

Building Bridges

Wednesday, May 18, 2016



What's Happening?

Thursday 5/19

Field Day, 8:45am-2:30pm

Friday 5/20

No School - Articulation Day

Saturday 5/21

Spring Fling, 10am-2pm

Tuesday 5/24

Kindergarten Field Trip to Zoo
5th Grade Visit to Patuxent Valley

Wednesday 5/25

Coffee with Administration
8:45am

Friday 5/27

2nd grade Author Visit

Monday 5/30

No School - Memorial Day

Tuesday 5/31

5th Grade Simulated
Congressional Hearing

Friday 6/3

2nd Grade Picnic
3rd Grade Field Trip - Howard
County Conservancy

Monday 6/6

Band and Strings Concert,
8:45am

FIELD DAY Is Tomorrow!

Thursday, May 19th (Rain Date: Thursday, May 26th)

Grades 3,4,5: 8:45-11:30am

Grades K,1,2: 12:15-2:30pm

Students should dress appropriately for outdoor activity wearing sneakers and comfortable clothing. Hats and sunscreen (applied before coming to school) are also recommended.

Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle clearly marked with their name. Water tables will be available.

Parent volunteers should check in at the music tent for activity station assignments.

Morning volunteer 8:30 am (Grades 3,4,5)

Afternoon volunteer 12:00pm (Grades K,1,2)

Spring Fling on Saturday 5/21!

The PTA's Spring Fling will take place at Bollman Bridge on **Saturday 5/21 from 10am-2pm!** Special events will include story time, courtesy of the **Savage Library, at 10:30am and 11:30am,** and **Blue Sky Puppets, performing at 1pm.** The **Magic Guru** will be performing up-close magic tricks throughout the day, and the **Savage Fire Department** will stop by when they're available. In addition to **vendor displays,** a **Clothing Swap** will take place throughout the day. You select a bag of gently-used children's clothes for only \$1!

Welcome Incoming Kindergarten Families!

The kindergarten team is already looking forward to next year! We will be hosting an event so we can meet new kindergarten students and parents. This is also a great way for you to meet other families and for your child to meet other children who will be coming to kindergarten. Popsicles will be provided! ☺

Event: Popsicles on the Playground!

For: Incoming kindergarten students and their guardians

When: Monday, May 23rd

Time: 3:30-4:30pm

Where: The playground at Bollman Bridge

(You can just meet us there! Please do not enter the building.)



There is no need to RSVP for this event. This is a simple, informal gathering. Please pass this information along to other families who will have a child attending kindergarten at Bollman Bridge next year. We hope to see you there!

We Need Your Feedback! Please Take the Title I Survey!

Each year, Bollman Bridge evaluates its family programs to make sure that we are meeting the needs of both parents and students. Your feedback is very important to us! Please use this link to take the survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EOYBBES2016>

Can You Help With Simulated Congressional Hearing in 5th Grade?

All of Bollman Bridge's 5th grade students will participate in a simulated congressional hearing on **Tuesday 5/31**. The 5th grade team is looking for volunteers to help make this day run smoothly! If you are able to donate your time, the students will need **coaching help** in the classroom in the weeks leading up to the event. We need volunteers to **decorate on Friday 5/27** and volunteers to **clean up** at the end of the day on Tuesday 5/31. If you have a knack for **photography**, we would love to have you capture a few good images of the day. We will be **servicing lunch** to the judges that donate their time to support the students with this event. We will need donations of pasta salad, green salad, fruit, dessert, and dip that can be served with chips. If you are able to help the 5th grade team in any way, please contact **Ms. Holtzclaw** at Christina.Holtzclaw@hcpss.org. Thank you so much!

GT Summer Insituites

The G/T Summer Institutes for Talent Development is extending its registration deadline to **May 20th**. Don't miss out on this opportunity for your child to engage in these fabulous enrichment opportunities. Visit <http://www.hcpss.org/summer-programs> for the full course catalog and class enrollment availability.

News from Cub Scout Pack 617!

Cub Scouts is inviting boys K thru 4th grade to join Scouting!! Early Registration will be held on Tuesday, May 24th at 6:30 pm at Bollman Bridge Elementary School. If you are curious as to what to expect, have questions or just want more information you can stop by the Cub Scout booth at the BBES Spring Fling on Saturday May 21st or join us on May 24th! If you are registering a new Tiger Scout (current Kindergartner) they will also have the opportunity to join in the National Pike's Day Camp for Tiger Days on June 22nd and 23rd. For more information please contact: Sarah @ recruitment.pack617@gmail.com www.pack617.org

Attention 5th Grade Parents and Families!!

Important remaining dates are listed below, as the end of the year in 5th grade is an exciting and busy time of year!

Tuesday 5/24 Patuxent Valley Middle School Visit

Wednesday and Thursday 5/24 & 5/25 5th Grade MAP Testing

Tuesday 5/31 Simulated Congressional Hearing~ Come see your child present and defend their speech!

Thursday 6/2 Parent Meeting for Promotion Ceremony and 5th Grade Picnic: If you are interested, please send in a note with your student.

Friday 6/3 Promotion Tickets will be sent home. Each student will be given 3 tickets. If you do not need all 3, please return the extra so we can accommodate larger families.

Monday 6/6 Band and Strings Concert during school

Tuesday 6/7 Band Concert, 6:30pm

Wednesday 6/8 Strings Concert, 6:30pm

Wednesday 6/15 5th Grade Closing Ceremony and Picnic



Upcoming Community Events!

Howard County Police Department

A **FREE** overnight Youth Police Academy will be held **July 24-29** at the Public Safety Training Center for students aged 15-18 years old who are interested in a law enforcement career. For more information, check out the Howard County Police Department website at www.hcpd.org under Youth Programs.

Atholton Swim Club

Swim lessons at the Atholton Swim Club will begin on **June 6!** The Atholton Swim Club offers small class sizes and follows the American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim curriculum. Lessons are conveniently offered in the mornings or evenings in 2-week long sessions. Learn more at www.AtholtonSwimClub.com.

College Park Tennis Club

Learn tennis at the Premiere Tennis Center from **June 13 –August 19** from 9am-4pm at the College Park Tennis Club (5200 Paint Branch Parkway, College Park, MD). Students will learn the sport of a lifetime under the direction of our certified teaching staff. Contact tdelaney@cptennisclub.com or (301)779-8000 or www.cptennisclub.com for more information.

Host Families Sought for AFS Exchange Students

Next school year, about 20 exchange students will come from around the world to experience a life-changing year of cross-cultural sharing here in Howard County. If you are interested in more information, please contact Christina McGarvey at ckmgarvey@yahoo.com or (410)997-7087.

More AFS Intercultural Programs

Columbia Association is seeking host families for high school students from Columbia's new Sister City, Tema in Ghana (West Africa) from **July 15-31**. For a host family application or more information, please contact Laura Smit, Program Manager for International Exchange & Multicultural Programs at Laura.Smit@ColumbiaAssociation.org or (410)715-3162.

Howard County Government Questionnaire

Please take this questionnaire to help determine Howard County's community needs, strengths, and gaps for children and families. Your participation and voice are important to the Governor's Office for Children and the Howard County Local Children's Board. We want to hear from everyone! Thank you, in advance, for taking the time to complete this survey: <http://strtigixconsulting.howard-county-family-youth.sgizmo.com/s3/>

SUMMER CAMPS

Howard County Arts Council

Visual and Performing Arts summer camps take place from **June 20 - August 12** at the Howard County Center for the Arts (8510 High Ridge Road, Ellicott City, MD). For more information, visit www.hocoarts.org/shop/camps or contact Katie Wofford at (410)313-2787 or programs@hocoarts.org.

Elkridge Youth Organization

EYO is excited to offer another season of our tennis program! All activities take place at Rockburn Branch Park in Elkridge. More information is available at www.eyotennis.org.

Soccer Association of Columbia

SAC Training Academy summer camps are scheduled throughout the summer for players of all abilities, ages 5-14. Both full- and half-day sessions are offered. SAC also offers extended care from 4-6 pm for an additional fee. Visit online at www.sackick.com, or for more information, contact asksac@sac-hc.org.

CrossLife Church

Track and Field Camp will take place from **June 20-June 24** from 9am-12noon at Long Reach High School (6101 Old Dobbin Lane, Columbia, MD). More information is available at <http://crosslifeevents.org/>.

University of Maryland SPICE Camp

SPICE Camp (Students with Potential and Interest, Considering Engineering) is a week-long commuter program from **June 27-July 1** for young women who will be entering the 9th or 10th grade next fall and would like to learn more about engineering at the University of Maryland, College Park. Space is limited. Scholarship opportunities will be made available once admittance decisions have been made. Contact Bria Barry at (301)405-3283 or bmcelroy@umd.edu or <http://wie.umd.edu/k12/spice-camp>.

Bethany United Methodist Church VBS

Surf Shack Vacation Bible School (VBS) will take place from **June 27-July 1** from 9am-12noon at Bethany United Methodist Church (2875 Bethany Lane, Ellicott City). For more information or to register, please visit: <http://cokeburyvbs.com/bethanyum>. See you there!

Forest Hill Swim and Tennis Club

Looking for summer activities for your child? Forest Hill Swim and Tennis Club, located in Ellicott City, offers a variety of weekly tennis camps, as well as swim and dive lessons for children of all ages. For more information and to register, please visit www.fhstc.com.

Howard County Conservancy Nature Camps

Full-day nature camps take place from **June 27-August 19**. Camps are located in Woodstock on our 232-acre nature center and at the Belmont Inn in Elkridge. Visit www.hcconservancy.org/camp.html.

University of Maryland Foreign Language Camp

TerpsTalk, a new National Foreign Language Center Spanish and French Language summer camp for middle school students takes place at the University of Maryland. The camp will take place from **July 11-July 22** from 9am-3:30pm. Find out more at <http://nflc.umd.edu/camps>.

Center for Disease Control Data Detectives Camp

The National Center for Health Statistics is excited to announce the 2016 Data Detectives Summer Camp, taking place from **August 15-19** from 9am- 4pm. Contact us at datadetective@cdc.gov.

University of Maryland Engineering Camp

Stepping Stones to Your Future (SSTYF) summer camp is a week-long co-ed commuter camp for rising 7th and 8th graders who are interested in learning more about engineering. Each day is filled with a variety of fun hands-on activities and engineering challenges. There are two weeks to choose from: Session 1 (**July 18-22**) or Session 2 (**July 25-29**). To apply, we require an online form and a teacher recommendation from a current math or science teacher. For more information or to fill out the application, visit our website at <http://wie.umd.edu/k12/sstyf>. If you have any questions, contact Dawn Ginnett at dginnett@umd.edu or (301)405-0315.

Healing Dimension Foundation Summer Study Skills Camp

Register now for the Healing Dimension Foundation's Stressless Tests Summer Study Skills Camps, to be held during the weeks of August 1st and 8th. Middle school classes meet from 9-11am, and high school classes meet from 12-2pm, Monday through Friday. To register or for more information, visit www.Stresslesstest.org or contact Betty Caldwell at Bcaldwell202@gmail.com.

SPORTS

Howard County Recreation and Parks

Volleyball classes and leagues are available for all ages and skill levels! For questions, please contact Carson Nickell at cnickell@howardcountymd.gov or (410)313-4720. To register, call (410)313-7275.

Sign up now to reserve your space!

Howard County Striders

Bullseye Running/Howard County Striders is now taking registration for two training programs: Youth Track Team (competitive) and Youth Fitness Spring Training (non-competitive). For more information on both programs, please visit <http://www.bullseyerunning.com/youth/>.