BBMS PTA News - September 29, 2017

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Important Dates (mark your calendars)

October 11^{th -} PTA meeting, 7 pm in the media center October 23rd - LAST DAY to send in BoxTops for the contest

LAST CALL FOR A REFLECTIONS CHAIR- check out the website to see what Reflections is all about!! http://www.mdpta.org/bridge_reflections.html You will have support! We just need to register with MD PTA and get the info on the school website to get the ball rolling. The contest runs into November, so there is time to get everything lined up by then. If interested, please contact Tonya Sigalas at president@bbmspta.org ASAP!!

All-in-One Forms- Have you sent yours in yet??

Membership and Direct Donations are rolling in. We would love to have all forms sent in by October 15th. Please fill your form out completely, being sure to include how you would like to be involved at BBMS this year!! Thank you to those who have already sent in your direct donation, signed up to volunteer, or became a member of the PTA this year! If you sent it in with your student, please check their backpack to make sure it was delivered!!:)

LOST YOUR FORM, no problem, click here...

BoxTops Contest

We are kicking off our first BoxTops contest of the school year!! The contest will run until October 23rd. Please send in your BoxTops in a Ziploc bag, marked with your child's name, grade and amount of BoxTops. Be sure to remove expired ones!! Collection Box is located in the front office. WINNER TAKES ALL IN THIS CONTEST!! Happy Clipping!!

For those avid shoppers out there....earn even more money for the school, download the BoxTops Bonus for Education App, click on items you purchase, take a picture of your receipt,, and send in a tally of those items from your app with your other BoxTops and those count toward the contest too!!

Shark Shop ---Official Opening, October 6th

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Students.....keep earning those shark bucks with positive BBMS values and shop the Shark Shop for cool stuff every Friday during all lunch shifts. School supplies, arts & crafts, gadgets, jewelry, books and backpacks. Lots of new stuff this year!

Parents....the PTA helps stock the store but we also accept donations. Items you have never used, school supplies, costume jewelry, gadgets, bday presents that never got used!!. Bag them up and send them to the front office and say they are for the Shark Shop. We welcome any donations!! If you have any questions (about the Shop or if an item is desired for donation) please email ziluca@mac.com.

PALS- Parents Assisting Lunch Shifts

Assisting in the cafeteria is a nifty way to be a part of the school atmosphere and see the students interacting. We need volunteers for any and all lunch shifts, but Fridays during Shark Shop hours are a definite need. The position is really about ensuring that there aren't too many students leaving at one time to shop or go to the bathroom - low stress, but fun to be a part of the kids day. The BBMS website will have a sign up sheet for any slots you would like to fill - any questions, email ziluca@mac.com!

COAT DRIVE

The Bonnie Branch PTA is helping with the HCPSS Annual Coat Drive. This collection provides winter coats, hats and gloves to Howard County students and their families in need. Please deposit clean and good condition winter coats, hats, gloves and/or mittens in the collection box in the front office. All sizes, from infant to adult, will be appreciated. Please send in coats by October 23rd.

NinjaBE is partnering with BBMS PTA- fundraiser

Count down is on... NinjaBe will open November 3rd! Have the coolest bday party this year and schedule NOW before they fill up completely!! Or just book tickets for a visit one day! Visit their website, www.NinjaBE.com and like/follow their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/NinjaBEFun. When you go to NinjaBE through December 31, 2017, tell them BBMS PTA sent you!!They will donate back \$5 for each person who attends for one hour or more and if you host a Deluxe or Ultimate birthday party, they will donate \$30 back to the PTA!! Have a BLAST and help the PTA at the same time!

THANK YOU- we can't do it without you!!

HUGE THANK YOU to **Dave Fogle**, **Glenna Deekle**, **Karen Lawlor**, **Sangita Patel**, **Bernadette Rogers** and **Jenny Steffins** for assisting with Hearing and Vision Testing at BBMS which was completed in record time this year!! YOU ALL ROCK!!

Thank you to the **AMAZING 41 FAMILIES** that stepped up to support our **STARS** program this year! The staff truly appreciates all your efforts. This program can only happen because of YOU!!!

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Thank you so much for those parents who reached out to lead a committee that was in need, especially **Elizabeth DiGuillio** for BoxTops, **Jeff Johnson** for FBI, **Heather Fox** for CAC, and **Todd Silver** for SIT!! Not to mention the MANY parents who have indicated on their All-in-One forms that they want to help make a difference this year at BBMS!!

UNO's Fundraiser-

Thank you to those families who participated in our Uno's fundraiser!! We will post the amount donated back from sales in our next PTA newsletter!! Next restaurant night will be early December!

COMMUNITY EVENTS-

HC DRUG FREE

Hold the Date: Thursday, October 19: Marriotts Ridge HS PTSA and Mount View MS PTA Partnering with HC DrugFree to Educate Parents
On Thursday, October 19, Marriotts Ridge High School PTSA and Mount View Middle School PTA will partner with HC DrugFree to present a program for

parents/adults. The program will begin at 7:00 p.m. and be held at Marriotts Ridge High School. More information to come, but please hold the date! To learn more about HC Drug Free, please visit http://www.hcdrugfree.org/.

Howard High Homecoming Parade

Howard High School is having a festive homecoming parade Saturday, October 21st from 9:30-10:30. There will be floats, music and much more . We encourage people of the bonnie branch community to come out.

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