

Lights Camera Learning!



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Upcoming events

- Feb 3 - RO Team Meeting
- Feb 7 - Early Release
- Feb 10 - Dinner & Dance
- Feb 16 - RO Practice
- Feb 20 - No School
- Feb 21 - Skate Night
- Feb 23 - Early Release & Parent/Teacher Conf.
- Mar 2 - 1st Grade Musical
- Mar 3 - RO Team Meeting
- Mar 9 - Reading/Writing Night
- Mar 9 & 10 - Spring Pictures
- Mar 14 - Riverbound Spirit Day
- Mar 24 - RO Competition
- Mar 30 - Variety Show
- Mar 31 - Early Release



Dear Parents and Laurel Meadow Staff,

Can you believe the first semester of this school year has already ended? It's hard for me to believe! This school year seems to be flying by, or at least to me it is.

February is the month of love, and the PTA is excited to sponsor a family dance on Friday, February 10th. It will have a Hollywood theme. You can dress up, enjoy snacks, and dance with your family and friends. There will be prizes and more. Keep an eye out as more information will be coming home soon!! We also have a skate night planned



for Tuesday, February 21st at Ashland Skateland. Who doesn't love to roller skate? It's especially fun in February when it's chilly outside, and getting some exercise indoors is always fun. Come out and have fun while also supporting the PTA.

LMES has a group of amazing teachers. The Virginia Lottery and Virginia PTA are going to recognize 8 winners with a Super Teacher award. Although **all** of the teachers at LMES deserve to win, no one can win without your nominations; so please take a minute to nominate one or more of the teachers at www.vasuperteacher.com!! More details are on page 3.



I would like to thank all of the volunteers who came out and helped with Donuts for Dad. We hope your student and the adult enjoyed the donuts from Papa In's but more importantly, enjoyed their time together.

Even though it is February, we have to begin to think about next school year. The PTA is looking for many volunteers to fill positions on the board. If you are interested in either the board or the executive board, please let us know ASAP. I will be happy to answer any questions regarding positions and what is involved. Email me anytime at jgmiller77@hotmail.com.

Sincerely,
Jaime Miller
PTA President



Digital Citizenship:

As parents and educators, it is our joint responsibility to keep the children in our care safe. We all teach our children about strangers, ways to be safe in the house, and how to cross a street safely. These are critical lessons for children, and we naturally teach these vital skills. However, with technology and the digital world as the “new normal”, we need to think about internet safety and assisting our children with becoming responsible users of the technology at their fingertips.

All Hanover County Public Schools teach a course on Digital



Citizenship in 5th Grade. This course is designed to teach students the following concepts: HCPS Acceptable Use Policy, Social Media and the Code of Conduct, Online Etiquette, Cyberbullying, Plagiarism, website evaluation and the importance of citing sources. These concepts are intentionally taught to all grade 5 students, but some aspects may be taught to younger students if the need arises.

In addition to the concepts taught at school, parents should utilize a recommended website to assist them in monitoring the safe use of technology in the home. A recommended website is Common Sense Media (www.commonsensemedia.org). This website is dedicated to providing adults with unbiased information about media and technology that may be in use in our homes. This is an excellent resource to assist parents living in this digital age. It provides information about games, apps, TV shows, websites, books, music, and movies. Take a few minutes to review this free resource. I am sure that you will find it to be a valuable tool.



3rd Grade SOL Tests:

Tuesday, May 23rd – Reading, Part I
Wednesday, May 24th – Reading, Part II
Wednesday, May 31st – Math, Part I
Thursday, June 1st – Math, Part II

4th Grade SOL Tests:

Thursday, May 18th – Reading, Part I
Friday, May 19th – Reading, Part II
Monday, May 22nd – VA Studies
Tuesday, June 6th – Math, Part I
Wednesday, June 7th – Math, Part II

5th Grade SOL Tests:

Tuesday, May 16th – Reading, Part I
Wednesday, May 17th – Reading, Part II
Thursday, May 25th – Math, Part I
Friday, May 26th – Math, Part II
Friday, June 2nd – Science

6th Grade SOL Test:

Thursday, May 25th – Math

* * SOL Make-ups will occur throughout the testing window from May 17th – June 9th.

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









LMES Library News:

Don't forget that you can access the Virtual Library from home at:






<http://hanoverschools.follettdestiny.com>

Upcoming Events:

-  Friday, February 3rd
Reading Olympics meeting
-  February 13th-17th
Mystery Reader Week
-  Thursday, February 16th 7:50-8:30 am
Reading Olympics practice
-  Tuesday, February 21st
Richmond Nutzy bookmarks come home
-  February 27th - March 3rd - Read Across America Week and Celebrate Dr. Seuss
-  Tuesday, February 28th
Author/Illustrator Jamie Cosley visits LMES



Read Across America Week Events:

-  **Monday:** Wear Green Day
- Tuesday:** Hat Day 
-  **Wednesday:** Wear Stripes Day
- Thursday:** Mismatch Sock Day 
-  **Friday:** Book Character Dress-Up Day



We will be collecting **BOXTOPS** and Campbell's Labels for Education on



Friday, February 10th, so get clipping and send them in to your child's teacher!

Get your LMES Yearbook today!

Please visit www.yearbookordercenter.com and enter school order number 10058 to order your copy. The price is \$25.00. Please contact Theresa Smither at tsmither@hcps.us or Claude Lundquist at clundquist@hcps.us with any questions.



yearbook

Nominate a **Super Teacher!**

Please consider nominating an outstanding LMES or any K-12 public school teacher for the Virginia Lottery Super Teacher

Award, and they could win \$2,000 cash and \$2,000 from The Supply Room Companies for classroom supplies. Please visit

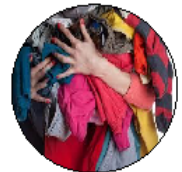
www.vasuperteacher.com

for the nomination form by Friday, February 13th.



Virginia Lottery
Super Teacher!

Laurel Meadow Elementary School is participating in the **Clothing To Cash Recycling Program**
Clean Out Your Closet & Help our School Raise Money!



Laurel Meadow Elementary will be paid for every pound we collect. All materials will be Reworn, Repurposed or finally Recycled.

Look for the large white collection bin in the school parking lot. The goal is to **FILL** our collection bin **WEEKLY** with as many **PLASTIC BAGS** of clothing, shoes and other textiles as possible!



Help Support Our School & Save The Environment One Bag At A Time.



We want items in **ALL** conditions, unwanted, outgrown and out of style.

We accept the following:

- All Clothing** (New and Used Women's, Men's and Children's, Clothing, Coats, etc.)
- All Footwear** (Shoes, Sneakers, Boots, Cleats, etc.)
- Textiles** (Bedding, Sheets, Blankets, Towels)
- Accessories** (Handbags, Backpacks, Gloves, Scarves, Jewelry, Wallets)
- Toys** (Stuffed Animals)

We Do Not Accept:
Furniture, Food, Foam Cushions or Plastic items

FEBRUARY 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Faculty Meeting	2	3 RO Team Mtg. 7:50-8:15 am Jersey Day	4
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12	13	14 	15	16 Reading Olympics Practice	17	18 
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Advertise YOUR company!

<http://lmes5k.weebly.com/>

Become a business partner for the LMES

ROCK 'N ROLL 5K & FUN RUN

Contact Alicia Broughton at abroughton@hcps.us to partner with LMES or if you have any questions.



At Laurel Meadow,

I respect myself and others.
I have the power to make good choices.
I am responsible for my learning.
I have pride in my school.



Join us for Spirit Night at Ashland Skateland Skate Night

**Tuesday, February 21st
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**



Have you **LOST** anything?
We have **FOUND** lots of stuff!
Coats, hats,
lunchboxes,
gloves, and
jackets, oh my!



At the end of the year, all unclaimed items will be donated!