



Highland View's Children — Soaring to New Heights!

Principal's Page

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HVES Open House

On Thursday, February 23, 2012, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., HVES will hold an Open House for parents who will be sending or are considering sending their children (Grades K-5) to HVES in the fall. Ms. Dardarian will meet with prospective parents to discuss our current programs and answer questions. Parents will also have an opportunity to visit classrooms. This is a meeting for **parents only**. Those who plan to enroll a new kindergarten student will bring their child to Kindergarten Orientation later in the spring for enrollment and a classroom experience. Just as a reminder, the Maryland State Department of Education mandates that incoming kindergarten students must turn 5 years of age by September 1, 2012. Please spread the word and tell your neighbors about our Open House.

Healthy Drinks

It is not surprising to us that research shows that a healthy diet is not only important to students' physical health, but it is also an important ingredient to their academic success as well. A healthy diet includes not only eating healthy foods, but also drinking healthy beverages. Our staff is committed to assisting students with making healthier choices and therefore, soda is not permitted in the cafeteria as a lunch beverage. We ask parents to please refrain from sending soda drinks to school. Milk and water are available for purchase in the cafeteria. Thank you for your cooperation.

Hats Off to Dr. Seuss

In honor of Read Across America Day, a day when the nation celebrates Dr. Seuss's birthday, Highland View students will be participating in a variety of activities that will continue to foster their love of reading. On **Friday, March 2nd**, which is Dr. Seuss's birthday, we will host **Hats Off to Dr. Seuss Guest Reader Day**. Students will have an opportunity to listen to a favorite Dr. Seuss story read by a volunteer from our community and to see how the love of reading extends beyond the walls of Highland View.

2012-2013 School Year Calendar Now Available

For those ready to look ahead, please visit <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/info/calendars/future/> to see the nearly complete 2012-2013 school year calendar. Two early release days (one in the fall and one in the spring) will be scheduled and added to the calendar at a later date.

IMPORTANT DATES

February 14

Classroom Valentine Parties @ 2:15 p.m.

February 20

No School—Presidents' Day

February 23

HVES Open House for Prospective Families (Gr. K-5) @ 10:00 a.m.

March 2

Early Release Day—Students Dismissed at 1:00 p.m.
Read Across America Day!
Guest Reader Day!
School Spirit Day—Crazy Socks

March 5–9

MSA Spirit Week - More information to follow soon!

March 6

PTA Meeting @ 7:15 p.m.

March 8 & 9

Hearing and Vision Screening for kindergarten and new students

March 9

MSA Pep Rally (Grades 3-5) @ 2:15 p.m.

March 12–21

Maryland School Assessment for Grades 3-5

March 15 & 16

Grade 1 Field Trip to the Kingsley Environmental Center