



# Falcon Newsletter

*Phelps Luck Elementary (410) 313-6886*

<http://ples.hcpss.org>

March 9, 2017

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## Important Dates

Thursday, March 9

Schools Close 3 hours early for students  
Parent/Teacher Conferences

Friday, March 10

11a.m.-8:00p.m. PLES Dine-Out Nite at Romas  
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Wednesday, March 15

6:30-8:00p.m. PTA Science Fair Workshop

Thursday, March 16

6:30-8:30p.m. PTA Bingo Night

Friday, March 17

PLES Spirit Day: Wear Green for St. Patrick's Day!

Monday, March 20

PTA Dine-Out Night at Urban BBQ

Tuesday, March 28

Class Pictures

Thursday, April 6

6:00-7:30p.m. Food Pantry in the Cafeteria

April 10 – 17

Read Across Phelps Luck Day

Tuesday, April 18

Spring Break

School Reopens

## **From the Principal. . .**

Dear Phelps Luck Families,

Last week, our PTA began a new fundraising program called "Clothing to Cash Recycling Program". A white collection bin was placed in our school parking lot. Please consider donating clothing, footwear, bedding, and/or toys to the bin. The PTA will be paid for every pound we collect! There is a detailed flier in your child's Thursday folder that shares specific details. All funds will help support our school and PTA programs. Thank you for any donations you can provide!

Sincerely,  
Michelle M. Leader  
Principal

## **School News**

### **Science Fair Workshop:**

Is your child completing a science fair project? Would you like your child to learn by doing a fun experiment? Do you want assistance completing the project? Then come to the PTA Science Fair Workshop on Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00p.m. in the cafeteria. We hope to see you there!

### **From the Media Center**

Ever wonder what fun we are having in the media center? Take a quick look at this linked SMORE flyer highlighting the most recent in Library Learning. <https://www.smores.com/zsvm2>

### **From the Art Room**

The art room is in need of empty yogurt containers. These small containers are the 6 to 8 ounce size. The lids are not needed. Thank you.

### **From the Health Room**

The Maryland Children's Health Program (MCHP) gives full health benefits for children up to age 19 and their families. Call the Howard County Health Department at (410) 313-5845 extension 111 to see if you are eligible.

### **PLES Book Cart!!!**

Our PLES Book Cart visits grades each day based on the schedule below. Our students have the opportunity to purchase some of their favorite books for just \$1.00!!! This year, we're grateful to our PTA for sponsoring our book cart. All of the proceeds benefit the replenishment of books to the cart. Thanks to the PTA for supporting our school-wide love for reading.

Mondays – Pre-K and Kindergarten  
Tuesday – First and Third Grade  
Wednesdays – Second and Fifth Grade  
Fridays – Fourth Grade

### **Training for Parent Volunteers**

In order to create a consistent process for training parent volunteers on issues of confidentiality, HCPSS has developed 2 brief training modules and certificate of completion. Both the modules and certificate are located at:

<http://www.hcpss.org/parent/volunteer-information>

[www.hcpss.org/f/employees/childabuse\\_ppt.pdf](http://www.hcpss.org/f/employees/childabuse_ppt.pdf)

[www.hcpss.org/f/parents/parent-volunteer-confidentiality-certificate.pdf](http://www.hcpss.org/f/parents/parent-volunteer-confidentiality-certificate.pdf)

Once you have completed the training, please submit your certificate of completion to the front office before registering as a volunteer. Parents must also do this in order to chaperone field trips. Thank you for your assistance!

### **From the PTA**

#### **BOX TOPS 4 EDUCATION**

Send **Box Tops for Education** labels to school ANYTIME in a bag or envelope marked "Box Tops 4 Education" or by using submission forms sent home monthly in your child's Thursday folder (make sure to cut out the logo AND expiration date). Box Tops earn **CASH** for our school that has been used to fund teacher training, student programs, and school supplies! Thanks for supporting PLES. Together, we can make a big difference!

### **From the Community**

#### **News 4 Schools**

Please visit the Community News and Programs page (<http://www.hcpss.org/community-news-and-programs/>) on the HCPSS website for announcements of upcoming events and programs sponsored by non-profit organizations.

### **GUMC FOOD PANTRY**

The Glenelg United Methodist Church (GUMC) Food Pantry is open every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month, providing grocery assistance to those in need. The next time the pantry is open is Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, from 9am-11am. As a partner of the Howard County Food Bank, we provide both county food as well as food/toiletries from individual donations. GUMC is located at 13900 Burntwoods Rd., Glenelg. You may contact us for pantry questions or to make a donation at 410-489-7260 or [glenelgumcpantry@gmail.com](mailto:glenelgumcpantry@gmail.com).



# No Doubts... No Limits...

Michelle Leader~ Principal

Connie Fowlkes ~ Assistant Principal