Join us for a morning of health filled activities, November 12th, 2022 at 8:00 am. The event begins with our annual, one mile, Trot for Talbott Fun Walk/Run. Help raise

funds for our 2022-23 school year student healthy activities while increasing your awareness of living a healthy lifestyle! Proceeds will support our Healthy Howard initiatives, Green School Certification and Outdoor Organic Garden and Classroom. Please sponsor, donate and register early. Registration will also be available the day of the event beginning at 8:00 am. Race begins at 8:30. The sponsor/donation forms should be returned to TSES on or before the event. Everyone must have a signed sponsor/donation form to participate in the event.

Sign Up in 3 easy steps:

- 1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp: <https://signup.com/go/atVgZpS>
  - 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
  - 3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.
- Note: SignUp does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact Ms. Parker and she can sign you up manually. Thank you for supporting our school and students in this healthy family event. Please contact Ms. Parker for additional information at [sarah\\_parker@hcpss.org](mailto:sarah_parker@hcpss.org).

**We are offering assistance for the fall and winter holiday season! Please help TSES to support our school community!** During this upcoming holiday season if you would like to assist a family in our school by providing holiday gifts, please email Lauren Sansone, TSES School Counselor, at [Lauren\\_Sansone@hcpss.org](mailto:Lauren_Sansone@hcpss.org), by Wednesday 11/16.

There are many ways to support buying gift cards, purchasing an item from a family's wish list or providing gifts for an entire family's wish list. If possible, when emailing Mrs. Sansone, please let her know your thoughts on how you would like to support.

**TSES Dental Clinic:** is coming to Talbott Springs on Friday Dec. 2, 2022! Forms to sign up for the dental clinic (held by the Smile Program), are being sent home this week and next week, so keep an eye out if you are interested! Please return the forms by Monday Nov. 7. If you have any questions, please call the health room at 410-313-6918.

Also, don't forget to sign your child up for our **Flu Shot Clinic**, happening on Monday Oct. 31st. See the link below or check out the school website to sign up!

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/9912605079>

**Halloween:** TSES will not be hosting schoolwide or classroom Halloween celebrations this year. October 31 is a regularly scheduled school day. Please be sure to join the TSES PTA Trunk or Treat event on Friday October 28, 2022 (rain date 10/29/22) from 6:00-7:00 PM in the TSES bus loop!

**Young Authors' Contest:** Students in grades 1-5 may submit a short story and/or a poem for the Young Authors' Contest. The deadline is December 10, 2022, please email [laura\\_ciarrocchi@hcpss.org](mailto:laura_ciarrocchi@hcpss.org) with questions! [Please find the information flyer and the required coversheet information at this link.](#)

**TSES PTA Trunk or Treat-TRUNKS and TREATS Needed!!** Join the TSES PTA for Trunk or Treat on Friday, October 28th from 6-7 PM in the bus loop. In order for the TSES PTA to host Trunk or Treat, we need the help of the families in our school community! We are seeking families to bring a car/van and decorate it for the trick or treaters! No trunk? No problem! You can host a table

for trick or treaters! The PTA will host a Please sign up using this form: <https://tinyurl.com/TSEStreat2022> Thank you!

**TSES Super Singers: We are so happy to congratulate these students!** Each week one student in each of our 1<sup>st</sup> Grade through 5<sup>th</sup> 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 (singing, playing instruments, creating and moving are some of the skills). Here are the super singers for the period of October 13-October 19: Colin D., Adam J., Anaiah J., Jamari B., Gabriella J., Cayden S., Chase S., Damien V.J., Bryce R., Matias G., Alayah T., Tristen S., Karly D., David J.A., Jaylen V., MaLaysha T.

Parent Teacher Conference Registration Opens November 7, 2022: Registration opens at 8:00 AM on Monday November 7, 2022 for fall conferences which will be held on Monday November 21 (IN PERSON); Tuesday November 22 (VIRTUAL) and Wednesday November 23 (VIRTUAL). [Details and directions on how to register](#) are available online.

**Does your child need a bed? Sleep in Heavenly Peace** has beds and are taking applications at <https://shpbeds.org/apply/> or call 844.432.2337 x 5925 The Baltimore Sun recently published an article highlighting Sleep in Heavenly Peace: 'No kid sleeps on the floor in our town'

**Oakland Mills High School Craft Fair!** Start your holiday shopping early!  
Join us for the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual OMHS Craft Fair, sponsored by the OMHS PTSA  
Saturday, November 5, 2022 from 10 AM - 3 PM  
Oakland Mills High School located at 9410 Kilimanjaro Road  
Close to 100 vendors selling unique crafts & gifts -- we even have a face painter this year!

**HCPSS Community News!** Approved materials will be published on the [HCPSS Community News and Programs website](#) (Links to an external site.) which is user-friendly and searchable.

**Important Dates:**

Friday October 21, 2022	Schools Closed for Students Teacher Work Day
Monday October 24, 2022	Schools Closed for Students Professional Learning Day
Friday October 28, 2022	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip to Howard County Conservancy 9:30-1:30 PTA-Trunk or Treat 6:00-7:00
Monday October 31, 2022	Flu Vaccine Clinic at TSES
Wednesday November 2, 2022	Early Dismissal for students at 12:10 End of Quarter 1
Monday November 7, 2022	Synergy opens for November Conference Sign Up
Tuesday November 8, 2022	Schools Closed for Election Day
Thursday November 10, 2022	Reset and Reconnect at TSES
Saturday November 12, 2022	Trot for Talbott at TSES! Registration at 8:00; Walk/Run at 8:30
Thursday November 17, 2022	TSES PTA Meeting at 7:00 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade In School Field Trip 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade In School Field Trip
Monday November 21, 2022	Student Dismissal at 12:10 PM-Parent Teacher Conferences

Tuesday November 22, 2022

Wednesday November 23, 2022

Friday December 2, 2022

Scholastic Book Fair In Person 1:00-7:30

Student Dismissal at 12:10 PM-Parent Teacher Conferences

School Closed for Parent Teacher Conferences

Dental Clinic at TSES