

Herndon Middle School and PTA Newsletter

Mark your Calendar

December 3rd

2nd High School Boundary
Study meeting, 7:30 pm,
Westfield High School

December 3rd to 7th

SCA Holiday Drive

December 6th to 8th

Band Fundraiser
Barnes & Noble, Reston

December 7th

Interims go home

December 10th – 14th

Book Fair, Library
Dec. 11th open before & after
concert until 8:30

December 11th

Band Concert, Auditorium, 7pm
(Snow date Dec. 12th)

December 18th

Chorus Concert, Auditorium,
7pm (Snow date Dec. 19th)

December 19th

Orchestra Concert, Herndon
High School Auditorium, 7pm
(Snow date Dec. 20th)

December 19th

3rd High School Boundary
Study meeting, 7:30 pm,
Oakton High School

December 24th to January 1st

Winter Break
No school

January 2nd

School reopens
PTA Meeting, 7 pm, Library

January 16th and 17th

Drama Production, Auditorium,
7pm (Snow date Jan. 23rd)

January 21st

Martin Luther King holiday
No school

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Principal's Corner

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I would like to thank all of the parents who attended Touching Bases in November. This activity was designed to give parents an opportunity to communicate with their children's teachers. Our faculty is dedicated to making a difference with all students at Herndon Middle School. Teachers have settled in and are enriching the students with their creativity, enthusiasm and ability to relate to the individual needs of the students.

As the holiday season approaches, I invite you to reflect on the diversity of customs and celebrations which exist within the school and larger community. It is important that our students learn to accept differences as a welcome variety in life. We want our students not only to honor their own traditions but to celebrate diversity.

Our students continue to be a source of great pride and joy. As I visit classrooms, I am greatly impressed with the level of student involvement and commitment to learning. When I reviewed our grade distribution, I was pleased to see the high level of academic success in our building. I am also impressed with the character of our student body. You have sent us wonderful children who have a true sense of respect, responsibility, honesty, and integrity. It shows in their daily interactions, both with peers and adults, in the way they treat others and conduct themselves throughout the day. This is why I believe that each student can learn and grow into adulthood as a productive citizen.

Students must be reminded periodically that they have to pass all four core subjects (mathematics, English, science, and social studies) this year to be promoted to the next grade level. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's academic achievement, please contact his or her counselor to set up a conference with the teachers.

As always we solicit your continued support and ask that you review and be apprised of the dates listed in this newsletter. I would also like to let you know that the SOL window has been moved back to coincide with the end of the school year. We will provide you with our dates for the Standard of Learning assessments in the spring. This year, all mathematics, history, science 8, and reading SOLs will be taken on line.

Your child's success depends on your involvement in our school. I encourage you to stay involved and, as we continue to develop future leaders, call us if we can be of any assistance. Working together, we can make a difference for all our children. I encourage you to stay involved as we continue to "Build Futures Together."

Best wishes for a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,
Frank G. Jenkins, Ed.D.

2007-2008 PTA Officers:

Nancy DerSimonian - President
 Kerri Gilmore Mesiah - Vice President
 Carol Sinclair - Secretary
 Diana Fields - Treasurer

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Your liaisons communicate with you via email and keep you informed of upcoming events pertaining to your grade level. See newsletter articles for more info.

Your PTA Needs You!

The PTA is responsible for organizing and running many programs that all of our children benefit from throughout the year. Please get involved with your child's education!

In December, we need parents to work at the Book Fair. We are also in need of a minority parent liaison (attend Cluster meetings), a Spirit Night chairperson (organize an evening at a participating area restaurant which allows HMS to receive a portion of the proceeds generated), an Orchestra liaison, and a Greater Herndon Community Coalition Liaison (attend monthly meetings). If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact Amy Peterson at (703) 430-3968 or Hjr_ab_peterson@hotmail.com

From Your PTA President

Dear HMS Families,

Thank you to all who have joined the PTA! We appreciate your support. The PTA has been extremely busy these past few months and the events and activities that have been held here at HMS could not have taken place without the help and support of so many wonderful parents, and even some grandparents, as well as HMS faculty and staff. There are ample committees and ways to get involved, and I am sure that at least one will interest you. Please consider volunteering in any way you can. You will find it very rewarding, as well as fun. Read on to see what the PTA's been up to just this past month here at HMS.

There was great excitement on October 19th from students and staff alike as HMS held a Career Fair for the eighth grade students. This event was a huge success as students received insight to many professions and gained experience "interviewing" area professionals about their line of work. There were accountants, computer specialists, health care professionals, lawyers, a meteorologist, a realtor, and a pilot, just to name a few. Donna Patchett did a tremendous job chairing this event and worked closely with and received great support from the Guidance Department and Civics teachers. They worked hard to ensure that the event was meaningful and memorable for the students.

Another event sponsored by the PTA was the Reflections program and many thanks go to PTA member Carmen Middleton, the Reflections Chairperson, for making it a success. Students were challenged to create artwork that related to this year's Reflections theme "I can make a difference by..."

The PTA Hospitality Committee hosted several functions this past month. One was a breakfast in honor of the bus drivers, the second function was a luncheon for the Career Fair professionals, and a third was breakfast for the HMS staff the morning of Touching Bases. Speaking of Touching Bases, PTA members worked hard managing the time to allow all parents an opportunity to meet with their child's teachers. A big thank you goes out to Beth Bednarek, Sue Altschuler, Cindy Rush, and the entire Touching Bases committee. The morning went very smoothly with their assistance.

The PTA also provided speakers for the November 7th meeting to discuss the topic of bullying.

Looking ahead, please mark your calendars for the upcoming HMS Book Fair to be held December 10th to 14th in the library. Please support this important fundraiser for the school. Please also note that the next PTA meeting will be held on **January 2nd, 2008!** We hope to see many of you then! In the meantime, feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have.

I wish you all a wonderful holiday season and a happy and healthy new year.

Nancy DerSimonian
 HMS PTA President
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SCA News

The SCA is now armed with officers for the 2007-2008 school year. After an exciting campaign, we have officially inducted the new officers and representatives. The new officers are:

- President:** Aaron Meland
- Vice President:** Joey Bartlam
- Secretary:** Elena Currence
- Treasurer:** Katie Hinders
- Sgt. at Arms:** Dillon J. Celinski

This year's campaign was a competitive one with many students running with much to offer HMS. We commend all of the students! We have many exciting activities coming up! Our meetings will be held twice a month on alternating Mondays and Wednesdays. We will be celebrating our traditional Spirit Days every last Friday of the month. Upcoming Spirit Days will be announced and posters will be up at least two weeks in advance. We will be busy planning for the Adopt-a-Family Holiday Drive, the Talent Show, the Langston Hughes vs. Herndon Middle School faculty and student basketball games and the 8th Grade Dance. We hope to also design and sell new HMS T-shirts at the Basketball game.

Please email Ms. Racines at Delia.Racines@fcps.edu if you are interested in helping with any of these events. We are all looking forward to another successful year with the SCA.

Holiday Drive

The SCA is preparing for this year's Adopt-a-Family Holiday Drive for the 2007-2008 school year. The SCA will be donating gifts to the Reston Interfaith organization. Reston Interfaith has allowed the SCA to "adopt" two children from a local Reston family. With the help of the staff and students of HMS, we will provide gifts from the family's wish list to each child. The Holiday Drive will take place December 3rd to December 7th during all lunches.

Program of the Year Award

Two Herndon Middle School technology education teachers were honored at the Virginia Technology Education Association (VTEA) summer conference held this past August. Mr. James Gralton and Mr. Jim Bullock (who retired at the end of the school year) received the Program of the Year Award for Virginia in recognition of the continued excellence of their program here at HMS. Tech Ed is a popular elective enjoyed by all the students who select it. The teachers work diligently to bring current innovations reflective of 21st century technology education into the classroom. Congratulations to Mr. Gralton and Mr. Bullock for this prestigious award!

HMS Holds Career Fair

Herndon Middle School held an 8th Grade Career Fair on Friday, October 19th. Approximately thirty career representatives were on hand to answer students' questions about their careers. The participants included a wide range of professionals from such diverse fields as accounting, engineering, nursing, information technology, and more. Creative visual displays, hand-outs and give-aways lent a festive air to the event, which was attended by over 500 eighth grade students. "This is a tremendous opportunity for our 8th graders to learn about the world of work. I love the interaction between the students and the community. I hope that we can continue this event every year," said Herndon Middle School Lead Counselor, Joe Truncale.



December / January Calendar continued

January 22nd
Drama production, Auditorium, 7pm
(Snow date Jan. 23rd)

January 24th
2nd Quarter ends

January 25th & 28th
Teacher Work Days
Student holidays

January 30th
Rising 7th grade Parent Orientation,
Auditorium, 7pm (Snow date Jan. 31st)

January 31st
Rising 9th grade Parent Orientation,
Herndon High School, time TBA

February 4th
Report cards mailed

Fairfax County Middle School Business Teacher of the Year

Mr. Tom Passino was honored as the 2006-2007 Fairfax County Middle School Teacher of the Year at the Business Education Teacher's Association (BETA) Awards Banquet last spring. This well-deserved award represents Mr. Passino's dedication to the education and development of every student he teaches. Mr. Passino also has continued to enhance his own education earning the prestigious certifications in IC³ – Certiport and Microsoft Office Specialist. Congratulations to Mr. Tom Passino for his outstanding accomplishments and recognition!

SOL Testing Dates

Please keep these dates in mind when scheduling future events. The spring SOL testing window is later this year.

Tentative Dates:
Writing – March 3rd to March 6th
Spring Testing Window – May 19th to June 13th

HMS Directory

The 2007-2008 HMS Directory is on sale in the front office for \$5.

**HMS Magazine Drive Rewards!
BMX Bike Show**

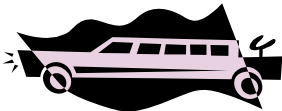
Over 160 students qualified for the special magazine drive BMX Bike Show. Professional BMX Bikers performed an array of bike stunts including numerous can-cans and nac-nacs, a handful of back flips and at least one totally cool tail whip!



Our BMX Bikers were very friendly and took a liking to Herndon Middle School and our students, staying afterward to sign autographs, talk with students and to remind them not to try these stunts themselves, as they take years to perfect and master. An extremely good time was had by all. Dr. Jenkins even joined in on the fun, allowing the bikers to jump over him as part of their show, leaving a lasting and memorable impression on everyone in attendance.

Limousine Ride

On Monday, December 11th, twenty nine



students will be rewarded for their efforts in our magazine drive fundraiser by traveling in a fancy limousine and dining out for lunch at a restaurant!

A huge thank you to all of the students and parents who helped make this magazine drive a great success! HMS could not do it without YOU! We do not have the final results yet, but it looks to be a record year.

Library Book Fair

This year's annual Book Fair will be held in the library from December 10th to December 14th. Help support your students' reading and the school library by allowing your child to purchase books at the fair. The school book fair is a great time for

students, teachers and parents to browse and buy some new books, old favorites, and study materials during school time. There will also be some gift selections. Free books will be given to at least one student in each English class.

Students will attend the Book Fair during their English classes, and will also be allowed to come to the library with a check or cash to purchase books until the 14th. There will be evening book fair hours on the night of the band concert, December 11th from 6:30 to 7:00 and after the concert until 8:30.

Our book supplier, Bookworm - a local company, is wonderful at filling orders if we run out of popular titles. Look for a link from the HMS web page with a list of titles available at the fair. Flyers will be sent home with students closer to the date of the fair.

Volunteers are needed to help with the book fair set up, clean up and sales. Please contact Elaine Vollaro at evoll@comcast.net or 703-668-0076 if you would like to volunteer. Thank you!

After-school Program at HMS

Students who participate in our after-school program are required to spend one day per week working on academics after school with one of their core teachers or in an academic/community service club. Every student participating in the after-school program should fill out a registration form and return it to their club sponsor. If you have any questions or concerns about the after-school program, please contact Michael Thomas, the after-school program specialist at Herndon Middle School, at Charles.thomas@fcps.edu or 703-904-4834. The current after-school programs include:

Basketball League - Monday and every other Thursday, main gym

Soccer League - Wednesday and every other Thursday, main gym

Hip-Hop Dance Club - Monday, Dance Room

Step-Team - Wednesday, small gym

Weight Room - Monday and Wednesday, weight room, **students must sign up during lunch to participate

Anime Club - Monday, Ms. Kmetz's room

Ping-Pong Club - Thursday, Ms. Helm's room

Art Club - Monday, Mrs. Simanski's room

Volleyball Club - Wednesday, Dance Room

Peace Makers Club - Thursday, Mr. Grayson's room

ESOL Club - Monday, Mrs. Rossell's room

Bike Shop - Wednesday, Trailer #3

Herndon Community Center - Tuesday and Friday, parent pick-up by 6 pm

Check the HMS website, www.fcps.edu/HerndonMS, under "Activities" for the latest list of activities, days and locations of after-school activities.

Bike Donations Needed

The HMS Bike Shop, an after-school program on Wednesdays in Trailer #3, needs donations of used kid's bikes in good condition for our **Bikes for Kids for the Holidays** campaign. We want to make those bikes look like new and give them to some deserving kids over the holidays. To donate, please contact Mr. Dim at 703-904-4952.



FIRST Lego League

The HMS *FIRST* Lego League team competed in the *FIRST* Lego League regional competition on Saturday, November 17th. This is the first year that HMS has been involved in this league. The team did a great job in all four areas of competition and won first place in

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the area of Teamwork. Teamwork involved being presented with a new problem and having five minutes to solve it. The problem was to build a bridge using Legos over a space between two tables. Congratulations to the *FIRST* Lego League team: Nick Black, John Comtois, Paul Latimer, Megan Lavery, Maggie Middleton, Chip Moore, Alex Polk, Nathan Smith, and Szymon Tarnawa.

HMS Band News

Congratulations to the 76 member **Spirit of Herndon** Marching Band for earning the Second Place Performing Arts Trophy at the Herndon Homecoming Parade. At the football game, the Band performed "The Star Spangled Banner" and the HHS Fight Song on the field with the HHS Band. The students looked and played magnificently!



Winter Concert. Boost your Holiday Spirit with the Herndon Middle School Band Winter Concert. You won't want to miss any of the award-winning groups as they share their latest Holiday numbers. The concert is Tuesday, December 11th at 7 pm in the Middle School Auditorium. The snow date is December 12th. Jingle, Jingle!

Band Fundraiser. Beginning Thursday December 6th and continuing through Saturday December 8th, Herndon Middle School Band will hold its first "Barnes and Noble Book Fair Fundraiser". Any purchases (except gift cards and membership cards)

made at the **Reston Barnes & Noble** during these dates will help raise money for our Band. Selected students, along with Ms. Bonneau, will be performing on Friday evening from 7:00 to 7:45 pm on stage in the rear of the store.

Start your holiday shopping at Barnes & Noble or just buy yourself something nice. By presenting the voucher below to the cashier at the checkout your shopping trip will benefit the Band students at Herndon Middle school. If you forget your voucher, just ask the cashier to credit your purchase to the Herndon Middle School Band.

**Barnes & Noble
Bookfair Voucher
Supporting**

Herndon Middle School Band

December 6th - 8th, 2007

Barnes & Noble
1851 Fountain Drive
Reston, VA 20190


Simply present this voucher at
the cash register at the time of purchase.
A percentage of the net sale
will be donated to your organization.*

OFFICE USE ONLY

Register #: _____ Transaction #: _____

Amount of sale before tax less purchase
of Gift Cards, Membership Cards,
and Cafe consumables.
\$ _____

* THE FOLLOWING TRANSACTIONS ARE NOT INCLUDED IN BOOKFAIR TOTALS: THE PURCHASE OF GIFT CARDS, MEMBERSHIP CARDS, AND CAFE CONSUMABLES. NON-PROFIT AND BUSINESS ACCOUNT DISCOUNTS MAY NOT BE APPLIED TO BOOKFAIR PURCHASES.



Chorus Notes

Hear the sweet voices of the HMS Choruses ring out at their Winter Concert Tuesday, December 18th at 7:00 pm in the HMS School Auditorium (snow date December 19th).

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We would like to welcome our new Choral Director, Regina McCann. Ms. McCann comes to FCPS from New York City where she sang professionally and taught with the Metropolitan Opera Guild. She was recently named Resident Vocal Coach for the Boys' and Girls' Choirs of St. Luke's Episcopal Church on K Street in Washington, DC. Regina is thrilled to be working with your students and looks forward to growing the program exponentially at HMS!

Congratulations are in order for the following choristers: Cameron Copeland, Colin Curtis, Timmy Eisnaugle, Carson Etienne, Paul Morgan, Zach Pearlstein, Brian Talbert, and Prithvi Vijayanand who attended the FCPS Annual Men's Choir Workshop at GMU on October 22nd. After a fun and intensive day of rehearsals, over 300 choristers joined voices in a spectacular concert finale. Send your chorister next year!

Orchestra News

The Music Department closes the Winter Concert season with the Strings of the HMS Orchestra. They will present their Holiday Concert on Wednesday, December 19th at 7 pm in the Herndon High School Auditorium. The snow date is December 20th.

Three of our Advanced Orchestra students will be representing Herndon Middle School in the Junior District Orchestra event in January. Congratulations to Nicholas Black, viola; Patrick Smith, viola; and Nathan Smith, cello.

Speaker at PTA Meeting

At the January PTA meeting, Sheri Ruffle, the HMS librarian, will speak on Library and Internet resources. Come and learn about the extensive resources available to students and how to access them from your home.

High School Boundary Study

It is not too late to join the Herndon community members and advocate for Herndon High School in the current Western County High School Boundary Study. The first meeting was November 12th, at Chantilly High School. There was a tremendous showing of Herndon parents and community dressed in red, with stickers which read, "Herndon High School: A Successful Balanced Community"! We had several hundred parents in attendance and are so proud of the representation of our community at this first meeting!

The first meeting was the "Community Input meeting" where all attendees were broken into small groups to voice all of their concerns to two questions:

- 1) What should be considered in developing the boundary plans and how would you prioritize these considerations?
- 2) What areas should be considered for reassignment?

The facilitators for the small group sessions put all the ideas on flipchart paper, which will be available on the Fairfax County Public Schools' website soon.

The dates for the remaining "Town Hall Style" Community Meetings are:

Monday, December 3rd, 2007
7:30pm at Westfield High School

Wednesday, December 19th, 2007
7:30pm at Oakton High School

It is very important that we continue to be represented by many people at the next two meetings. Each Boundary meeting is unique and builds upon the previous one to develop different scenarios for redistricting. These meetings are NOT duplicate meetings – they will have different agendas.

At these two meetings, FCPS

facilities staff will present different scenarios of redistricting certain schools and neighborhoods. The community will then break into small focus groups to discuss the pros/cons of these scenarios. **It is imperative that we have maximum participation and attendance to have our views heard.**

Even if you could not attend the first meeting, we still need you on December 3rd and 19th to advocate for the Herndon High School community! There will be a bus leaving from Herndon High School at 6:30 pm for both of these meetings. The bus is an excellent way to build community spirit and avoid all the traffic congestion! If you are interested in riding the bus, please send an email to HerndonPTSA@aol.com.

Please stay tuned with updated information on the Herndon High School Web site Boundary Committee page:

http://www.fcps.edu/HerndonHS/pts_a/ptsa_act/0708BoundaryChanges/BoundaryChangeCommittee.htm

Also, look for more information from Fairfax County Public Schools on their website:

http://www.fcps.edu/fts/planning/wes_tcboundary/index.htm

STAY INVOLVED!!

"It's All About Me"

Beverly Parker-Lewis and Tracy Hunsberger, School Psychologists, and Theresa Cooke, Counselor, have been awarded a mini-grant from the FEA (Fairfax Education Association) for their project entitled "It's All About Me." Selected middle school girls will participate in an after-school program designed to foster academic improvement through activities which strengthen self-esteem, self-awareness, and build communication skills. The girls will engage in ongoing activities including journaling and reading selected articles as well as activities

associated with monthly themes. Every month has a different focus which varies from learning about health, nutrition and fitness to preparing for high school and beyond. In the end, we hope the girls learn more about themselves and increase their level of self-awareness in order to help them be successful in their future endeavors.

College Partnership Program

The Herndon Middle School College Partnership Program will host the College Partnership Program's Spirit Day on Thursday, December 6, 2007 in the Herndon Middle School auditorium from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm. The guest speakers will be Lynda Boyke, the Career Specialist at Herndon High School, and Joyce Pendleton, a former Herndon High School Counselor. The parents of the College Partnership students are invited to attend this event. Please call Mrs. Cooke at 703-904-4867 if you plan to attend.

The remainder of the schedule is:

December 17 - Organizational and Learning Styles Activities

January 14 - Note Taking and Test Taking Skills Activities

February 25 - College Trip Preparation

March 10 - College Trip (NOVA Medical Campus, Springfield, VA)

April 28 - Self Esteem / Self Assessment Activities

May 28 - Writing Skills Activity/ Student Evaluation

June 9 - End of Year Activity

Student Gabriela Posada a Keynote Speaker

I want to tell the Herndon Middle School Community about one of its special students. Her name is Gabriela Posada and she was the keynote speaker at a special day of prayer on October 1, 2007 at the Community Mobilization Initiative for the CMI World Vision Foundation in Washington D.C. Gabby went to the prayer meeting to talk about her life

experiences and to speak about how this organization had changed her life. Gabby wants to make an impact on the world around her and she feels she can accomplish this by volunteering her time with a worthy organization that is dedicated to making change happen.

In the near future Gabby has been invited to speak at another CMI World Vision event in Oakland California. I will leave you with a direct quote from Gabby "I have school as my main priority but I also have World Vision and soccer too. I'm dedicated to what I am doing. I'm not going to let any obstacles get in my way." All I have to say is "GO GIRL!" I am so proud of Gabby and what she has accomplished this year. Gabby is a member of the College Partnership Program and the Delta Academy.

Theresa Cooke

Notes from the HMS Clinic

Virginia Wilkinson, MSN, RN, NCSN
School Public Health Nurse
Mercy Caloyannides,
Clinic Room Aide



Greetings from the clinic. The timing of this newsletter is good to remind you to wash your hands. Flu season is right around the corner and it is time to review with your students good hand washing practices.

It is getting colder out and we are staying inside more. This is the season when germs are active in schools and communities. Research has shown that hand washing is the single most effective measure for preventing the spread of infection and disease. But it has also shown us that people don't wash their hands.

Please reinforce with your students the need to wash their hands—a lot!—to help prevent the spread of disease.

- + Use warm water and soap.
- + Rub and scrub for 20-30 seconds (sing a simple song like the Alphabet Song to judge 20 seconds).
- + Scrub palms, backs of hands, between fingers and under fingernails.
- + Rinse well and dry hands with a paper towel.
- + Turn the water off with the paper towel then toss it.

PLEASE keep your child home when he/she is sick. Sick children cannot learn well because they are too busy focusing on being sick. They are also little germ factories and share them with everyone that they come in contact with—in classrooms and on the bus. When you call your child in sick, please tell us why your child is sick, especially if they have symptoms of nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or other communicable diseases such as Chicken Pox.

I would also like to give you some information about **MRSA**, which has been in the news of late. MRSA stands for *Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus*. This type of bacteria causes "staph" infections that are resistant to treatment with usual antibiotics. These antibiotics include methicillin and other more common antibiotics such as oxacillin, penicillin and amoxicillin.

These infections generally occur in people who have been hospitalized recently. However, MRSA can also infect people **in the community at large**. Such infections known as CA-MRSA (Community acquired) infections are generally mild and affect the skin with pimples or boils that can be swollen, painful and drain pus. These skin infections often occur in otherwise healthy people.

In the outbreaks of MRSA, the environment has **not** played a significant role in the transmission of MRSA. It is transmitted most

frequently by direct skin-to-skin contact. The **best** way to prevent any infection is to practice good hygiene:

1. Keep your hands clean by washing thoroughly with soap and water or using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
2. Keep cuts and scrapes clean and covered with a bandage until healed.
3. Avoid contact with other people's wounds or bandages.
4. Avoid sharing personal items such as towels or razors.

If you believe that you have an infection, the first thing you should do is to see your healthcare provider. Most staph and MRSA infections are treatable with antibiotics. If you are given an antibiotic, take all of the doses, even if the infection is getting better, unless your doctor tells you to stop taking it. Do not share antibiotics with other people or save unfinished antibiotics to use at another time.

For further information, you can check out the following web page: http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/ar_mrsa_ca_public.html or www.fcps.edu for a brief fact sheet.

If you have any questions, you can reach Virginia at 703-481-4072. Mercy is available at 703-904-4810. Together we can beat the bugs!

GRACE Artist visits Art Club

As part of the exhibition *FLOW: The Landscape of Migration*, Greater Reston Arts Center (GRACE) arranged a visit from the exhibition artist Foon Sham to the HMS Art Club.

The artist, also a University of Maryland Professor, showed the group a video of art work which were all done with repetitive wooden units which demonstrated the power of repetition in art. After the video the students had a hands-on experience using repetitive units in

sculpture by working with popsicle sticks and glue guns to create a sculpture. What a wonderful experience to have a professional artist in our class room!

We hope this is the beginning of a good relationship with GRACE and its artists. It is a valuable resource to the school and community.

NJHS Food Drive a Success

Congratulations to all the students at Herndon Middle School who contributed to the Can Food Drive sponsored by the National Junior Honor Society. 2,494 cans were collected from November 7th through November 14th. All cans were donated to LINK, a local organization that helps the needy.

The NJHS will award a pizza party to the Eagles team which collected the most, 532 cans. The number of cans collected by each team is as follows:

Raptors	426 cans
Roadrunners	126 cans
Thunderbirds	173 cans
Kestrels	394 cans
Falcons	384 cans
Pelicans	459 cans

Thanks to everyone who participated.

Turkey Dinner Raffle

Congratulations to our 2nd Annual Turkey Dinner Raffle winners - Manuel Alvarado and David Medrano. Each student received a complete pre-cooked Turkey Dinner. The Raffle was sponsored by the ESOL Department Teachers and Giant.

Promising Young Writer's Competition

Please make note of the Promising Young Writer's Competition through the National Council of Teachers of English. Preliminary school judging will occur in January and six 8th grade students will have their work submitted to the state and, we hope, the national judging panel, to be awarded a top prize for student writing.

Attendance Policy

With the upcoming holidays, we would like to remind everyone of the attendance policy at HMS. If you know your student will be absent, please make sure you prearrange your child's absence in writing. You should send in a note to the appropriate grade-level office prior to the trip stating the days your child will be absent and the reason.

Excused Absence

Absences during prescribed hours shall be considered excused absences for the following reasons: illness of the student, death in the family, medical or dental appointment, observance of a religious holiday, or any reasons for which the principal considers that exemption from attendance is in the best interest of the student. (FCPS Policy 2232.2)

Unexcused Absences

Reasons for unexcused absences may include family and/or student vacations, child care situations, non school-related activities, missed school bus, or other reasons unacceptable to the principal.

After the fifth unexcused absence, the school will refer the student to the attendance officer, who will contact the parent. If the student is absent an additional day after contact with the parent, a conference will be scheduled. If a further unexcused absence occurs, the attendance officer will file a complaint with the Juvenile and

Domestic Relations Court or initiate proceedings against the parent.

Inclement Weather/Emergency Closing Plans

Due to inclement weather or other emergency situations, it may be necessary to close schools for the entire day, to open schools late, or to close early.



Parents are urged to make arrangements now for the care of their children when schedule changes are made. Children should know where to go if a parent will not be home.

Decisions on schedule changes are made after careful study of the best information available from many sources including weather services, the highway department, the police, and FCPS transportation staff members who are out checking the roads. While no sources dealing with weather predictions can be infallible, decisions are made with one overriding consideration - the safety of the students who ride buses or walk to school each day.

FCPS has several schedules set up to deal with inclement weather; these are put into effect when conditions threaten the safety of children who are walking or riding school buses to schools. These schedules are:

- 1) **Keep schools closed**
- 2) **Open two hours late**
- 3) **Close two hours early**

In every case of a schedule change, you can:

- Tune in to cable TV channel 21.
- Check www.fcps.edu.
- Call the Fairfax County Public Schools hot line at (800) 839-3277. **Tip:** Program this number into your phone's speed dial.

- To receive this information via e-mail, sign up for "Keep in Touch" on the above website.
- Local TV or radio news will also carry this news.
- Do **not** phone the school or one of the TV stations for this information.

The decision to close or open late will be made by 5:30 am. For more information, go to <http://www.fcps.edu/news/weather.htm>

Battle of the Books



No - the books do not fight nor are they used as weapons!! Teams will be selected from the academic teams in one or more of the categories listed on the book list. Students are encouraged to read all of the books in one category to prepare for a quiz that will be given in January. Practices will then be arranged to prepare for a competition among all the academic teams. The books on the Battle of the Books list would be great gifts for your child at this holiday time of year!

**Battle of the Books List
Picture/Easy**

- Casey at the Bat*, Taylor
- Lon Po Po*, Young
- Make Way for Ducklings*, McCloskey
- Stinky Cheese Man and Other Stories*, Jon Scieszka
- Why Mosquitoes Buzz in Peoples Ears*, Aardema

Chapter Books

- James and the Giant Peach*, Roald Dahl
- Hatchet*, Paulsen
- The Cay*, Taylor
- Breadwinner*, Ellis
- No More Dead Dogs*, Korman

Middle

- Nevermind*, Avi
- Code Talker*, Bruchac

- Lightening Thief*, Riordan
- Outsiders*, Hinton
- Stanford Wong Flunks Big Time*, Yee

Advanced

- And Then There Were None*, Christie
- Call of the Wild*, London
- Hound of the Baskervilles*, Doyle
- The Hobbit*, Tolkien
- Cuba 15*, Osa

Non-Fiction

- We Beat the Streets*, The Three Doctors
- Farewell to Manzanar*, Houston
- Left for Dead*, Nelson
- Through My Eyes*, Ruby Bridges
- Shark Life*, Benchley

Books Needed

HMS needs middle school book donations from parents to supplement the classroom libraries for the Literacy Program. All age-appropriate fiction and non-fiction books are appreciated. Please realize that we have readers on all levels. **Donation of books from the Battle of the Books list would be greatly appreciated.**



Book Donation boxes have been placed in the Main Office or students can bring the books to their teachers. Thanks to all of you who have donated books, your generosity is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, you can contact Mrs. Lenore Waggoner at Lenore.Waggoner@fcps.edu.

Go Green

From the HMS FIRST Lego League team

- **Don't put books over the vents.** When you do this it affects the entire school and you are wasting valuable energy.



- **Don't leave the doors open.**

When you do this the A.C. or heat goes right out the door and you are wasting energy.



- **Recycle.**

By recycling you aren't polluting the earth.



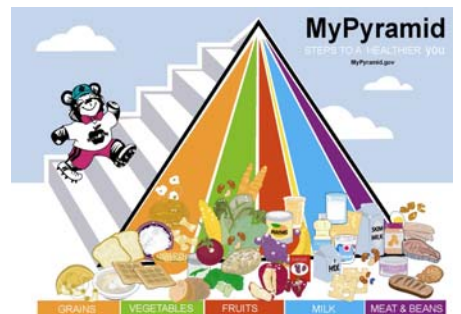
- **Use the entire sheet of paper.**

This way you are using less paper and killing fewer trees.

Healthy Tips for the Holidays

Choose a variety of foods from MyPyramid.

- Start the day with breakfast and energy to tackle all projects.
- Eat plenty of fruits and vegetables.
- Eat lighter meals at night.
- Remember to exercise 60 minutes per day.
- Eliminate night-time stress-related grazing.
- Go to bed feeling light not "full."
- Limit portion sizes of favorite holiday foods, especially desserts.
- Enjoy your feast, family, and friends.



It Is NEVER Too Late - Join the HMS PTA!!!

As we enter the 2nd quarter, we'd like to let you know that it is not too late to join the PTA--as a matter of fact, we're still counting on you to join the PTA! There is still 3/4 of the school year remaining - that's nearly 7 months of activities and PTA business! We still need your membership to show your support and to fund activities for Herndon Middle School students and their families!

So far over 300 HMS parents have joined the HMS PTA, but that is just one quarter of the school's population! Research has proven that children do better when their parents are involved at school. Grades and test scores are higher, children's self esteem grows, and schools improve. With your support we'll reach one of our goals of maximum parent representation. Langley High School had 100% participation last year. Do schools that reach 100% participation care more about their students? Of course not! **But by joining the HMS PTA, you're making a statement that your child's education and those of all HMS students, is a priority to you and your family.**

Joining the HMS PTA doesn't mean hours of committee meetings and volunteering (unless you'd like to volunteer for an event).

Don't put this paper aside without taking action on this important activity! Support HMS, HMS children, the HMS PTA and its activities and programs! The membership fee is \$10.00 for the year. Make your check payable to HMS PTA. Mail or bring the check in an envelope and send to HMS Main Office.

PTA Meetings are the first Wednesday of most months—7:00 p.m. in the HMS Library.

Lesley Aschenbach,
PTA Membership Chair,
Lesleyasch@prodigy.net
703-787-9159

Go for the Gold Update

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to our **only PTA Fundraiser, Go for the Gold.** We have raised \$4,900 of our goal of \$5,010, so we are very close! This program runs all year long, so it is never too late to contribute to this cash donation program.

8th Grade Parent Liaisons

Mark your calendar - January 31, 2008 for Herndon High School Rising 9th Grade Parent Night

The evening will begin with a presentation just for 8th grade parents. Following the presentation, there will be an opportunity to attend various workshops that are part of HHS Curriculum Night for all parents that same evening. Further details and the time of these programs will be announced at a later date and will be emailed to parents included in the 8th grade parent database. Be sure to attend this important program!

To receive information on the above program, as well as other important 8th grade information, be sure you are included in the 8th grade parent database. If you are not on the distribution list already, send your email address to AMR9000@aol.com.

Ann Marie Ruskin and
Lesley Aschenbach
HMS PTA 8th Grade Parent Liaisons

Join the HMS PTA today

Complete this form and return it with your check made payable to HMS PTA. Mail to: 901 Locust Street; Herndon, Virginia 20170; or send it with your child to the main office in an envelope marked HMS PTA Membership.

Names _____ **Student Name** _____

Grade _____ **Team** _____ **Parent Email** _____

Phone Number _____ **\$10 per person x No. of persons** _____ = \$ _____

Go for the Gold Donation = \$ _____

Total Donation/Membership = \$ _____

7th Grade Parent Liaisons

On behalf of the Herndon Middle School PTA, we have compiled a database of 7th grade parents to communicate with parents on matters of importance to the 7th grade during the 2007-2008 school year. We hope those of you who are already on the email distribution list have found the email messages sent out to be informative and helpful.

If you are not already on our 7th grade parent database, we would like to include your email address. Please send an email message to bblystone@cox.net to list your email address with us. You may include multiple email addresses (work, home, etc.) However, please notify us of any email address changes and updates.

Any questions, please feel free to contact the email address listed above.

*Kathy Blystone and Karen Temple
HMS PTA 7th Grade Parent Liaisons*

Hospitality

The Hospitality Committee has had a very busy fall and we want to say "Thank you!"

On October 12th, we showed our dedicated, hard working HMS bus drivers how much they are appreciated by treating them to a breakfast buffet in the library. We hope they enjoyed taking a much deserved break! Thanks to all who contributed food and/or their time to this annual event.

Next, our wonderful teachers were served a "breakfast-to-go" bag of treats before Touching Bases on November 12th. They were very appreciative and especially enjoyed all of the donated Halloween candy! Again, thank you to everyone who helped us fortify the staff for their whirlwind morning!

The 1st Quarter Honor Roll Receptions on November 28th and 29th were a BIG success! Our coordinators, Lesley Aschenbach (8th grade) and Kristy Freeman and Courtney Linden (7th grade), treated the honor roll students and their parents to a wonderful assortment of goodies! These receptions are a great way to celebrate the accomplishments of the kids, and let them know how proud we are!

Lastly, the Hospitality Committee will be hosting a Holiday Luncheon for the teachers and staff during the week before the winter break. We will be sending an email with all the details shortly. Please contact either of us if you'd like to help with this event. Thank you again for your continued support of HMS Hospitality!

*Marilyn Currence
MBCurrence@comcast.net
Jeanne Talbot
jeannetalbot@verizon.net
HMS Hospitality Committee Co-Chairs*

Noticias para los Padres Hispanos

Para más información favor de llamar a Erla Reyes, HMS Contacto Hispano, 703-904-4914, erla.reyes@fcps.edu.

Procedimiento a seguir en caso de ausencias

El reglamento del sistema Escolar del Condado de Fairfax que rige las ausencias está detallado a continuación:

En caso de que su hijo/a esté ausente, usted debe enviar una nota a la oficina correspondiente al grado de su hijo/a, si es por motivo de viaje, debe indicar en la nota y antes del mismo, los días que el estudiante va a estar

ausente y especificar la razón de la ausencia.

Ausencias Justificadas

Las ausencias durante las horas escolares prescritas serán justificadas por las siguientes razones: enfermedad del estudiante, una muerte en la familia, cita médica o dental, día festivo por motivo religioso o por cualquier otra razón por la cual el director considere que sea una excepción para que el estudiante no asista a clase y que sea para el bienestar del alumno. (Reglamento 2232.2).

Ausencias Injustificadas

Las razones para concluir una ausencia injustificada pueden incluir vacaciones familiares o del estudiante, situaciones de cuidado y supervisión de menores, actividades que no sean relacionadas con la escuela, pérdida del autobús escolar, u otras razones inaceptables para el director.

Después de la quinta ausencia injustificada, la escuela referirá al estudiante al oficial de asistencia, quien contactará al padre de familia. Si el estudiante está ausente un día adicional después de contactar a los padres de familia, una reunión será hecha. Si una futura ausencia injustificada ocurre, el oficial de asistencia pasará el reporte a la Corte de Relaciones Juveniles y Domésticas o iniciará los procedimientos aplicables en contra de los padres del estudiante.

Plan de cierre de las escuelas por estado inclemente del tiempo

Información sobre el cierre de las escuelas por motivo del estado del tiempo inclemente y emergencia.

Cuando se toma la decisión de cerrar las escuelas por el día

escolar o porque se abran dos horas más tarde, el anuncio será hecho a las 05:30 a.m.

En caso de que el horario cambie,

- Sintonice el canal 21 en la televisión por cable.
- Revise el www.fcps.edu
- Llame a la línea gratuita de las Escuelas del Condado de Fairfax al 800-839-3277.
- Para recibir esta información vía correo electrónico, regístrese en el "manténgase en contacto" ("Keep in Touch") en la página del internet mencionada anteriormente.

- La televisión y la emisora de radio local también pasarán este anuncio en las noticias.
- Por favor, no llame a la escuela o a la estación de televisión para obtener esta información

"FCPS" Tiene una Línea de Información Directa

Las Escuelas Públicas del Condado de Fairfax ("FCPS") han establecido una línea telefónica gratuita de información directa para los mensajes de emergencia con información disponible en español. El nuevo número telefónico permite que más personas usen la línea de información directa al mismo

tiempo, disminuyendo los retrasos y las señales de teléfono ocupado en los horarios de mayor uso.

El nuevo número, 800-839-FCPS (3277) entra en vigencia inmediatamente y se puede tener acceso a los mensajes 24 horas al día, siete días a la semana. En caso de que las escuelas cierren o abran más tarde u otras situaciones de emergencia, se puede obtener la información llamando al número de llamadas gratuitas desde cualquier parte de la región. Para español oprima el 2.

128 Pages of Memories in Full Color

YEARBOOKS

Prices Will Increase in January!!

Checks can be mailed to the school or sent in with your child in a sealed envelope and delivered to the *front office*. After processing your check, a receipt is given to your child's 3rd period teacher to go home with your child. Thank you very much for your support, and we look forward to delivering your child's yearbook at the end of the school year!

Casson Hersh, Yearbook Advisor



2007-2008 Herndon Middle School Yearbook

Cost for the 2007-2008 Yearbook is **\$35** or **\$38** if you would like your child's name stamped on the front.

Please fill out the information below to ensure we can keep track of your information:

Name as Appears on Check _____ Check # _____

Student's Legal Name _____

Name Stamp Y__N__ Name to have Stamped _____

Student's 3rd Period Teacher _____

Telephone Number: _____

Please make your check payable to Herndon Middle School. Include *Yearbook* in your check memo. Checks can be mailed to **HMS, Attn: Casson Hersh; Yearbook Advisor; 901 Locust St., Herndon, Va. 20170** or sent in with your child in a sealed envelope marked Yearbook and delivered to the front office.



Hawks of the Month

September and October

Every month each academic team selects a student as a Hawk of the Month based on how well that student demonstrates the six pillars of character: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Caring, Fairness and Citizenship.

Thunderbirds

September Hawk: Harshini Pyata

Harshini is the Thunderbirds' Hawk of the Month because she is willing to help fellow students, completes her work on time, shows kindness towards everyone, and brings a smile with her to each class!

October Hawk: Carlos Moreira

Carlos is the Hawk of the Month because of his generosity to fellow classmates whenever they need supplies, support or a kind word. He works hard, completes assignments on time and is a quiet role model.

Roadrunners

September Hawk: Robbie Borde

Robbie is a personable, very mature young man with a great sense of humor! He is supportive of his peers, responsible and always has something kind to say to everyone!!!!

October Hawk: Victoria (Tori) Morris

Tori is a kind, helpful, responsible young woman. She is a diligent student who interacts well with her peers and teachers!!!!

Raptors

September Hawk: Anna Szima

If you looked up hard-worker in the dictionary, you would find a picture of Anna Szima. She is a diligent student who is *always* ready to learn, eager to participate, and willing to help!!!!

September Hawk: Szymon Tarnawa

Szymon is a pleasant, mature young man who is a capable student with many interests. He is a strong, quiet leader who is willing to help others and who is respected by his peers and teachers. He is truly an asset to the Raptors.

October Hawk: Paul Truong

Paul is a dedicated student. He is never afraid to ask for help and always ready to give it when needed. This is a young man striving for success in everything he does!!!!

October Hawk: Emily Evans

Emily Evans is intelligent, polite and frankly, wonderful! She is very attentive to the details of her studies and her homework and sets a great example for her classmates- a silent leader. We are lucky to have her in class!!

ESOL

September Hawk: Fernando Salgado (8th)

Fernando is new to the United States but has already acquired so much English that he is able to help other new students! He is a kind and compassionate boy who has a great work ethic – what a joy it is to have him in the classroom!

October Hawk: Mayra Alas Romero (7th)

Mayra is extremely helpful not only to her teachers, but also to her classmates! She is a born mediator and has been instrumental in helping others avoid getting into trouble with arguments!

Falcons

September Hawk: Jackson Greene

Jackson can consistently be counted on to be a model student. He is helpful, courteous, intelligent and respected by both students and teachers.

October Hawk: Irene Hassan

Irene is a responsible and conscientious student – who is also sweet and a delight to have in the classroom!!!

Kestrels

September Hawk: Eddie Henriquez

Eddie is diligent, earnest and successful! Inspires, assists and encourages other students to strive for excellence!

October Hawk: Kylee Horstman

Kylee is an insightful and charismatic leader. Can, and frequently does, carry a class forward and in the right direction.

Eagles

September Hawk: Peter Roberts

Peter exemplifies what it means to be an "Eagle" through his consistently good citizenship, excellent work habits, and an overall positive attitude which makes him such a great asset to the team!!!

October Hawk: Ariana Lauer

Ariana displays a mature and responsible attitude and enhances the classroom environment with her willingness to complete tasks and her efforts to produce high quality work!!

Pelicans

September Hawk: Andrew Goldin

Andrew has begun a very positive 8th grade year and has such a happy sense of humor! He works well with others and is striving for success in his classes. We are glad to have him on the Pelicans Team.

October Hawk: Deborah Headen

Deborah is a very mature and polite young lady. She is also an extremely hard worker, and has a positive influence on the other students in the class.

8th GRADE HONOR ROLL

A Honor Roll

**Kiera Andrews
Matthew Banks
Jorge Bonilla Lopez
Nathan Caballero**

**Brendan Craig
Ryan Culberson
Thomas Huang
Denise Lee**

**Emma Miller-Cvilikas
Timothy Nixon
Anne Pursifull
Nathan Smith**

**Avery Wauben
Brigitte Waugaman**

A/B Honor Roll

Shamim Ahmed
Joshua Albertson
Samantha Allen
Omed Amin
Megan Anthony
Rachel Baroody
Emily Beacham
Alexander Bednarek
Johanna Belafonte Pino
Marques Berry
Nicholas Black
Scott Booma
Taylor Brininstool
Corinne Burtschi
Kerry Burtschi
Nicholas Capsalis
Georgia Cartmill
Crystal Chu
Emily Clark
John Clarke
Domonique Collins
Elena Currence
Robin Falci
Kaija Flood
Brian Fortna
Hannah Frinks
Fiona Galvin
Peiman Ghofrani
Mina Girgis
Christopher Glazier
Andrew Goldin
Caitlin Graney
Ashley Grupenhoff

Sarah Haskell
Thomas Haskell
Irene Hassan
Deborah Headen
Adonay Henriquez Iraheta
Eric Hensley
Michael Hepfinger
Claribel Hernandez Martinez
Mayra Hernandez-Cruz
Parker Hill
Thomas Hitchings
Kylee Horstman
Troy Hunsaker
Meagan Huntington
Olivia Jewell
Hannah Kaplan
Kayla Kent
Leta Kent
Sri Ranga Aruna Kodakalla
Elle Krueger
Mandar Kulkarni
Zachary Landrum
Paul Latimer
Ariana-Sophia Lauer
Devin Lawless
Conner Lee
Nicole Lee
Madison Lewis
Max Linder
Walter Little
Julia Lloyd
Lea Maamari
Michael Maccannon

Clark Madden
Caroline Mann
Samuel Marcus
Lia-Marie Marmolejos
Logan Mattern
Philip Meyers
Patrick Miller
Michael Millon
Rawan Mohamed Nour
Abigale Mullet
Dominic Napoleon
Bridget Newell
Oray Nicolai
Ella Novoselsky
Nicole Ollerhead
Aldo Olmedo Duarte
Emily O'Rourke
Carrie Ortel
Catherine Parriott
Amanda Pascarelli
Anastasia Pechler
Elizabeth Pelishek
Elizabeth Peterson
Brett Petty
Gabriel Ryan Pike
Samantha Posey
Jayanth Prathipati
Sophia Rahman
Layla Rahmani
Suresh Rajan
Tyler Reif
Melkin Rivas Hernandez
Peter Roberts

Eunice Rodriguez Serpas
Katie Rosenbaum
Nicole Russell
Alexis Salgado
Benjamin Salvail
Christopher Sawatzki
Adam Schulan
Taylor Shannon
Christopher Shoemaker
Maria Silva
Jasjeet Singh
Sapna Singh
Faris Sleem
Matthew Smith
Alexis Sneed
Zachary Talbot
Hameed Talebian
An Thai
Carolyn Tran
Benson Truong
Jenna Van Camp
Sasha Vasquez
Morgan Volpe
Daniel Walker
Zachary Wallace
Nathan Wei
Caitlin Williams
Spencer Wilson
Emma Withers
Edward Yanosky
Rahib Zaman

7th GRADE HONOR ROLL

A Honor Roll

Sean Arney
Emily Blum
Emily Evans
Jamie Fico

Amy Freeman
Lauren Gabriel
Joshua Glazier

Katherine Lang
Gillian Linden
Katherine Reilly

Farah Siddiqui
Brandon Timbrook
Thomas Vollaro

A/B Honor Roll

Omar Abu-Ghannam
Rehan Ahmed
Adrian Ahn
Mayra Alas Romero
Nabil Ali
Erin Altschuler
Montserrat Alvarez Gorgua
Jose Andrade
Sarosh Aqeel
Matthew Arace
Steven Archambeault
Kent Auslander
Robert Borde
Kaitlin Bradford
Stephanie Brininstool
John Carlson
Tarryn Chichester
Erin Conner
Ivania Constanza
Cameron Copeland
Maria Corrales Gonzalez
Hannah Coyne
Meghan Craig
Conor Cudahy
Colin Curtis
Elizabeth Dalling
Dax Della Penna
Julia Diaz-Perez
John Druitt
Anmol Dua
Allison Dyke
Jonathan Ericson
Gregory Eubank

Marina Fernandez Lemus
Mary Fleming
Silviu Florea
Stefany Flores Salazar
Rebecca Foechterle
Yaqueline Gamez Recinos
Vanessa Garcia Gazo
Francisco Garcia-Morales
Francesca Gavino
Bilel Gdoura
Jordan Gilley
Sydney Gordon
Anidith Guevara Chira
Daniela Guillen
Jonathan Halverson
Ahnaf Hassan
Karsten Highberg
Katherine Hinders
Faizah Hoque
Syed Hossain
Brian Hrozencik
Amanda Huelskamp
Whitney Irish
Seth Itkin
Mary Fay Jackson
Samuel Jens
Amelia Johnson
Pongdanai Jumpaburi
Benjamin Kahn
Joshua Kashinsky
Katherine Kashinsky
Conner Keesling
Jacqueline Lahoz

Olivia Leshock
Nika Lomidze
Reina Lopez Aguirre
Yasmine Maggio
Elizabeth McCauley
Megan McCoy
Deirdre McDonough
Brian Medrano
Kurt Meyers
Lauren Michaely
Margaret Middleton
Conlan Miller
Tavgeh Mohammad Najad
Alex Monos
Kathryn Moran
Kate Morris
Brianna Moses
Noelle Muha
Pakiza Naeem
Trang Tiffany Ngo
Andrew O'Connell
Jeffrey O'Connell
Joy Oti
Megan Overton
Frank Henry Paredes
Britney Phekoo
Fletcher Phillips
Margaret Purnhagen
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Ahmed Radwan
Nevia Ramos Villaelvir
Irene Regalario

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Jennifer Reyes-Rubio
Adam Rosenberg
Marguerite Sagan
Olivia Savage
Clayton Sayre
Margaret Schaaf
Valerie Seidel
Jonathan Seng
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Lisa Sheffer
Ellie Shelton
Nicole Sherman
Lauren Sherrod
Pranjala Singh
Mario Sorto-Cabrera
Rachael Stempfley
Eric Stewart
Sarah Strangfeld
Shabnam Sultani
Anna Szima
Szymon Tarnawa
Kaitlynn Temple
Kunnal Vashisht
Jordan Vollenweider
Michael Wagner
Zachary Ward
Ryan White
Nathan Wycoff
Arol Yanez Banos
Lijia Zhang



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Honor, Maturity, Success

**Reminder: Winter vacation is
December 24, 2007 through January 1, 2008
School reopens January 2, 2008**



**Atención padres hispanos!
Hay noticias para los padres hispanos en español en pagina 11.**

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