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1 – PTA/CLES Calendar

- Apr. 14 PTA Executive Board Meeting – **7pm** CLES Media Center *NOTE TIME CHANGE!
(Members of 8th grade Girl Scout Troop1340 will be providing childcare)
- Apr. 14 Market Day On-line Orders Due @11:59pm
- Apr. 14 Burleigh Manor Middle School – 5th Grade Parents GT Orientation – 6:30-8pm BMMS
- Apr. 17 Team 3 Cultural Arts Assembly & Workshops - Anansegromma of Ghana African Drummers
Team 5 Cultural Arts - Author Visit
- Apr. 21 Market Day Pick-up – 6:30 – 7:30pm CLES Cafeteria
- Apr. 22 Administrative Professionals Day**
- Apr. 24 CLES Band - Plays National Anthem at Frederick Keys Game
- Apr. 29 Marathon Kids Impact Statement Presentation – 7pm CLES Cafeteria**
- May 1 Schools Closed – Professional Learning
- May 4 – 22 Pre-Spring Fair Tickets Sales
- May 4-8 Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 4 CLES Band - Spring Concert – 7pm Centennial High School
- May 6 Walk & Wheel Wednesday
- May 8 Fair Friday! Wear a Red Top to show off your Fair Spirit!
- May 8 CLES PTA World Fair - 6:30-8:30pm CLES Cafeteria
- May 12 PTA Executive Board Meeting - 7pm CLES Media Center
- May 15 Fair Friday! Wear a Red Top to show off your Fair Spirit
- May 15 Parent Volunteer Luncheon - 11am-1pm CLES Cafeteria
- May 15 School Supplies Ordering for 2015/16 School Year Opens
- May 21 Field Day
- May 22 Fair Friday! Wear a Red Top to show off your Fair Spirit
- May 25 Schools Closed – Memorial Day
- May 29 Fair Friday! Wear a Red Top to show off your Fair Spirit
- May 29 Spring Fair Preview Night – 6:30 – 8pm
- May 30 Spring Fair – 11am – 3pm
- June 3 Walk & Wheel Wednesday

Week of Sunday April 12-
Week of Sunday April 19-

Volunteer Week 2
Volunteer Week 3

Band & Orchestra Week - A
Band & Orchestra Week - B

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2-PTA Happenings - Happy Spring Centennial Lane! Did you hear? The Fair is Coming! The Fair is Coming! Our Spring Fair Committee is in high gear pulling everything together for the 2015 CLES PTA Spring Fair. The Silent Auction Committee has been out and about pulling in incredible items for the auction, including an American Girl Doll, plus Hershey Park, Nats and Disney tickets! Thank you to everyone who has already donated to our raffle baskets! Down on the field, we have some new games including Skee Ball and Potty Toss to join our favorites from years gone by like Pick-a-Pop, Break-a-Plate and Plinko. The fair really does have something for everyone – great bake-sale items, games, crafts, entertainment, a photo-booth, face painting and much, much more. We have a lot coming up before we get to the fair. Fair Friday’s will start on May 8th! Students should wear a red top to show off their fair spirit on the Friday’s leading

up to the fair for the chance to win prizes during their lunch period. In May, World Fair will celebrate our community's cultural diversity. We celebrate our teachers in May, too. Teacher Appreciation week is in the beginning of May and our Staff Appreciation Committee will help us show them how much we appreciate everything they do for us all year. Our Walk and Wheel Wednesday's have gotten a lot of bad weather this spring. We are looking forward to May to get us all out and walking and wheeling to school! Bad weather has been the theme this spring, the Science Fair ushered in a nice little meteorological event for us to talk about with our last snowstorm that came the day the fair was held! Great job to all the students who worked on a project and/or poster and thanks to the "EGGcellent" entertainment. Thank you to everyone who came out to eat or carry out at Tino's Restaurant Night Fundraiser. What a treat to have them do the cooking for an evening and help raise money for our school. Our community was also treated to a nighttime Cultural Arts Laser Show!

3-Spring Fair Silent Auction Items Needed! - We are currently accepting Silent Auction Donations for the Spring Fair! If you or someone in your family has an item or service which can be donated to the Silent Auction this year, please let us know! Some items donated in the past include but are not limited to: *Professional Services* from party planners, dermatologists, orthodontists, contractors, interior designers, music instructors and tutors; *Merchandise* from Mary Kay, Pampered Chef, Longaberger and Stella and Dot; *Entertainment*, such as golf lessons, dance classes or tickets to a concert or sporting event; *Gift Cards* to restaurants, specialty stores and local supermarkets. Silent Auction Donation Forms were sent home before Spring Break. If you need a new form or additional information contact Elizabeth Graff at elizabethhgraff@gmail.com or Jessica Esposito at jesposito13@gmail.com. If donating, **return your donation form to school by April 24th**, in an envelope marked Silent Auction/Elizabeth Graff. Remember proceeds from the auction are used in enhancing our students learning experience through numerous PTA sponsored programs!

****New this year!!** You can donate a gift card from local establishments. Some ideas include: Home Depot, Target, Giant, Safeway, Dick's, Home Goods, Outback. This is an easy way to donate! You can send in any type of gift cards in an envelope labeled 'Silent Auction/Elizabeth Graff'.

4-Spring Fair - Sponsorship Opportunities - \$100 - \$500!

Do you have a local business, or know of one, that would like to sponsor the CLES Spring Fair? It's a great investment in a great community event! The annual CLES Spring Fair is a wonderful day for the Centennial community and draws families from other parts of the county. Sponsoring the Spring Fair provides an opportunity for local businesses to reach hundreds of families in the area in advance, during, and after the event. Sponsors will reach local families on a regular basis through a number of our communication vehicles - the PTA website, shout outs by DJ on day of the fair, family or business name in the auction catalog, professionally made signs posted on day of the fair. Business names are also printed on the 250 Spring Fair t-shirts worn by volunteers on the day of the fair and beyond! This is a great opportunity for CLES parents who have a local business to get the word out and support our school! Sponsorship packets were sent home with students this week. Sponsorships are available to individual families and groups of friends as well as businesses. Interested sponsors should contact Maureen Ritter at mr Ritter99@netzero.net

5-Spring Fair Raffle Baskets – Donations Due April 24th!

The Spring Fair Silent Auction Committee is asking for donations to build Team Baskets that will be raffled off at the Spring Fair! Please send your donations, cash or check made out to CLES PTA, in an envelope marked "Spring Fair Basket Donation – Attention Effie Stavlas". This year's basket theme's are:

TeamK – Nerf & American Girl Bitty Baby

Team1 – Lego

Team2 – Money Trees

Team3 – iPad Mini

Team4 – Kindle Fire

Team5 – GoPro Video Camera

6-Pre-Fair Ticket Sales! – Pre-Fair Ticket Sales will start on May 4th and run through May 22nd! Order forms will go home on May 4th and will be posted on the clespta.org website in the Spring Fair section. Buy early and save! Day of fair: Wristbands are \$25, Pre-Fair Wristbands are \$20! Day of the fair tickets are 50 cents each, Pre-Sale Tickets are 24 tickets for \$10! For those raffle baskets lovers out there, we have a special pre-fair price for raffle tickets, too! The day of the fair raffle ticket's are \$1. Pre-Fair raffle tickets are 15 for \$10!

7-Spring Fair Used Book Sale is Back! – Due to popular demand, our used book sale will return to the fair this year! Collection bins will be in the front lobby beginning April 15th. We are delighted to receive your donation of books for all reading levels to be sold at the Spring Fair with proceeds benefitting the CLES PTA. Donated books should be clean, dry and generally in good condition. Please no magazines, encyclopedias or paperbacks without covers. Questions? Please contact Alice Haupt at aeh_purple@yahoo.com

8-Looking for SF Performer's Coordinator – We have several local groups that love to come entertain us at the Spring Fair. In years past we have had T. We are looking for a parent to coordinate with the performers contact before and the day of the fair. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Kristi Pistner at kpistner@aol.com

9-Calling All Volunteers! – The Spring Fair is our biggest fundraiser of the year and it takes lots of help to make it happen. Ready to sign-up? The volunteer sign-up will come out in early May!

10-BMMS 5th Grade Parent GT Orientation - All 5th grade parents/guardians are invited to attend the Burleigh Manor Middle School GT Orientation on Tuesday, April 14 from 6:30 to 8:00.

11-Marathon Kids Impact Statement Presentation – Tuesday, April 28th 7pm – CLES Cafeteria

Did you know that today's generation of youth may be the first in history to live five years less than their parents?

Please join us for a presentation given by the program administrators from Marathon Kids. The Marathon Kids program team has concluded a year long evaluation of its programming efforts as they relate to youth physical activity leading to a first-hand understanding of the transformative effect that sports education and physical activity can have on long-term healthy behavior adoption and are anxious to share the conclusions drawn from their work. We very much hope that you will join us for this informative and enjoyable discussion.

12-CLES PTA World Fair - Friday, May 8th 6:30-8:30pm CLES Cafeteria

Please help CLES celebrate our cultural diversity by contributing to the event! You can bring a dish or game to share, have your child make an informative poster, or participate in a fashion and/or talent expo.

Click this link to go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/ntvsBq>

Questions? Contact Gena Chung at 240.375.9927. Thank you! The World Fair Committee

13-Walk & Wheel Wednesday – May 6th! We've seen snow and we've seen rain. May is sure to bring good walking and wheeling weather! Join us by walking and biking to and from school on May 6th! We have now have signs for WWW. If you would like to "Adopt-a-Sign" please contact Kris Singleton at klsworking@yahoo.com

14-Box Tops For Education - We collect Box Tops ALL year! Send Box Tops into school in a Ziploc bag with your child's name and teacher's name written on it for the chance to win a gift card in the BoxTop raffle!

15-School Supplies Sale - On sale May 15th! We are using a new company, School Toolbox. This company allows each parent to customize his or her order and also allows home delivery. Look for more information to come out later this spring. Any questions should be directed to Kay Vandenberg at kvandnberg@aol.com.

16-Reflections Winners - Thank you to all the students who participated in the 2014-2015 Reflections Art Program!

•We are happy to share the news that the following students advanced from county to state level:

Music: Vijay Jagarapu, Syamakrishna Mallajosyula & Mehdi Ibrahim

Dance: Sireen Kazmi & Layla Zaidi

Photography - Rebecca Donovan

Film - Hamza Kazmi & Mariyah Zaidi

•We also had 3 winners that placed at STATE level!!

Outstanding Interpretation of Theme - 1st place - Music - Vijay Jagarapu

Award of Merit - 3rd Place - Music - Syamakrishna Mallajosyula & Film - Mariyah Zaidi

•Vijay Jagarapu will continue on to the National Level and receive a certificate, trophy, \$75 and 3 tickets to the MDPTA Reflections Awards Ceremony in July. Congratulations!

17-CLES English Language Arts Parent Night - Thursday, April 16, 2015 – CLES

Save the Date! Please join us for Ways to Support Your Child With Writing! You will get a brief overview of writing expectations for each grade level and the connection to reading, a goal setting chart to motivate your child in the area of writing and fun ideas to get your child writing more at home (and over the summer!) Be on the lookout for a flier to RSVP!

18-Parent Volunteer Luncheon – Friday, May 15th 11am-1pm CLES Cafeteria

Mark your calendars! The staff at CLES appreciates all that you do for us, so please be our guest! Eat, Drink, and Enjoy... after all, you are the stars of this show!

19-PARCC Testing - All students in grades 3-5 will be participating in PARCC Testing. PARCC is the name for the new reading, writing and mathematics assessments developed by the multi-state Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers. PARCC has two parts: the Performance Based Assessment (PBA) and the End of Year Assessment (EOY). Students will be taking the EOY between April 20 and April 30. Each grade (3-5) will have 3 days of testing for the EOY. You can visit the following link to learn more about PARCC, to take PARCC tutorials, or take practice tests: <http://marylandpublicschools.org/msde/programs/parcc/parents/>.

20-Ants Go Marching - LAST CALL for SPRING 2015 - CLASSES START NEXT WEEK ! Mondays/7 weeks/April 13- June 1 (no class 5/25)/5:30PM-6:30PM/\$125/Grades 1 – 4. Minimum enrollment must be met for classes to proceed - Get the word out today! Go to www.smashingants.com for online registration and details. We all have ANTs – Automatic Negative Thoughts - from time to time. What's important is knowing what to do with them! Smashing ANTs™ is a unique program that gives kids the tools, language & skills necessary to recognize and challenge their ANTs. Empower your child toward success and happiness. Questions? Contact Michelle Schwelling at michellesmashingants@gmail.com or 410-292-2254.

21-Centennial Lane Summer Band Camp – July 20th -30th at St. John's Episcopal Church

Tell all your friends! The CLES Band Camp will be held this summer. The camp brochure is posted under "Program Info" at: <http://clesbands.weebly.com/band-camp.html>

22-K.I.D.S. Summer Camps -

K.I.D.S. Presents "PETER PAN" Camp dates - June 29 - July 17

Show dates - July 16 & 17, 7:30 PM at Centennial High School for students in grades K - 5

Teen K.I.D.S. presents "GREASE" Camp dates - July 20 - August 7

Show dates - August 6 & 7, 7:30 PM at Centennial High School For students on Grades 5 - 12

If your child is currently in 5th grade, he/she would be eligible to register for either or both camps.

If your child is currently in 6th grade, he/she would be eligible to register for the Teen Camp, "GREASE"

K.I.D.S. email: stevie@kids-drama.com K.I.D.S. website: www.kids-drama.com

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