

## Talbot Springs Elementary School Friday Newsletter~December 6, 2019

A message from the Principal,

I hope that the long holiday weekend with your families was fulfilling! With two weeks ahead prior to the Winter Break, please know that critical learning continues to take place at Talbot Springs Elementary. Every day is a learning day for children as our amazing staff is prepared to teach and support your children. Please assure that your children are at school every day and on time!

As a school leader, a constant concern is about exposure of young children to social media sites that have images and information that are beyond the developmental levels of understanding of elementary school aged children. Please continue to monitor your child's use of social media including You Tube, TikTok and other apps that do not filter inappropriate content for children. In addition, please monitor your child's texting habits including who is texting, the content of the texting and whether or not your child is responding. Have a conversation with your child if he or she has access to a phone or a tablet. You might be surprised at what information that your child can share. Children are so vulnerable and your vigilance is so much appreciated!

Thank you to the TSES PTA for a wonderful Craft Night! I am looking forward to Girls on the Run on Saturday and the TSES Geography Bee next Wednesday! I hope that you have a wonderful weekend!  
Nancy Thompson

### **NEW INFORMATION:**

**Inclement Weather Student Dismissal Plans:** As we approach the possibility of winter weather in the upcoming months, please take a moment to visit your Family File in HCPSS Connect to assure that the early dismissal plans that are in place are accurate. In the event that school is closed early for any reason, we are unable to call each family so we rely on your accurate dismissal information.

**Information for families redistricted from TSES to SFES:** At this time, families who have been redistricted for the 2020-2021 school year have received an email from HCPSS informing them of the change. If you are uncertain of your child's school placement for the 2020-2021 school year, please visit the Family File and click on the tab at the bottom of the left column labeled 'Redistricting 2020'.

**Great Opportunity for TSES Artists!** British American Auto is offering an opportunity for TSES students to enter a contest to create art for their New Year's card! Please visit this [link](#) for **additional information. Please note that entries are due on December 17, 2019 and must follow the rules that are specified. Best of luck to all!**

**National Geographic Bee:** Talbot Springs will be participating in The National Geographic GeoBee again this year. Our school GeoBee will be held on December 11th at 1:45 in the cafeteria. The following students will be competing: 5th graders- Talia, Maddox, Paulette, Rhea, Paradyxe, Blake, Giacomo, Aiden, Rose, Aliyah, Samuel, Eli, Cori, Kevin, and Hugh. 4th graders- Dillon, Violet, Zack, Colby, Abraham, Rozelyn, Rosemarie, Jonathan, Lucas, and Mireille. We can't wait to hear what our students have learned! Please wish each child the best of luck!

**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.

**From the TSES School Counselor:** Please read the December Issue of [The Advocate](#), a publication by provided by HCPSS and our School Counselor, Mrs. Sansone. Please feel free to contact Mrs. Sansone with any questions.

**TSES Super Singers!** Please look for this spot in our newsletter each week as we celebrate our Super Singers. We recognize students for RISE(ing) in music class by demonstrating participation and care during Music class that aligns with our TSES RISE expectations. Please join us in celebrating the following students for the weeks of 11/18 and 11/25: Choice W., Vincent L., Arthur B., Edwin R., Patrick P., Aaron R., Keilly C., Bryce R., Jonathan S., Jade-Elizabeth R., Mia H., Gabriel D., Carly B., Jonathan F., Caleb M., Julissa M.O., Jocelin M.T., Daniel C., Guillermo G.V., Lucas S., Ike O., Jesse A., Shariah A., Nico O.S., CJ H., Erin F., D'Aja H., Keon P., Megan F., Sasha K., Samuel C., My'Kel D.

**Free Books for Families!** Please check out this exciting opportunity! The SFES PTA is hosting a community children's book give-away this upcoming Monday, December 9th, from 4-5:15 at the Other Barn located at the Oakland Mills Village Center. Books are totally free (and make good holiday gifts!) and families are welcome to come and take as many as they like!

**PTA News and Information!**

**The TSES PTA has canceled the 12/12/19 meeting. Please enjoy the found time!**

**Upcoming Dates:**

Saturday December 7, 2019	Girls on the Run 5K at 8:00
Friday December 13, 2019	Q2 Interim Reports Issued
Tuesday December 17, 2019	In school Music Assemblies
Thursday December 19, 2019	TSES Winter Concert at OMHS at 6:30
December 23-January 1, 2020	HCPSS Winter Break~School Closed for Students
Thursday January 2, 2020	School re-opens after Winter Break
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

Please visit the TSES WEBSITE [www.hcpss.org/tses](http://www.hcpss.org/tses) 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.*