



## Retriever Report

A biweekly newsletter for Triadelphia Ridge Elementary School

May 9, 2008 Local (410) 313-2560 Non-Local (301) 621-4240 www2.hcpss.org/tres



### Dates to Remember

**PLEASE note testing dates to ensure your child's attendance on these days. Thanks!**

- May 12 Mid-quarter
- May 14 Field Day and 10<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration
- May 15 Interim Progress Reports issued
- May 16 **School Closed** - Professional Work Day
- May 19 Grade 5 Simulated Congressional Hearing  
3:30 School Improvement Team meeting
- May 21 Field Day - RAINDATE
- May 22 Grade 2 Field trip - Flag House/Fort McHenry
- May 26 **School Closed** - Memorial Day
- May 28 9:30/7PM Fifth Grade Choral Music Program
- May 30 1:30 Grade 1 Young Authors' Tea
- June 2 7PM Parent orientation for 2008-09 Kindergarten
- June 3 6PM PTA Executive Board and committee reps meeting  
7PM PTA Meeting and Ice Cream Social – open to all families
- June 5 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – picnic (note new date)
- **June 6 Note Date Change** 9:30 Band/Orchestra concert for school
- June 9 Kindergarten - Fun Day  
7PM Band/Orchestra spring concert - Marriotts Ridge HS
- June 10 RECC - picnic  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade - Camp Day  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade - picnic - Cedar Lane Park
- June 11 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade - picnic
- June 12 4<sup>th</sup> Grade - picnic  
12:25 Early dismissal - no RECC
- June 13 12:25 Early dismissal - no RECC  
4:00 PM Grade 5 Closing Ceremony - River Hill High School
- June 16 **Last day of school** 12:25 Early dismissal - no RECC  
11:15 School-wide assembly

### PRINCIPAL'S NOTE:

Many thanks to the TRES community for the numerous kind gestures showered on the staff during Teacher Appreciation Week. You made us feel special each day! What a treat!!

This is that time of year when we ask for your input as we plan for next year. Parents of students in grades K-4 recently received the "Consideration Card" to complete with information about their child. We thank you for taking the time to share your insights with us. In addition, the HCPSS is looking for feedback regarding our school environment. If you did not get an e-school newsletter announcement about this, please check the letter on the back of today's Retriever Report. We value your ideas as we continually look for ways to enhance learning at TRES.

As the warm weather returns more consistently, we ask your help in ensuring that your child comes to school in safe footwear each day. Flip flops are not the best shoe choice for active children. Thanks for reminding your child to wear shoes that will protect their feet when playing outdoors.

Room coordinators are reminded to have all letters going home to students regarding end of year activities approved by an administrator BEFORE it is copied and distributed.

We hope to see many of you at Field Day on Wednesday!

### SCHOOL NEWS:

\* **PE NEWS:** We are in search of gently used tennis balls. If you have any you'd like to donate for our striking unit, please send them in to Miss Short ASAP. Thank you!

\* **IMPORTANT Health Room News:** Medications remaining at the end of the school year should be picked up by the parent/guardian prior to dismissal on June 16, 2008. **All medications not picked up by student dismissal on June 16, 2008 will be discarded.**

\* **FIELD DAY UPDATE:** Thank you to all who have already indicated that you will be here to help out for this event. We could not have this special day without our parent volunteers!! See you on Wednesday! An e-school newsletter will be sent out on Tuesday afternoon if Field Day must be postponed due to rainy weather. Keep thinking those sunny thoughts!!!

\* **The School-Wide Enrichment Fair** was a school-wide success! Many thanks to all of the students and families who joined us and participated in this marvelous celebration of learning! Special .gov/RAP

recognition goes to all of our students who chose to do a science or social studies project. This level of diligence and commitment to continuous learning is commendable. The following students also completed a science or social studies project but their names were not included in the program Alex K, Erin J, Brendon A, Alyssa V, Joliana L, and Jovan L.

\* **BAND/ORCHESTRA CONCERT CHANGE:** Due to a scheduling issue at Marriotts Ridge High School, the TRES spring music concert for orchestra and band students will be held on **MONDAY, JUNE 9 at 7:00PM.**

### PTA NEWS:

**Don't forget** to mark your calendar for our final PTA meeting of the year on Tuesday, June 3 at 7PM. This ice cream social is open to all of our families. The meeting will include the election of officers for the 2008-2009 school year.

### COMMUNITY NEWS:

\* **Attention Military Families:** The Howard County Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Task force is in the process of identifying your special circumstances and needs. We want to hear from you. Focus groups will be held May 13 from 6:30-7:30PM at Waterloo Elementary, May 14 from 6:30-7:30 at Pointers Run Elementary, May 15 from 6:30-7:30 at Forest Ridge Elementary. For more information contact Diane Pelesh at 410-313-7412 or Rosimar Melendez at 410379-1319.

\* **Folly Quarter Middle School** will hold a General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, May 13 at 6:30 pm. The membership will vote on the proposed slate of officers for the 2008-2009 school year.

\* **The Glenelg High School Jazz Ensemble** will be presenting its ninth annual outdoor Jazz Under the Stars concert Sunday May 18, beginning at 5 p.m. As in previous years, it features a hot catered family picnic and concert held at Chapel View Farm in Woodbine. We are excited to have local celebrity, Deanna Bogart, as guest jazz soloist. The Silks will also be performing for your dinnertime entertainment!!

Tickets for the catered dinner and concert are \$30 for adults and \$15 for children under 12. Admission for children under 5 is free. To purchase your tickets, go to [www.glenelgbands.com](http://www.glenelgbands.com), click Jazz Under the Stars and then the InstantSeats ICON. Or you can purchase them through your favorite GHS band student. Directions to Chapel View Farm are also available on the website. Tickets must be purchased before May 14.

### SUMMER CAMPS

\* **Red Cross Learn-to-Swim Instructional Program:** If you are interested in finding out more information regarding this program to be held at Atholton Swim Club, stop by the TRES office for a flier.

\* **Are you looking for some fun this summer?** Join The Columbia Association Harper's Choice swim team and have a blast!! We are having our first social of the year at Splashdown on May 3 from 7:30 to 9PM. Bring yourself, a dessert to share and a drink. The season begins in June. All are invited (you have to be able to swim across the pool to join the team) If you have any questions, please contact the swim managers Lory Baird at 410-997-5911 or Regina Casazza at 410-997-5017.

\* **With summer camp season** nearly upon us, Howard County Recreation and Parks has many exciting camps to offer:

#### Art Camps At Phelps Luck Elementary

Howard County Recreation and Parks is now accepting registration for Art Exposure summer camps. Camps run for one week each, either from 9AM-noon or 1-4PM. Registration will be accepted from participants entering grades 2-5. The fee for these programs is \$109. For more information, please call Holly Harden at (410) 313-4630 or visit the website at [www.howardcountymd.gov/RAP](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/RAP).

#### Music And Arts Academy

The camp is held at Hammond High School and will run Monday-Friday, 8:45AM - 3:00PM, for two weeks beginning on July 7. Registration will be accepted from participants between 7-16 years of age. Tuition is \$420. For more information, please call Holly Harden at (410) 313-4630, or visit the website at [www.howardcountymd](http://www.howardcountymd)