Talbott Springs Elementary School Friday Newsletter~January 3, 2020

A message from the Principal:

Happy New Year 2020 to all the members of our school community! It is interesting to think that when the next decade turns over, many of your children will be of driving age!! I hope that your children enjoyed their time away from school. It was so good to see our students arrive back on Thursday! They were ready to learn and started back into their routines without any hesitation! Please join me in congratulating two of our students who were selected to represent TSES in the Howard County Elementary Honor Band: Paulette A. and Briana R. We are proud of these ladies for the work that they have invested in learning and practicing their instruments! Please take note the dates at the end of this email! I hope that you have a wonderful weekend!

Nancy Thompson

NEW INFORMATION:

BSAP Spring Saturday Math Academy Registration Opens on Saturday January 11, 2020! Certified teachers offer instruction and enrichment in all levels of mathematics to a diverse student population through the academy which is offered each Saturday starting February 1, 2020 with the last class on Saturday March 14, 2020. Online and walk-in registration are available on January 11.

Outdoor Recess: HCPSS and TSES value recess as a time for students to participate in active play. Elementary schools are required to provide a supervised 30-minute recess each day. During the cold weather season, we monitor the temperature, the wind chill factor, precipitation and the condition of the playground to make decisions about whether or not recess will be outside. Depending on the age of the students, we may be outside for some or all of recess during the winter months. We do make every attempt to have recess outdoors! When we are not outside, the time is spent playing indoors. Please ensure that your children are dressed for cold weather play. We do have extra gloves/mittens and hats!

REPEATED INFORMATION:

Inclement Weather Student Dismissal Plans: In order to be prepared for unscheduled closings during the months ahead, or in the event of an emergency closing for any reason, please sign into your Family File at https://www.hcpss.org/connect/ to check how your child is scheduled to go home in the event of an UNSCHEDULED CLOSING. Please make sure that the information in Family File reflects how you want your child to be dismissed in these situations. Please have a conversation with your child about plans for early/unscheduled dismissals if the plan is different than normal dismissal procedures.

Bumble Bees and Spelling Bee: It is Bee Season! Please note that our Bumble Bees will take place on Wednesday January 8, 2020: Grade 2: 8:45-9:45; Grade 3: 11:45-12:45 and Grade 1 from 1:00-2:00. The Spelling Bee For Grades 4 and 5 will take place on January 22, 2020 starting at 1:45.

Upcoming Dates:

Wednesday January 8, 2020	Bumble Bees for Grades 1, 2 and 3	
	Grade 2	9:45-10:45
	Grade 3	10:45-11:45
	Grade 1	1:00-2:00
Tuesday January 14, 2020	Festival Chorus Field Trip 9:30-12:00 OM Choral Festival 6:30 at OMHS	
Monday January 13, 2020	5 th Grade (In School) Field Trip-Science Center	

Thursday January 16, 2020 TSES PTA Meeting at 7:00 in the TSES Media Center LEMS Rising 6th Grade Parent Orientation Meeting Monday January 20, 2020 Schools and Offices Closed-Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Wednesday January 22, 2020 Spelling Bee at 1:45 PM (Grades 4 and 5) Friday January 24, 2020 End Q2 Monday January 27, 2020 Schools Closed for Students~Professional Work Day Wednesday January 29, 2020 **Club Photos** Friday January 31, 2020 World Read Aloud Day~TSES Guest Reader Day Schools Closed for Election Day Tuesday February 4, 2020

Please visit the TSES WEBSITE <u>www.hcpss.org/tses</u> for additional calendar dates found in the 'calendar' tab.

Please visit the HCPSS Community News and Programs web-page for all announcements of events and programs sponsored by non-profit organizations.