

Hampton Parent Bulletin

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School Calendar

February

- Capacity ReliefBoundary Study,6:30 PMGreenwood Bldg. E
- 17 Presidents' Day— Schools are OPEN
- 18 PTA Meeting, 7:00— 8:00 pm Library
- 20 Family Reading Night, 6:00-7:15 pm
- 26 Boundary Study Meeting, LRHS, 6:30 pm

March

13 Kindergarten Registration (by appt. only)

A Letter from the Principal...

Dear Parents and Guardians,

History was made in January since we did not have any snow days. Due to a snow day in December all schools will be open on February 17th for Presidents' Day. We hope to see everyone in school.

In most newsletters I note the activities that students enjoyed or attended. This month we are celebrating the 49 attendees at the January 23rd parent workshop entitled, Understanding and Managing Behaviors at Home. Our PTA President Megan Britt contacted Parent University to secure this workshop. Parents gained valuable information that included specifics about Conscious Discipline strategies that are used in school. A four-session follow-up workshop is being investigated. We will notify you when it is confirmed.

Our parents continued to support the BCPS emphasis on college and career readiness by volunteering to present information about their careers to students in grades 3-5. The range of careers was impressive. We thank all presenters who donated their time. Mrs. Dyer, our school counselor, coordinated this valuable annual event.

Our Geography Bee was resurrected by Mr. Wade. After winning classroom competitions, representatives from all fourth and fifth grade homerooms demonstrated their geography skills in the school bee. Third, fourth, and fifth graders attended the bee and supported their friends. Congratulations to all who competed. We thank Mr. Wade for pronouncing the geographic sights correctly.

The BCPS Stakeholder Satisfaction Survey is available on the BCPS website: www.bcps.org. The survey is available in many languages. Please complete to give your feedback. Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

Vatricia M. Kaisir

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Office News...



Career Day was January 31st. Students in grades 2-5 were treated to presentations from a variety of parents and community members who took the time out of their busy schedule to talk to them about everything that their career entails. Special thanks to:

Ms. Garrison: Physical therapist

♦ Ms. Nee: Veterinarian

Mr. Wilson: Playground designerMs. Garner: Child psychologist

• Dr. Katsikides: Research scientist -Transport/Driverless Cars and Trucks

♦ Ms. Johnston: Child Psychologist

♦ Ms Heick-Rodola: Dance teacher/director

♦ Mr. Racosky: Aux. Police Officer

Ms. Hammond: Career Counselor/Business Owner AND Artist!

♦ Mr. Alvarez: Chair of Engineering Department at CCBCMD

♦ Ms. Jung: Pharmacist

♦ Mr. Lotz: Mechanical Engineer

Mr. Creitz: Project Manager/Engineer
Ms. Alston: Credit Business Owner



Friday, March 13, 2020

If you have a child who will be 5 yrs. old by September 1st, please stop by the office to pick up a registration packet and schedule an appointment.

Please help us spread the word and inform your neighbors too!

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GEOBEE

Fifth Grader Wins Hampton's GeoBee!!

On Friday, January 31, 2020 sixteen fourth and fifth graders competed in Hampton Elementary School's GeoBee. All fourth and fifth grade students competed in preliminary GeoBee rounds. The winners competed on stage in front of their classmates, parents, and third grade classes. After completing two final rounds the field of 16 was whittled down to two, Kaylee A. and Patrick M. went head-to-head in the championship round. The two answered several questions ending in a tie. In the tie breaker, Kaylee prevailed as Hampton's 2020 GeoBee champion. Kaylee will take an online test that may qualify her to compete at the state level. Patrick M. took second place in the GeoBee and Cara D. was third. The field of sixteen final round competitors included

Zane K. and Henry I. from Mrs. Barboza/Ms. Lang's class Patrick M. and Sean C. from Mrs. Williams's class, Penny W. and Cara D. from Mr. Carp's class, Kaylee A, and Carly C. from Mr. Willmore's class, Jacob F. and Saanvi R. from Ms. Martin's class, Sara S. and Chris N. from Ms. Patek's class, Sadie L. and Hudson K. from Mrs. Vitek's class, and Ryan S. and Marcel S. from Mr. Wade's class

We congratulate all these winners and all fourth and fifth grade students who participated!



Hampton has instituted Word of the Week to improve vocabulary. Our words last month were: Courage; extreme; individual and harmony. Please acknowledge your child when he/she uses one of these words.



As stated in our parent handbook and according to BCPS guidelines, no dogs are allowed on the school campus at the beginning of school, during school, or during dismissal. This is for the safety of our children and animals. Thank you for adhering to this rule no matter the size of the dog. Volume 19, Issue 5 Page 4

Physical Education News

- Melissa Cavender, P.E. Teacher



Reminder—It's not too late to register!

Grades 3-5

It's time for the Kids Heart Challenge (formerly known as Jump Rope for Heart)! By participating in this program, your child will raise funds to help kids with special hearts and make all communities healthier. They'll also learn about taking care of their hearts and participate in cardio-pumping challenges. Plus, your school can earn money for PE equipment and your child can earn fun thank-you gifts! Supporting the Kids Heart Challenge is easier than ever. You can set up your child's own personal fundraising page, send emails and collect donations through their site. If you do receive checks, you can use the app to scan them and have the amount immediately added to your child's total.

Steps to get started:

- 1. Download our app or visit heart.org/KidsHeartChallenge to register.
- 2. Ask your child to select a personal health challenge: be kind, move more or be ready.
- 3. Set a fundraising goal with your child and send emails to invite friends and family to sup-