November 18, 2022

Talbott Springs Families,

Thank you to the families who were able to attend our American Education Week events! We are so grateful to Mr. McDonald, Mrs. Glassband and Mrs. Healy for preparing and presenting information about Math instruction and Math at home. We hope that each of the participants gained an understanding that math is still math... it is just being taught in the component parts to assure a depth of understanding of number relationships. Our goal is for each of our students to pass Algebra the first time it is taken as a subject in either middle or high school! Thank you also to the many families that joined us for Trot for Talbott! We look forward to Parent-Teacher Conferences next week! Parent Teacher Conferences are the perfect time to discuss your child's progress as seen on the report card! Please call Talbott Springs Elementary if you have not signed up for your Parent Teacher Conference and we will do our best to accommodate your schedule. A guide to assist with your preparation for your child's conference can be found on the HCPSS website at <u>this link</u>.

HCPSS Board of Education Policy 1000 'Civility' emphasizes mutual respect in communication for all students, employees and family members as we are all models for children. Your commitment to assuring respectful communication while at Talbott Springs Elementary School is appreciated. Thank you to the TSES PTA for a wonderful conversation about the HCPSS Superintendent's Vision of <u>A Student's Journey to Success</u> on Thursday evening. The TSES PTA is exploring their role in assuring that all students are provided with the access they need to perform at their best. Please remember that Monday 11/21 and Tuesday 11/22 are early dismissal days for all HCPSS students! I hope that each of you has a wonderful weekend and a Happy Thanksgiving next week if you are celebrating!

Nancy Thompson, Principal

Information:

TSES Scholastic Book Fair is Coming! The Book Fair will be open for student purchases during the school day on Monday and Tuesday, 11/21 and 11/22. The fair will also be open Monday ONLY from 1:00-7:30pm.

Ways to purchase books:

-Send your student with their wish list and cash/check to TSES/ewallet (use the link below)

-Shop online https://www.scholastic.com/bf/talbottsprings

-Shop in person on Monday, 11/21 between 1:00 and 7:30pm

If you set up an ewallet for your child, please print the wallet or email laura_ciarrocchi@hcpss.org so we make sure they shop the fair!

COVID Booster Vaccines at TSES: On December 7, 2022, Our School-Based Wellness Center will offer free COVID bivalent booster vaccines for children ages 5 through 11 years of age who have received their primary COVID series two months ago or longer.

If you would like your child to receive this vaccine for protection against the COVID virus, <u>please</u> <u>complete the attached paperwork and return to the school nurse by Monday December 5th.</u>

If you have questions, please email the School-Based Wellness Centers Program office at: <u>howardsbwc@howardcountymd.gov</u>

El 7 de diciembre de 2022, en nuestro centro de salud de la escuela estaremos ofreciendo vacunas de refuerzos bivalentes contra el COVID gratis. Serán para los niños de 5 a 11 años que han recibido sus dos dosis hace 2 meses o mas.

Si desea que su hijo/a reciba esta vacuna para su protección contra el virus del COVID<u>, por favor</u> <u>complete el papeleo y mándelo de regreso a la enfermera de la escuela antes del lunes 5 de</u> <u>diciembre</u>.

Si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor mande un correo electrónico a la oficina del Centro de Salud para las Escuelas al: <u>howardsbwc@howardcountymd.gov</u>

TSES SEL Question of the Week for the week of November 7-Last week's question of the week was: What is Perspective? During our Social Emotional Learning (SEL) time we talked about ways to solve this problem. Perspective is the way that someone thinks about something. Two people can have different perspectives on the same topic and we can all respect the perspective of another. Please ask your child about this!

Title I: Talbott Springs Elementary is a Title I Schoolwide Program school. Title I is a federally funded program designed to close achievement gaps and ensure all children have an opportunity to access a high-quality education by providing funding for supplemental academic services and supports. A Family-School Compact & Plan is an agreement between families, students, and teachers that is jointly developed and distributed to all families. It explains how families, students, and teachers will work as a team to make sure all students meet with success <u>HERE</u> and get the support they need to achieve grade level goals. The TSES Family School Compact and Calendar of Events can be found and on the TSES Title I website. You will have a chance to ask questions about this document at your child's upcoming parent teacher conference. If you have any input or feedback, please contact Sophie Healy at sophie_healy@hcpss.org or Allyson Glassband at allyson_glassband@hcpss.org.

Giving Tuesday is November 29, 2022. This year we provide 80 students at TSES with food for the weekend. Make a difference this 2022-23 school year at Talbott Springs in the lives of food-insecure kids in our school by donating to Blessings in a Backpack. With Blessings you know that your donation-no matter the amount-will make a difference. At the end of the week, Blessings' students receive a bag of food to place in their backpacks for the weekend. A donation of \$150.00 feeds a student for the school year. Students have their entire lives ahead of them Let's make sure hunger is not holding them back. Blessings' mission is to provide hunger-free weekends. Your donation will make that difference. TSES-We've got this! https://www.blessingsinabackpack.org/talbott-springs/

Individual Picture Retake Day is on Tuesday November 29! If your child was absent on the TSES Student Individual Picture Day or if you would like to have your child's picture re taken, please see the information at the following links. Please know if you are requesting a re-take, the original

pictures will need to be returned in the original envelope. Thank you! <u>School Pictures Flyer</u> <u>Order</u> <u>Envelope</u>.

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), were sent home! Please check your child's backpack! The form is also linked to the TSES website. Please return the forms by Monday Nov. 7. If you have any questions, please call the health room at 410-313-6918.

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 with questions! <u>Please find the information flyer and the required coversheet information at this link.</u>

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 (singing, playing instruments, creating, and moving are some of the skills). Here are the super singers for the period Here are our super singers for the week of 11/7-11/14: Keon P., Michael C., Cristofher C., Makayla W., Jonathan Y., Lesly A., Autumn H., Logan L., Tonio R., Parker A., Dylan C., Carsyn F., Katie L., Douglas H., Liya S., Joshua R.A., Braylen F., Marjory R.M., Gabrielle S., Maya S., Austin T., Victoria R., Matthew C.

HCPSS Community News! Approved materials will be published on the <u>HCPSS Community News</u> and <u>Programs website (Links to an external site.)</u> which is user-friendly and searchable.

Important Dates:

Monday November 21, 2022 Student Dismissal at 12:10 PM-Parent Teacher Conferences Scholastic Book Fair In Person 1:00-7:30 Tuesday November 22, 2022 Student Dismissal at 12:10 PM-Parent Teacher Conferences Wednesday November 23, 2022 School Closed for Parent Teacher Conferences Tuesday November 29, 2022 Student Individual Picture Re-Take Day Friday December 2, 2022 **Dental Clinic at TSES** December 5-9, 2022 Inclusive Schools Week Wednesday December 14, 2022 Early Dismissal for Students at 12:10 Wednesday December 14, 2022 TSES PTA Restaurant Night at Mod Pizza Thursday December 15, 2022 TSES PTA Meeting at 7:00 Friday December 16, 2022 **TSES in School Winter Concerts** Tuesday December 20, 2022 TSES Winter Concert at OMHS at 6:30