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Centennial Lane Elementary School PTA <u>http://www.clespta.org</u> NOVEMBER 3, 2016

NOVEMBER:

- **11/4:** End of Marking Period
- 11/4: Spirit Wear Sale Ends
- **11/7:** Schools Closed for Students- Professional Work Day
- **11/8:** Schools and Offices Closed- Election Day- Please Vote!
- **11/10:** PTA Meeting 7pm CLES Media Center- All Welcome!
- **11/11:** Quarterly Celebrations for Grades K & 1 at 9:15am (invitations sent to selected students)

11/14-18: American Education Week (more info below)

- **11/14:** Quarterly Celebrations for Grades 2 &3 at 9:15am, Grades 4 & 5 at 2:15pm (invitations sent to selected students)
- **11/15:** Report Cards Issued
- 11/16: PTA Coffee and Conversation- CLES Media Center
- **11/16:** Thanksgiving Baskets 6:30 8pm CLES Cafeteria ***NEW DATE***
- 11/17: Centennial Lane Streetscape Meeting- BMMS Cafeteria 6:30-8:30PM

11/17: Fall Picture Make-Ups

- **11/21:** Parent/Teacher Conferences- 3 hour early closing
- **11/22:** Parent/Teacher Conferences- 3 hour early closing
- **11/23:** Parent/Teacher Conferences- Schools Closed
- **11/24-25:** Schools Closed- Thanksgiving Holiday

DECEMBER:

12/8: PTA Meeting- 7PM CLES Media Ctr- All Welcome

JANUARY:

1/18: Family Fit Night (details to follow)

FEBRUARY:

2/23: World Showcase (details to follow)

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

UPCOMING PTA EVENT DETAILS and INFO:

<u>CLES SPIRIT WEAR SALE:</u> DON'T WAIT! The sale ends Friday, November 4th! Please take a moment to check out the samples in the front office. We have 5 great shirts to offer this year including 2 different colored hoodies, a dri-fit short sleeved shirt, a tie dye shirt and a red shirt (which is just the perfect thing for your child to wear on Spring Fair Fridays)! They make great gift items for the holidays and will be delivered prior to winter break. Please check the box on the form if you want to surprise your student(s). Great for parents, grandparents and siblings, too! Wouldn't they make great gifts for your students? Please make checks payable to CLES-PTA. If sending cash please include the exact amount. We have an online store option again this year check it out at : <u>https://cles2016.itemorder.com</u> Please contact Wendy Allen at <u>wendylallen@verizon.net</u> or Lauren Lieberman at <u>Llieberman21@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions!!!

<u>AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK</u>: November 14-18-- Parents are welcome to visit any day of the week. To accommodate the parking needs and student activities, we have suggested the following days as designated visitation days for the teams.

Tuesday, 11/15- Grade 2 & Grades 5 Wednesday, 11/16- Kindergarten & Grade 3 Friday, 11/18- Grade 1 & Grade 4

Please sign in and out in the front lobby and wear a visitor's badge at all times while visiting CLES. There will be "Notes for the Teacher" available if you would like to share with your child's teacher something you enjoyed during your visit

PTA COFFEE AND CONVERSATION AT CLES: 11/16/16- Media Center 9:00am-10:00am--Are you new to the school? Is your youngest *finally* in kindergarten? Do you want to volunteer but are not sure where to start? Please join some PTA members for some coffee and conversation to find out about our amazing volunteer opportunities. We will be meeting Wednesday November 16th at 9:00am in the school library. This a great time to meet your PTA representatives to see what we do and how it gets done. The Spring Fair is our big fundraising event that is held in May. We need many volunteers for this terrific event. There will be specific volunteer opportunities available, some requiring as little as one hour of your time. Every little bit helps! This meeting will take place during American Education Week, so plan on stopping by the library for some coffee and refreshments, while you are already at the school! Questions? Contact Elizabeth Graff at <u>elizabeth.h.graff@gmail.com</u>

<u>GOBBLE GOBBLE GIVE! THANKSGIVING BASKETS</u>: Wednesday, November 16

Each grade will be assigned a food item (list following) to contribute to the Thanksgiving baskets, which will be going to those in need in our community to help celebrate Thanksgiving. Bring the food item(s) and join us on Wednesday November 16 to help assemble the baskets. Children will also have an opportunity to share what they're thankful for on the Thankful Tree as well as make cards to add to the baskets and to give to their teachers. This is a great opportunity to get involved as a family and work along side other CLES families! If you'd like to contribute but cannot attend Gobble Gobble Give, we will also be collecting items that week (the 14th-16th) leading up to the event. Look for the boxes in the front lobby! Thank you for helping to make this event a success!

Kindergarten - Canned Green Beans & Corn 1st - Stuffing and Gravy 2nd - Cranberry & apple sauce 3rd - Pie Crust (box mix) & Canned pie filling 4th - Boxed Muffin & Bread Mix 5th - Instant Potatoes & sweet Potatoes (canned)

Please feel free to contact Renae Kurc (<u>rdkurc@yahoo.com</u>) or Jen Kim (<u>jenandgeoffkim@gmail.com</u>) with any questions.

<u>THE 2016 REFLECTIONS PROGRAM</u>: Choreograph a dance, produce a film, write a poem or story, compose a song, take a picture or create a piece of visual art and tell us your interpretation of the theme: "What is your story?". The 2016 Reflections program information is now up on the CLES website <u>http://www.clespta.org</u>. For those who are not familiar with the program, it is nationwide Arts recognition and achievement program. The deadline is **Nov 18th**, **2016**. We look forward to seeing lots of masterpieces. Please contact Solat (solatz@yahoo.com), Elizabeth (<u>elizabethhgraff@gmail.com</u>)or Geetha (<u>gbragaspathy@gmail.com</u>) if you have any questions.

YEARBOOK PHOTOS: DO YOU HAVE ANY PHOTOS FROM THE HALLOWEEN

PARADE? The yearbook committee will be accepting photo submissions through early spring. Please submit photos/questions to: <u>yearbook.cles@gmail.com</u> 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.

PUBLIC MEETING - CENTENNIAL LANE STREETSCAPE PROJECT: 11/17 6:30PM

--Howard County's Department of Public Works will hold a follow up public meeting on Thursday, November 17th, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, in the Cafeteria Room at Burleigh Manor Middle School, 4200 Centennial Lane in Ellicott City, to present Alternative 1a with shoulder remains open along southbound Centennial Lane near the Centennial Lane Elementary School.

<u>CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL'S TURKEY TROT</u>: Support the Centennial High School Boosters at the Annual Turkey Trot 5K Run/Walk and 1K Kids Run on Sunday **November 13, 2016 at 9a.m**. Walk or Run Howard County's Premiere Cross Country course at Centennial High School. Medals & prizes for overall male/female 5K finishers, youngest & oldest male/female 5K finishers, top 3 male/female 5K finishers in the age categories of Student (18U), Open (19-39), & Masters (40+). Special prizes for all 1K Kids Run finishers. Timing by Bullseye Running. Please no dogs, strollers or baby joggers on the cross country course or track.

Special low rate of \$15 for Students (18 years and younger) if you register by Nov 11. Register at: <u>www.centennialboostersonline.com</u>]

For more information on the Turkey Trot please contact Jackie Crispell at <u>jcrispell@verizon.net</u>. Hope to see you on Sunday November 13th at the Turkey Trot!! **<u>COMMUNITY NEWS</u>**: 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 11/18. Please email Amy Favinger <u>clesdolphinsplash@gmail.com</u> by Tuesday 11/16 with any newsletter submissions