

Important Dates

Tuesday, October 8	Interim Progress Reports Sent Home
Wednesday, October 9	No School
Thursday, October 10	6:30-7:30pm Watch Dogs Night
Tuesday, October 15	Flu Shot Clinic at PLES
Wednesday, October 16	6-7:30pm Food Pantry
Friday, October 18	No School – Professional Work Day
Thursday, October 24	6-8pm Learning Night/Trunk-or-Treat
Wednesday, October 30	Individual Student Pictures
Friday, November 1	End of Quarter 1 – Students Dismiss at 12:20pm.

From the Principal. . .

Dear Phelps Luck Families,

Next Tuesday, your child will bring home his/her first quarter Interim Report. This is a great opportunity to see how your child is performing so far during the first quarter. If you have any questions/concerns, please contact your child's teacher. There have been some updates made to the Interim Progress Report related to learning behaviors. You can access more information on the HCPSS website at the link below.

<https://www.hcpss.org/academics/learning-behaviors/>

Please see the info below about Learning Night/Trunk-or-Treat. We have updated the event and the details are below! We hope you can attend!

Sincerely,
Michelle M. Leader
Principal

School News

Title I Information:

Title I is a federally funded program designed to ensure that all children have an opportunity to access a high-quality education. The goal of this federal program is to close the achievement gap for all students. There are two types of Title I programs: Targeted Assistance School programs and Schoolwide Title I programs. Phelps Luck has a Schoolwide Title I program. Schools are identified and authorized to implement one of these programs based on the percentage of students receiving free and reduced-price meals (FARMs). The Schoolwide program allows all students to be eligible for additional academic support. Federal funds are used to support and enhance the overall school program at Phelps Luck Elementary. These Title I funds may be used to upgrade the entire school's educational program so that the overall education of ALL children who attend the school can be improved. Currently, all Title I schools in Howard County operate as Schoolwide programs. For more information about Title I, please visit the HCPSS Title I website. <http://www.hcpss.org/academics/title-i-program/>

Learning Night & Trunk-or-Treat!

Save the Date - Thursday, October 24th

Please join us on Thursday, October 24th for an evening of Reading, Math and fall fun from 6:00-8:00pm! Rotations will include games and activities to support learning at home.

Rotations will be from 6:15-6:45pm, 6:45-7:15pm, and 7:15-7:45pm. **Families need to attend at least 2 full rotations to attend our Trunk-or-Treat.**

Students are invited to wear book character costumes to the Learning Night! We ask that you leave masks and costume weapons at home.

If you wish to donate candy for the event, please send in any bags of unopened candy to the front office. Hope to see you there!

From the Media Center

We are so glad that your children are enjoying their media center/library books! Your children are learning how to be responsible by bringing them back and getting new ones. Your children really enjoy choosing books for themselves and we love seeing which books they select! You can help them by keeping their books in their backpacks when they are not being read. Then they are ready to return on Media Day! We would love to see all children checking out books each week but we realize that sometimes books get lost or damaged. If this should happen, please let us know so that we can work out a plan to get another book in your child's hands! stephanie_greene@hcpss.org and....

Are you the parent of a 5th Grader? You could also be a Battle of the Books Coach! Information has been given out about how to create teams and important dates, but if you need more information, please visit the HC Library website. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Mrs. Greene at stephanie_greene@hcpss.org. It will be a great Battle in April!

From the Health Room

Flu vaccines are coming to our school! It's not too late to sign up online! Our flu vaccine clinic at PLES will be held on October 15, 2019, and you can go to www.vaccineconsent.com to sign up before October 4. Please contact the health room at 410-313-6886 with any questions. Thank you and here's to a healthy school year!

Watch D.O.G.S. Program

WATCH D.O.G.S. is one of the nation's largest and most respected school-based, family, and community engagement organizations in the country. Since the program's creation in 1998, more than 6,450 schools across the country have launched a WATCH D.O.G.S. program of their own. Each school year hundreds of thousands of fathers and father figures make a positive impact on millions of children by volunteering millions of hours in their local schools through this amazing one-of-a-kind program. Who are WatchDOGS? Fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers, uncles, and other father figures who volunteer to serve at least one day a year in a variety of school activities as assigned by the school's administrators.

We are excited here at Phelps Luck to get the program started. We are calling our fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers, uncles and other positive father figures to volunteer at least one day. Please mark your calendars, and make plans to come to our WATCH D.O.G.S. Kick-off Pizza Night on Thursday, October 10, 2019 at 6:00 PM. At this meeting, you will gain more insight into the program and how to sign up to volunteer. For more information, please email Mr. Blackwood at idoogie74@yahoo.com, or call Mr. McCleary or Ms. McGraw at 410-313-6886. Men, we are calling on you!

From the Community

Please visit the Community News and Programs webpage (<http://www.hcpss.org/community-news-and-programs/>) for all announcements of upcoming events and programs sponsored by non-profit organizations.