

# CLES DOLPHIN SPLASH

Centennial Lane Elementary School PTA <http://www.clespta.org>  
FEBRUARY 23, 2017

## FEBRUARY:

2/23 World Showcase - BMMS  
2/27 Kindergarten Registration  
2/27-3/3 Read Across America Week

## MARCH:

3/3 Green/STEM Day at CLES (Presenters during the school day)  
3/6-10 Book Fair at CLES  
3/6 Subway Restaurant Night  
3/8 Interims Issued  
3/9 Parent-Teacher Conferences - 3 hour early dismissal  
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3/10 Jumprope for Heart during PE classes  
3/13 Spirit Day: March Madness- Wear your favorite college team "wear".  
3/13 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science MSA Window Opens  
3/14 PTA Meeting at 7:00 p.m. - CLES Media Center (All are welcome)  
3/23 STEM Night  
3/31- 4/6 Change Matters - Supports our local homeless shelter Grassroots

## APRIL:

4/3 Quarterly Celebration Invitations go home  
4/7 End of Marking Period- 3 hour early dismissal  
4/10-17 Spring Break- Schools Closed  
4/19 PTA Meeting at 7:00 p.m. - CLES Media Center (All are welcome)  
4/21 Quarterly Celebrations for K & 1 at 9:15am  
4/21 Battle of the Books at 7pm (More Information to Come)  
4/24 Quarterly Celebrations for Gr 2 & 3 at 9:15am, Grade 4 & 5 at 2:15pm  
4/24 PARCC Testing Window Opens (More information to come)  
4/25 Report Cards Issued

## MAY:

5/16 PTA Meeting at 7:00 p.m. - CLES Media Center (All are welcome)  
5/25 Simulated Congressional Hearing (5<sup>th</sup> grade)

## JUNE

6/2 Spring Fair Preview Night (More details to come soon)  
6/3 CLES Spring Fair!

\*new dates/info added to the calendar have been **shown in blue**\*

## **UPCOMING PTA EVENT DETAILS and INFO:**

**WORLD SHOWCASE - ONE WORLD/ONE NIGHT**-Thursday, February 23 - 6:30 - 8:30 PM at BMMS

BMMS & CLES Students and their families will come together for another year at Burleigh Manor Middle School to celebrate the rich cultural heritage of our families and the diverse cultures that make up our community! All BMMS & CLES students and their families are invited to attend and participate. This is a great opportunity for students and families to represent their culture or where they come from in the world by creating an interactive gallery walk presentation (tri-fold board or activity), a dance or performance to perform on the World Showcase stage or make food to share at our Taste the World event.

**READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK- FEB. 27- MARCH 3:** *During the week of February 27<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating Read Across America Week and Dr. Seuss's birthday. We will be having the following spirit days:*

Monday 2/27- ***Fox in Socks Day*** Wear fun socks and show them off!  
Tuesday 2/28- ***Stripes Day*** Wear as many stripes as you can!  
Wednesday 3/1- ***Read My Shirt Day*** Wear a shirt with appropriate words to school!  
Thursday 3/2- ***Hat Day*** - Wear a Dr. Seuss Hat or any fun hat to school!  
Friday 3/3- ***Faith in the Flakes***- Wear your FITF tshirt or any blue/green shirt

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION- FEB. 27- MARCH 3:** CLES will have registration for new students, or students entering public school Kindergarten in 2017. It will take place at Centennial Lane Elementary School from Monday, February 27th through Friday, March 3rd from 9:00am until 2:00pm each day. **We will be open on Tuesday, February 28th until 5:30pm.** We will take the last registration at 5:00pm.

Kindergarten is mandatory in Maryland. State law requires children entering Kindergarten in the fall of 2017 must be 5 years of age on or before September 1, 2017. Children entering First Grade in the fall of 2017 must be 6 years old on or before September 1, 2017. **Parents or guardians are to register students at the school currently serving the address where the child's parent or guardian resides. Parents may check the School and Bus Locator link on the school system web site, <http://www.hcpss.org>**

*The parent or guardian must present the following information at the time of registration:*

- . The child's evidence of birth (For example- Birth certificate, Birth Registration)*
- . An authorized record of immunizations*
- . Proof of residency in the form of a lease, a deed and a current utility bill*
- . Photo ID of the parent/guardian*
- . Proof of custody if applicable*

Driver's licenses and voter registration cards will not be accepted as proof of residence. Immunization and health forms are available at Centennial Lane Elementary School.

Families who require interpreter services can contact the Office of International Student Services at [410-313-1525](tel:410-313-1525) or [410-313-7102](tel:410-313-7102) for registration assistance.

SAVE the DATE: Our Kindergarten Sneak Peek will be May 31st or June 1st at 2pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet the Kindergarten teachers, hear an overview of the Kindergarten program and for the children to have a 'sneak peek' of the kindergarten classrooms.

If you have any questions, please call the front office [410-313-2800](tel:410-313-2800).  
CLES Front Office.

**BOOK FAIR:** The book fair is coming up soon (3/6-10) and the PTA is asking for volunteers. If you can spare any time to help out, your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Please take a look at our signup sheet and see if you can help us make it a FANTASTIC event.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ea9a622a02-book1>

Contact Leigh Middleton at [lawpirate@hotmail.com](mailto:lawpirate@hotmail.com), Kimberlee Wilson at [kimberlee.d.wilson@gmail.com](mailto:kimberlee.d.wilson@gmail.com), or Helen Xu at [athelen.xuhui@gmail.com](mailto:athelen.xuhui@gmail.com) with any questions. Thank you so much in advance!!!"

**SUBWAY RESTAURANT NIGHT- March 6:** Our next Restaurant Fundraiser Night will be on Monday, March 6!

**Where:** Subway located at 9275 Baltimore National Pike Ellicott City, MD 21042 (next to Jiffy Lube and Starbucks)

**When:** March 6th 2017 from 3 p.m. until 10 p.m.

**Why:** 15% of sales will be donated back to our school

**JUMP ROPE FOR HEART DURING RELATED ARTS: MARCH 9-10:** It is that time of year again for our students to participate in Jump Rope for Heart. On March 9th and 10th all students will participate in jump rope activities during their related arts classes on the half days. This will be a fun and exciting time! All students will learn and participate in jumping activities regardless of whether they choose to do the fundraising activity or not. The fundraising envelopes have been sent home this week. This is optional for all students and families. Jump Rope for Heart is a fundraising activity with all proceeds going to help children, communities and schools through American Heart initiatives. With the support of our community, we hope to continue to raise money for the American Heart Association. Thank you in advance for your help and support in making this program successful here at CLES. -Mr .P, Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Tyrrell

**BOX TOPS:** Box Tops- Who is ready for a raffle? From Feb 10th to March 10th, anyone who sends in 10 box tops will be entered in to a raffle for a \$10 Target Gift Card! Each 10 Valid Box Tops submitted = one raffle entry. If you send in 10 Box Tops, your name is entered one time for the raffle. If you send in 100 Box Tops, your name is entered 10 times. New Collection Sheets will be sent home this week. All raffle winners will receive their prize the week of March 13th. Have questions? Email Mary McDonald at [gcbuilder@verizon.net](mailto:gcbuilder@verizon.net). Good luck and THANK YOU!

**CLES STEM NIGHT: March 23 6-8pm:** Come participate in hands on activities involving science, technology, engineering and math!

***Activities Include:***

- Maryland Science Center Engineering Activities:** 8 different activities! Design a rocket to launch through the air! Operate real tools to complete simulated operation challenges! Code a maze for a robotic cat! And more!
- 21 Bears on a Bridge (Engineering Design Challenge):** Can you design and build a bridge that can hold 21 bears? Use the Engineering Design process to find out!
- Help is On the Way! (Engineering Design Challenge):** Help! A boat is sinking and it is your job to save as many people as possible. Use the Engineering Design process to design a boat and test to see how many people (pennies) it can hold before sinking. Improve your design to try and save more people!
- Dash and Dot:** Use coding to program robots Dash and Dot to complete different challenges!
- Online Coding:** Visit our computer lab to explore online coding activities!

**YEARBOOK PHOTOS: DO YOU HAVE ANY NEW PHOTOS FROM THIS SCHOOL YEAR?** The yearbook committee will be accepting photo submissions through early spring. Please submit photos/questions to: [yearbook.cles@gmail.com](mailto:yearbook.cles@gmail.com) Please send separate emails for events, and include the event in the title of your email (i.e. "Dolphin Dash" or "First Day of School") Submission of photos does not guarantee placement in the yearbook.

**REMINDER FROM THE FRONT OFFICE AND HEALTH ROOM:** As we continue into cold and flu season, we want to remind everyone of the procedures for when you have a sick child and an absence occurs. This past quarter, we had many unverified absences for our CLES students. Please remember that written notes are required for any absences and must be submitted within two days of your child's return to school. Students must be fever free without medication for 24 hours before students are able to return to school. Absences without verification are considered truant.

*Please send in a note with the following information:*

*Date note is written  
Student First and Last Name  
Date(s) of absence  
Reason for absence  
Parent Signature*

If your child has been absent and you have not sent in a note, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you for your support going forward.

**LEARNING TOGETHER PROGRAM – PRE-KINDERGARTEN** : The Waverly Regional Early Childhood Center (RECC) preschool program will be accepting applications for classes for the 2017-2018 school year. These classes include children with and without disabilities. The program's focus is helping all children develop communication, literacy, math, problem solving, motor, and social skills. Parents of children who will be **3 by September 1 or 4 years of age by September 1** may pick up an application package in the school office beginning February 15, 2017. **All applications must be returned by Friday, March 31, 2017.** A limited number of openings are available for children without disabilities. Children are selected based upon screening information given on the application form and the "Ages and Stages Questionnaire," as well as observations of the child's participation in a playgroup. If necessary, a lottery process is conducted. If you have any questions, please contact Andrea Whitehead at [\(410\) 313-2819](tel:4103132819) or [andrea\\_whitehead@hcpss.org](mailto:andrea_whitehead@hcpss.org).

**SCOUTING FOR FOOD- MARCH 11:** Scouting for Food will be held on Saturday, March 11th. Cub Scouts from Pack 361 and Girl Scouts from Troop 3292 who attend CLES will be out in your neighborhood on that day to collect your donations which will go to one of 25 food pantries we serve in the county. A bag will be dropped off at your home a few days before. Please remember to put your donations by your front door or your mailbox by 9:00a.m. on March 11th. Thanks for your generous donations. For more information write to [scoutingforfoodnpd@verizon.net](mailto:scoutingforfoodnpd@verizon.net).

**COMMUNITY NEWS:** 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.

*\*Next PTA Newsletter will go out on Thursday 3/9/17  
Please email Amy Favinger [clesdolphinsplash@gmail.com](mailto:clesdolphinsplash@gmail.com) by Tuesday 3/7/17 with any newsletter submissions\**