Hickory Woods Elementary Weekly Reminders

Dear HWE Families,

You know it’s a really good spelling bee when you have more than 15 rounds of competition before you crown a champion. All of our spellers worked very hard to show off their spelling skills, but there could only be one winner. Please join us in congratulating Ferzeen K, our 2020 HWE Spelling Bee Champion! Ferzeen will now move on to the Oakland County Spelling Bee.

Don’t forget that there is no school on Monday in celebration of diversity and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. I hope to see you at WL Northern High School Monday evening for the district celebration event starting at 5:00 p.m. For more information on this wonderful event, please check out this video.

Have a great weekend,

Patricia

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HICKORY WOODS NEWS

Kids Care Council News: Kids Care Council continues to work on “Our Attitude for Gratitude” campaign. KKC is kicking off the “Souper Bowl of Giving” food drive which will align with the BIG GAME. We are asking students to bring in canned goods and other nonperishable grocery items to donate to Hospitality House. Our goal is 1,000 lbs. The collection will run thru February 7th. There will be a box in front of the media center for students to place their items. Thanks for your support.

2020-2021 Kindergarten: If you have an incoming Kindergarten student for the 2020-2021 school year, please call our office and let us know (248-956-2600). We will be sending information regarding orientation and activity night events and want to be sure that every family is reached! Please see our website for more information.

Parking Lot Reminders: Please remember these few safety items when driving through the parking lot:

- Always use a designated crosswalk when walking from the parking lot to the building.
- If you need to exit your vehicle, use a parking spot to stop. Stopping in a throughway prevents the flow of traffic and is a safety issue as your child exits the car where other cars are driving.
- We have a drop off lane around the back of the building available at 8:50 for you to let your child out of the car and into the building safely at door 18. Please have them exit the driver’s side of the car.

Reminder: Trading cards (Pokemon, etc) and other toys are not allowed at school unless specifically requested by the teacher for a special award day. Additionally, selling or trading items is not permitted at school. Thank you for helping your child to keep these items at home to prevent any sad feelings should they go missing.
Important Dates:

- **January**
  - 20 – No School, District-wide MLK Day Event @ WL Northern High School (evening)
  - 21 – Bonaventure Night 6:00-8:30 p.m.
  - 24 – PTA Popcorn Day (pre-paid only), Club/Activity Pictures for the Yearbook (no retakes will be available for absences)
  - 27 – Geography Bee @ 9:30 a.m.
  - 29 – Half Day (12:25 dismissal)
  - 31 – HAWK PRIDE, PTA Family Bingo Night @ 6:00-7:30 p.m. (note the time change)

- **February**
  - 3-March 20 – WIDA Testing Window
  - 4 – PTA Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
  - 5-7 – Fifth Grade Camp
  - 7 – All Pro Dad @ 8:00 a.m.
  - 12 – Count Day, Pajama Day ($1)
  - 14 – PTA Bagel Day (pre-pay only)
  - 17-21 – No School
  - 27 – Nest
  - 28 – HAWK PRIDE, PTA Popcorn Day (pre-paid only)

Please click here: [2019-20 calendar](#) to view this year’s district calendar.

**Volunteers Needed:** Family Pancake and Bingo Night is on January 31st from 6-7:30 PM. Invitations went home this week. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up [here](#). We are also looking for prize donations. Send them into the office next week if you have something you can donate for us to give away as a prize.

**Bonaventure Night:** Come roller skate with classmates on January 21st from 6-8:30 at Bonaventure.

**HWE Alumni Scholarship for 2020:** This is open to 2020 Graduating Seniors (WLW, WLC, WLN) that attended HWE. It is a $250 scholarship. Deadline is *March 20, 2020*.

**Volunteer Needed:** The PTA is looking for someone to co-chair the Restaurant Night Committee. This committee is responsible for reaching out to local restaurants to hold fundraisers at. HWE families get to dine out while supporting HWE. If interested please email hwepta@gmail.com

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Chance to win BIG & support WL classrooms! 15th Annual Tuition Expedition 50/50 Scholarship Raffle:** Purchase your [Tuition Expedition 50/50 Scholarship Raffle tickets](#) today! Raffle's proceeds are channeled into Walled Lake Schools' classrooms through Foundation's annual mini-grant program (see [list of grant awards](#) per school). Tickets are $50 each or 3 for $100 (plus $2 convenience fee per $50). Only 1,000 tickets are available for sale. Great Odds! Grand prize winner will receive scholarship funds for postsecondary education (40% lump sum option available). Plus, ticket purchasers have the chance to win a FREE raffle ticket
courtesy of the WL School Emp. Fed. Credit Union and opportunity to win secondary prize; HP Sprocket 200 Bundle Media printer donated by the FFE. Grand Prize drawing is March 30, 2020 at District’s Reflections Celebration; need not be present to win. Visit the FFE’s TE raffle website for details or contact the Foundation for more info. and to purchase tickets with check or credit card: phone ext. 62116 or email michellebianco@wlcsd.org. MI Raffle License# R55190