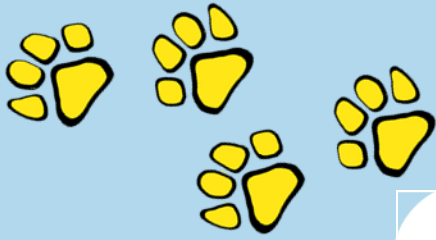


# Wild About Learning



# LMES

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## Dear Parents and Laurel Meadow Staff,

I would like to say a BIG "Thank You" to everyone who participated in our 5<sup>th</sup>  Teacher Delivery Night! Especially the Teachers...you ROCK! It is always so much fun seeing the kids' faces when we deliver pizzas. We are excited to say that we raised over \$2,500 for the school and PTA! What a great, fun and easy way to raise money for our school.

I can't believe the end of the year is right around the corner! I hope all the students enjoy watching the talent their friends have at the variety show! Thanks to Mrs. Tiffany Talley for making the variety show such a hit for the whole school! This is always so much fun for the students to participate and watch! It's exciting to see so much talent at LMES! 



It is going to be a busy and exciting May, starting off with Field Day on May 5<sup>th</sup> (K-2<sup>nd</sup>) and May 6<sup>th</sup> (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>)!! I know Ms. Peggy Matthews has all sorts of fun games for the students to play! Then, we are looking forward to seeing all the Moms again this year for "Muffins for Mom" on Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget to join us for a little sweet treat at **sweetFrog** on Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>!

May is also a busy time of year for our 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> graders who are taking their SOL tests. And everyone is busy preparing for the end of the year activities. I encourage each of you to take the time to recognize your child's teachers for the outstanding job they have done all year! Teacher Appreciation Week is being held May 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>. A letter should come home in Tuesday folders detailing some ways you can thank them. Don't forget the wonderful job our resource teachers have done with Art, Music, PE, and Library!



As always, please feel free to contact me at [daveanddanahughes@comcast.net](mailto:daveanddanahughes@comcast.net) if you have any questions!

Sincerely,  
Dana Hughes  
**PTA** President



# Principal's Corner - Ms. Karen Carpenter



As the temperatures continue to rise outside, the level of activity in the building continues to grow as we begin to focus on end of the year activities. May is an extremely busy month highlighted by: Field Day, Muffins with Mom, LMES Rock 'N Roll 5K, and of course SOL assessments for students in grades 3-5.

Our SOL assessment window begins on May 16<sup>th</sup> and closes on June 10<sup>th</sup>. Our students and teachers have worked hard to prepare for these annual assessments. Parents can assist during this testing season by reviewing the testing schedule and making sure that your child has plenty of rest the night before each testing day. Also, be sure to talk about each test with your child in a positive manner by being encouraging and remind your child to "do your best on the test." Parents will receive the final results in the final report card. If you have questions about your child's test results, then please feel free to call the administrative team.



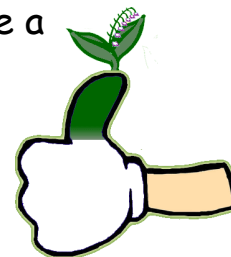
### Congratulations:

Many thanks to Aneli Williams and Chesnea Anderson for representing LMES at the recent Superintendent's Student Advisory Luncheon. They had the opportunity to meet Dr. Gill and other division leaders. The goal of this annual event is to discuss the current state of our schools and get student input related to how Hanover County Schools can improve. Continuous improvement and student achievement is always a goal for all Hanover County Public Schools.

A big congratulations goes to **Mrs. Mary Jackson** for being named Laurel Meadow's Support Employee of the Year. She works as an instructional assistant and works hard to ensure that all students benefit from classroom instruction. She always goes the extra mile for Laurel Meadow students.



**Help Wanted:** Do you have a green thumb and want to help the school? We are in desperate need of a team of gardeners to work on cleaning up and maintaining our courtyard garden. Volunteer hours are very flexible. You can volunteer during the day or early evening hours. Also, we need help with maintaining this area during the summer. Please call the office and let us know if you can assist us with this important area of the school.



**Join us**  
**Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:00 - 8:00 pm @**

**sweetFrog**  
premium frozen yogurt



**on Bell Creek Road**



Please "Like" the "Laurel Meadow Elementary School PTA" on Facebook.



A message from

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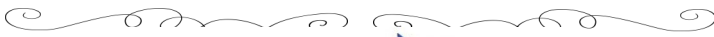


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### **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade SOL Tests:**

Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> – Reading, Part I  
Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup> – Reading, Part II  
Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> – Math, Part I  
Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Math, Part II

### **4<sup>th</sup> Grade SOL Tests:**

Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup> – VA Studies  
Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> – Reading, Part I  
Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> – Reading Part II  
Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> – Math, Part I  
Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> – Math, Part II

### **5<sup>th</sup> Grade SOL Tests:**

Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> – Reading, Part I  
Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> – Reading, Part II  
Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> – Math, Part I  
Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> – Math, Part II  
Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> – Science

### **6<sup>th</sup> Grade SOL Test:**

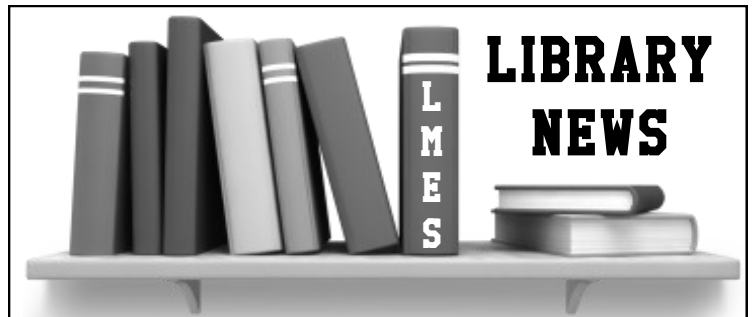
Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> – Math

\* \* SOL Make-ups will occur throughout the testing window from May 17<sup>th</sup> - June 10<sup>th</sup>.

\* \* \* Please contact Karen Dubiel, Assistant Principal at 723-2040 or [kdubiel@hcps.us](mailto:kdubiel@hcps.us) if your child will be absent during his/her assigned testing day. Thanks!

## **CHARACTER CORNER**

**CITIZENSHIP** means doing your share to make your school and community better. **CITIZENSHIP** encompasses all the character traits we've learned this year: respect, fairness, caring, trustworthiness, and responsibility. To be a good **CITIZEN**, cooperate with others and get involved in community and school projects. Be a good neighbor at home and a good classmate at school. Obey all rules and laws, and respect authority - including parents, teachers, coaches and other adults. Do your part to take care of the environment, and volunteer when you can. Being a good **CITIZEN** is important throughout your life!!!



### **Mystery Reader Week:**

📖 May 23<sup>rd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>

### **All Library Books Due:**

📖 Due May 27<sup>th</sup>

📖 After that, please continue to access our Virtual Library at <http://hcps.us/lmes/library.htm>.

Find out more about our library collection through Destiny Library Catalog, read an ebook, or use online reference sources that are up to date and reliable.





# MAY 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 Teacher Appreciation Week	4 Walk to School	5 K-2 <sup>nd</sup> Field Day	6 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Field Day	7
8 MOM	9 Muffins for Mom 7:30 am	10 sweetFrog Spirit Night 5:00-8:00 pm	11	12	13	14 ROCK 'N ROLL 5K & FUN RUN
15 Newsletter Submissions Due	16 SOL Testing Begins	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 MAY
29	30 No School	31	<b>Coming in June!</b> Thru 10 <sup>th</sup> - SOL Testing 9 <sup>th</sup> - K-2 <sup>nd</sup> Carnival 10 <sup>th</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Carnival 13 <sup>th</sup> - K-2 <sup>nd</sup> End of Yr Party		14 <sup>th</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> End of Yr Party 14 <sup>th</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion 15 <sup>th</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup> - Early Release 16 <sup>th</sup> - Last Day of School	

## ROCK 'N ROLL 5K & FUN RUN

Saturday, May 14, 2016

For more information, go to <http://lmes5k.weebly.com/>.

LMES would like to thank the newest sponsors of this year's Rock 'N Roll 5K & Fun Run!

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