



Falcon Newsletter

Phelps Luck Elementary (410) 313-6886

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Important Dates

Friday, October 20

Monday, October 30

Friday, November 3

Friday, November 10

November 13 – 17

Friday, November 17

Monday, November 20

Tuesday, November 21

Wednesday, November 22

November 23 & 24

No School – Teacher Work Day

6:30-8:00pm Reading Night & Trunk-or-Treat

Individual Picture Day

End of Marking period - Schools Close 3 hours early (12:25 pm)

American Education Week

Report Cards Issued

Parent/Teacher Conferences –Schools Close 3 hours early (12:25)

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Schools Closed for Parent/Teacher Conferences

Schools Closed for Thanksgiving

From the Principal. . .

Dear Phelps Luck Families,

Last week, your child brought home their first quarter Interim Report. This is a great opportunity to see how your child is performing so far during the first quarter. If you have any questions/concerns, please contact your child's teacher.

Also, we are hosting our Falling in Love with Reading Night and Trunk-or-Treat on Monday, October 30th. Please see the details below. We hope you can join us for this amazing night!

Thank you,
Michelle Leader
Principal

IMPORTANT REMINDER

If you have moved or plan on moving, please notify the office of your new address. You will need to bring your new lease/deed and a current utility bill to the office in order for your child's record to be updated.

School News

SCHOOL PICTURE DAY - FRIDAY, NOV. 3, 2017

A postcard-sized flier about picture day is being sent home in the Thursday folder. It's a great size to post on your refrigerator. There are several ways to order your child's individual picture:

On-line Pre-orders:

Done ahead of time up and until midnight on Nov. 3rd. The Pre-Order code is VKXQRRU4 which is also printed on the postcard.

Envelope Orders

Envelopes will be sent home the day before picture day. Please complete the order form and place payment in envelope. Return next day, November 3rd, picture day, with your child.

Order from Proof

All students present will have their pictures taken. If you did not order on-line or with the envelope, you will still have a chance to order once the picture proof is sent home. Instructions on how to order from the proof will be in the proof packet.

Absentee/New Students/Retake Day

The photographer will schedule a retake day later in November. New and absent students will have their pictures taken that day. Envelopes will be sent home with those students the day before.

Reading Night & Trunk-or-Treat!

Save the Date - Monday, October 30th

Please join us on Monday, October 30th for an evening of Reading and fall fun from 6:30-8:00pm! In order to be more inclusive of all families' beliefs, we are very excited to announce that in place of a day time costume parade and Halloween party, you will have the opportunity to trunk-or-treat in the school parking lot at the end of this event! Students are invited to wear book character costumes to the Reading Night! We ask that you leave masks and costume weapons at home. **If you wish to donate candy, please send in any bags of unopened candy to the front office.** Hope to see you there! We will have Fall Fun activities during the day on October 31st. Each grade-level team will communicate plans and activities with families prior to this date.

Early Dismissal Procedures:

If you need to pick up your child early for an appointment that is close to the end of the school day, please do so prior to 3:00pm. After 3:00pm it is very difficult for our front office staff to get students while assisting with dismissal procedures. We appreciate your assistance with this! Thank you!

From the Health Room

The health room is in dire need of pants donation and underwear for boys and girls (small sizes, i.e., 4-14), please no shirts or socks.

Falcon Newsletter – Going Green

Our Falcon Newsletter is sent out via School Messenger and posted on the Phelps Luck Elementary website twice a month. In order to save paper, and be green conscious, this edition of the newsletter will be the final issue sent home in paper form to every family. If you would like to continue to receive paper copies, please send a note to the front office, via your child's homeroom. Starting November 19th, the PLES Newsletter will be available only through School Messenger, on the PLES website at PLES.hcpss.org, or by filling out the "Opt-In" form that went home with all students

From the Media Center

All 5th Graders are invited to participate in the HC Library Battle of the Books Reading Celebration and Competition. Please see the flyer in your Thursday folder (or the flyer sent to you thru Canvas or the flyer that your student brings home from Media) for more information. Students will be learning about this competition in Media Class. This Book Club opportunity is purely voluntary! Coaches are needed! Visit the HC Library for more information: <http://hclibrary.org/new-a-main/battle-of-the-books/>

Looking to alleviate your Lego collection? The Media Center is looking for Lego donations (and other building materials) to support our creative problem solving MakerSpaces! Please contact Mrs. Greene (stephanie_greene@hcpss.org) if you would like to arrange a donation!

From the Reading Team

The book cart is back! Each grade level will have the opportunity to purchase books for \$1.00 on their assigned day. See the schedule below so you know when to bring in your money!

- Tuesday - Pre-K/Kindergarten
- Wednesday - First/Second Grade
- Thursday - Third/Fifth Grade
- Friday - Fourth Grade

From the Community

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.

Fall/Winter Clothing Gift Away:

Free clothing for all ages, Infant to Adult. Saturday October 28, 2017 9:00-10:30

North Laurel Community Center

9411 Whiskey Bottom Road Laurel, MD 20723

Contact: 410-313-0220 or email mscinfo@howardcountymd.gov/msc



No Doubts... No Limits...

Michelle Leader~ Principal

Connie Fowlkes ~ Assistant Principal