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The Weekly Wave
01/11/2018
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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"A Great Place for Kids"

Important Calendar Reminders:

Thurs, 1/11: Yearbooks Cmte. Mtg 4-5:30
Thurs, 1/11: Mrs. Wood's Lego Robotics 4-5:15
Mon, 1/15: Schools closed; Martin Luther King Jr.
Tues, 1/16: Mr. Helm & Mrs. Gladfelter's Lego Robotics 4-5:15 pm
Tues, 1/16: PTA Meeting 6:30 pm
Thurs, 1/18: Yearbook Cmte Mtg. 4:05-5:30
Thurs, 1/18: Mrs. Wood's Lego Robotics 4-5:15
Thurs, 1/18: Beach Bishops Tournament Practice 4-5:30 pm
Sat, 1/20: MCA Grade Championships at Poly-Western High
Tues, 1/23: Mr. Helm & Mrs. Gladfelter's Lego Robotics 4-5:15 pm
Weds, 1/24: End of Second Quarter
Weds, 1/24: Fifth Grade SMECO Math 4:10-5:00
Thurs, 1/25: Yearbook Cmte Mtg. 4:05-5:30
Thurs, 1/25: Mrs. Wood's Lego Robotics 4-5:15
Fri, 1/26: **2 hour early dismissal; no PM Pre-K**
Sat, 1/27: Town of Chesapeake Beach Community Mural painting
Tues, 1/30: Mr. Helm & Mrs. Gladfelter's Lego Robotics 4-5:15 pm
Thurs, 2/1: 2nd quarter report cards available in HAC
Thurs, 2/1: Yearbook Cmte Mtg. 4:05-5:30
Thurs, 2/1: Mrs. Wood's Lego Robotics 4-5:15
Sat, 2/3: Mid Atlantic K-12 Chess Championship, Poly Western High
Sat, 2/17: Chess-A-Peak Classic at BES

MLK Days at Annmarie Sculpture Garden:

Annmarie Garden on Dowel Road in Dowell (Solomons Island) will be having a FREE 3-day family event to celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr, with uplifting community art activities. The event will take place from Saturday, January 13th through Monday, January 15th, from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm each day. You can participate in a special community art project, enter the "Tent of Many Colors", and create a piece of art in the "Make and Take Art Activity" in the artLAB. For further information, contact Stacey Hann-Ruff, Director, at director@annmariegarden.org or 410-326-4640.

Box Tops Update:

Thank you to everyone who sent in Box Tops. We have received our check in the amount of \$641.50! That's a lot of box tops. A special "thank you" goes to Mrs. Magruder, who coordinated all of the effort that goes into this project. It is a huge amount of work. Keep saving those boxtops, and let everyone you know about the benefits our school receives. Thanks again!

Attention Chorus Members: Mrs. Thompson is looking for chorus members to sing in a concert on January 27 at 1pm at the North East Community Center. This concert will be in conjunction with the "Bay Ecology Community Mural Project". Come help create a beautiful mural with other members of the community and take part in a choral performance celebrating our planet. Permission slips will be coming home and are due back to Mrs. Thompson by January 19. See you there!

Parents and volunteers needed for Art:

Chesapeake Beach and Beach Elementary Bay Sea Life Community Mural Project.

You can:

- ~Paint the mural
- ~Listen and perform music and poetry inspired by nature
- ~Learn about the Bay Environment

Small Gym Northeast Community Center
January 27 10 am- 3 pm and Jan 28 12-4

Contact Ms. Bensing at bensingt@calvertnet.k12.md.us for more information.

Attention 5th Graders:

Please bring your recorders to music class starting on **January 9**, which is a "D" day. We will be using recorders on music class each week until further notice. If you purchased a recorder at the beginning of the school year, you will receive it at this time. Mrs. Thompson has a limited number of recorders for sale for \$5 each (cash/check made out to BES). Remember, being "ready to learn" means coming prepared to music class each week. Thank you!

Family trips and vacations during the school year:

Please note the following:

- If we do not receive **advance notice** of your request (email or letter) with the dates that your child/ren will be absent, then I will not approve your request as a legal absence from school. These legal absences will still count toward the annual limit of 20 days absent for elementary students. Students who miss 20 or more days may not be eligible for promotion to the next grade.
- Teachers will **not** be preparing advance assignments for your child/ren. Parents will need to contact their child's teachers when they return to arrange for a due date for missed assignments. If you have any questions, contact Ms. Francis or Dr. Shisler.

Chess-A-Peake Classic at Beach:

Mark your calendars for Saturday, 2/17/18 We will host our annual Beach Chess-a-peake Classic right here at Beach ES. This will be a non-rated tournament again so that USCF memberships will not be required. We will have ES, MS, and HS and adult sections.

Yearbook Photos

PARENTS AND TEACHERS: Remember to submit all photos to beachelementaryyearbook@gmail.com!!! If you have anything you have taken since the beginning of school, please send them our way!!!! Please label them with the Grade, Teacher Name and/or Event, and Student Name.

Reminder: Arrival + Dismissal procedures:

Our school day begins at 8:55 am and instruction ends at 3:40 pm. Parents/guardians must sign their child/ren in on the main office computer after 8:55 am (tardy) and must sign out prior to 3:20 pm on the office computer (early dismissal). Students will **not** be dismissed from the office after 3:20 pm, and will need to be signed out at the media center patio area (car riders). Car riders will be called at 3:40 pm to report to their dismissal area at the media patio. When signing out your child/ren, please bring your personal ID to show office staff or dismissal staff.

PLEASE NOTE: Any time someone other than the parent or guardian will be picking up the child from school, we must have a written note with the person's name. We cannot take these changes over the phone.

On two-hour early dismissal days, the early dismissal sign out time would be 1:20 pm. Car riders would then be called at 1:40 pm. On two-hour late arrival days, parents would need to sign in their child/ren after 10:55 am.

Due to the challenges with parking on our campus, our aim is to keep car and bus traffic separated so that our children are safe at dismissal time.

For medical appointments that require early release sign outs, please send a note, fax, or email to let us know when you expect to be here to pick up your child/ren. Please send us your request the day before your appointment, and for emails, copy both office staff and administration. When

you ring the front doorbell, please give your name and that you are here to pick up your child for an appointment.

If you have any questions about these procedures, you can contact Dr. Shisler, Mr. Korsan, or Mrs. Hammett.

Bus Driver Recruiting Fair:

There will be a Bus Driver Recruiting Fair on **Saturday January 27, 2018 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Career and Technology Academy, 330 Dorsey Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678. Weather date: February 3, 2018.** School bus drivers work for independent bus contractors throughout Calvert County. These contractors hire drivers to drive daily routes, to drive as substitutes, and to drive trips to athletic and extracurricular events. The contractors who serve CCPS are seeking qualified candidates to be trained and certified as school bus drivers. This is a great opportunity to work close to home and to serve the children in our community.

Free, required Pre-Service classes are held on the second Wednesday of each month. Please contact Chuck Baker, Driver Instructor, at 443-550-8778 for details on participating in the required Pre-Service class, the process of earning certifications, and for questions about the Application for Certification. Free training provided.

State Chess Tournaments:

We will aim to participate in the following MD Chess Association (MCA) tournaments: (all on Saturdays)
1/20/18: MCA Grade Championships at Poly-Western HS
2/3/18: Mid- Atlantic K-12 Champ. at Poly-Western HS
3/24/18: MCA K-5 and K-3 Champ. at Poly-Western HS
4/14/18: MD Girls Championships at Cathedral School in Baltimore. Please mark your calendars. Registration info will be sent home before each tournament date. Thank you in advance.

A-E Resource Schedule:

Fri, 1/12:	B
Mon, 1/15:	School Closed
Tues, 1/16:	C
Weds, 1/17:	D
Thurs, 1/18:	E
Fri, 1/19:	A

The lunch menu may be accessed on the CCPS website at www.calvertnet.k12.md.us Click on "Menus" under Quick Links on the home page.

The alternate choice for the week of January 15 through January 19 is Cheese Dippers.

Fri, 1/12:	Grilled Cheese or Chicken Nuggets
Mon, 1/15:	School Closed; Martin Luther King Jr Day
Tues, 1/16:	Rib-B-Que Sandwich
Weds, 1/17:	Tuna Salad Sandwich
Thurs, 1/18:	Sloppy Joe on Bun
Fri, 1/19:	Pancakes with syrup and sausage patties