

# **CLES DOLPHIN SPLASH**

Centennial Lane Elementary School PTA <http://www.clespta.org>  
September 15, 2017

## **SEPTEMBER:**

- 9/14 GTAC Meeting – at Homewood School from 7-8:30pm
- 9/15 Dolphin Dash – at CLES from 6-8pm
- 9/21-9/22 School Closed
- 9/26 PTA Meeting at 7:00 p.m. - CLES Media Center (All are welcome)
- 9/27 CAC Meeting – Boardroom of the Dept of Education at 7pm
- 9/28 Flu Clinic - Volunteers needed (see below)

## **OCTOBER:**

- 10/4 PTA Meeting at 7:00 p.m. - CLES Media Center (All are welcome)
- 10/5 Fall Pictures
- 10/6 Movie Night at CLES from 7-9pm
- 10/12 Hearing and Vision Screening - Volunteers needed (see below)
- 10/9-13 SHARE THE WARMTH Coat Drive at CLES
- 10/19 Hearing and Vision Re-screening - Volunteers needed (see below)
- 10/20 School Closed

## **NOVEMBER:**

- 11/9 Reflections Deadline

## **MARCH:**

- 3/16 Science Fair – BMMS at 6-8pm

## **UPCOMING PTA EVENT DETAILS and INFO:**

### **PTA Membership:**

The deadline for PTA membership is quickly approaching! Please complete your PTA membership form as soon as possible! The membership form as sent home on blue paper on the first day of school in the students' folders. There will be a Membership table at the Back to School nights, so bring cash or check payable to CLES PTA if you would like to become a member at that time! Questions? Contact Maureen Ritter at [mritter99@netzero.net](mailto:mritter99@netzero.net)

**If I have more than one child, do I need to fill out the blue PTA membership form more than once?**

Only one form is needed per family. Please put one student name and homeroom on the form in the student section so that PTA cards can be provided to you.

**Which family members should join the PTA?**

It is up to you how many members of your family you would like to be members of the PTA. You are permitted to have all family members become PTA members but most people typically choose to have one or both parents become members. The first member costs \$10 and each additional member is \$5. As a member, you have a vote at General PTA meetings so having a parent as a member is a good idea.

**Will the PTA be providing a directory this year?**

Yes! A complimentary directory will be provided to PTA members. The school system collected information from you in a "PTA Directory" section when you completed your Family File. Once the school system releases that information to the PTA, we will quickly distribute the directory to our school community.

**Where can I find a blank PTA Membership form?**

The blank form can be found at [clespta.org](http://clespta.org). Click on 'Documents' and then 'Membership Form'

**Volunteers needed for flu clinic:**

The Heath Room is in need of some volunteers to escort children from their classrooms through their school for flu shot administration as well as for hearing and vision screenings. If you are able and willing to help please take a look at the below link and sign up for a date that works with your schedule.

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/60B044DAAAE2EAB9-flushots](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/60B044DAAAE2EAB9-flushots)

**Reflections:**

"**Reflections**, a nationwide Arts recognition and achievement program, is back again: While reflecting on this year's theme ***Within Reach***, choreograph a dance, produce a film, write a poem or short story, compose a song, take a picture, or create a piece of visual art and tell us your interpretation of the theme. The deadline for submission is November 10, 2017. More information and entry forms will be sent home soon, as well as made available on the PTA website - Can't wait to see what, or who, is ***Within*** your ***Reach!***"

**GTAC Meeting - Thursday, September 14, 2017, 7:00pm-8:30pm**, Homewood School – The G/T Parent Advisory Committee (GTAC) works with the HCPSS G/T office, school administrators, G/T resource teachers, and other school personnel to receive updates, ask questions, and provide feedback related to G/T programs <https://sites.google.com/site/hcpssgtac/>

### **Dolphin Dash:**

**Friday, 9/15 from 6-8 p.m.** Join your CLES friends at this fun back-to-school event for the entire family. Students will participate by grade level in a fun run on the field behind the school (**kindergarteners go first, so arrive early to get settled and ready to run at 6 p.m.!**). After the Dash, students will dance to DJ music, enjoy an ice cream treat and receive one glow stick. This event sponsored by the CLES PTA. The event is free and open to all CLES families. See you at the Dash!

**CAC Meeting - Wednesday, September 27, 2017, 7 p.m.**, Boardroom at the Department of Education, 10910 Clarksville Pike - The CAC is a volunteer organization and is open to all community members who have an interest in Howard County education. <http://www.hcpss.org/board/cac/>

### **Movie Night:**

**Friday, October 6th from 7-9 p.m.** Save the date to join your CLES friends on the blacktop behind the school for an outdoor movie and free popcorn. The movie will be announced soon and additional information will be communicated closer to the event date. This event is sponsored by the CLES PTA.

**SHARE THE WARMTH!!! - PTA sponsored winter coat drive (Oct. 9-13)** - Please remember those in our own community and donate any winter wear you have in your closets that you no longer need. We will be accepting coats, gloves, hats and scarves. **All items must be freshly laundered and in wearable condition.** Boxes will be marked in the front lobby for students and parents to drop off items during the school day and will also be placed outside of the school after school hours as well. Items will be collected **October 9-13**. Boxes will also be available at the PTA sponsored movie night on Friday, October 6th to kick off the collection week. Please feel free to contact Renae Kurc ([rdkurc@yahoo.com](mailto:rdkurc@yahoo.com)) or Jen Kim ([jenandgeoffkim@gmail.com](mailto:jenandgeoffkim@gmail.com)) with any questions or concerns. Thank you for helping to keep our community warm this winter and for making our coat drive a success!

**Science Fair - Friday, March 16th - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**, at BMMS - CLES students present their science projects to the community. Contact [CLESScienceFair@gmail.com](mailto:CLESScienceFair@gmail.com) for more info. Sponsored by the PTA.

**COMMUNITY NEWS:** Please visit the Community News and Programs page (<http://www.hcpss.org/community-news-and-programs>) on the HCPSS website for

announcements of upcoming events and programs sponsored by non-profit organizations.

*\*Next PTA Newsletter will go out on Thursday 9/28/2017*

*Please email Joy Fishman [mjkfishman@gmail.com](mailto:mjkfishman@gmail.com) by Tuesday 9/26/17 with any newsletter submissions\**