

# Triadelphia Ridge

## Retriever Report 5/19/17

### A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear TRES Families,

We have had a busy, yet rewarding week at TRES. Our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students did an outstanding job during our Simulated Congressional Hearing event on Wednesday. The students were prepared, poised, and truly represented our school well in front of all of our esteemed judges. I would like to thank the fifth grade team and all of the fifth grade parents for your support of this amazing experience.

Our second grade students had the opportunity to visit Piney Run Nature Center, and third graders had Forest Day and a visit from the Zoo Mobile, from the Baltimore Zoo. All of the students really seemed to enjoy these enriching experiences.

Finally, we had an amazing Enrichment Fair and Art Show last night. Thank you to all of the families and staff members who attended the event. The student projects and performances were outstanding.

Sincerely,

Lisa R. Smithson

Principal

Triadelphia Ridge Elementary School

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### IMPORTANT DATES

May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade- Middle School Visitation
May 23 <sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00 p.m.	Spring Band Concert
May 24 <sup>th</sup>	Community Hero's Day
May 25 <sup>th</sup> @ 9:30 a.m.	Kindergarten End of Year Show
May 25 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip- Robinson Nature Center
May 26 <sup>th</sup>	Field Day
May 29 <sup>th</sup>	No School- Memorial Day
May 31 <sup>st</sup> @ 7:00 p.m.	Spring Orchestra Concert
June 1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade- Poetry Café
June 6 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade- End of Year Picnic
June 7 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade- End of Year Picnic
June 7 <sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m.	Choral Concert
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Kindergarten- End of Year Picnic

June 8 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade- Author Share and End of Year Picnic
June 9 <sup>th</sup> @ Centennial Park- West	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade- End of Year Picnic
June 9 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade- End of Year Picnic
June 13 <sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 a.m.	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade- Closing Ceremony
June 14 <sup>th</sup>	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

## **TRES News:**

**COMMUNITY HERO'S DAY:** The TRES Student Council's final activity this year is a combined school spirit day and service project. On Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, students are encouraged to come to school dressed as their favorite community hero. They may choose to recognize police officers, firefighters, and our military officers, or wear red, white, and blue. We will also be accepting donations for the Wounded Warrior Project and for Mrs. Scholl's son who is currently serving in an isolated part of the world. Please see the attached document for detailed information on collection items: [Hero's DayService Project.docx](#)

**TRES FIELD DAY 2017:** This is a friendly reminder from Miss Short and Mrs. Lewis that **Field Day is only one week away (Friday, May 26)!** We are still accepting volunteers at this time. It is necessary to have this large number of volunteers in order to have a full-day event. **If you are planning to volunteer but you have not yet signed up, please go to the following link ASAP.**

<https://goo.gl/forms/fWmydJX4tjOAXZL53>

Thank you to those parents who have already signed up. As always, we deeply appreciate the support we get from our TRES community. This school wide event could never be a success without your help.

**FIELD DAY LUNCH:** If your child(ren) plans to purchase lunch on Field Day (Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>), they will receive a bag lunch, provided by the cafeteria which will include:

***Chicken Patty w/ roll, Bag Apples, Bag Carrots, Milk***

**ATTENTION 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FAMILIES:** Along with interim reports being sent home on 5/24/17, you will receive a list of middle school **course placement requests** which have been communicated to Folly Quarter Middle School. Course placement requests are based on your child's current performance using instructional levels, course grades, state and local testing results, gifted and talented testing protocols, and demonstrated academic behaviors. Performing Arts requests are based on the selection you previously submitted in March. Questions about specific placement aspects should be directed to your child's homeroom teacher. If there are questions about the middle school program, please contact FQMS staff at 410-313-1506.

**TICK CHECK:** It has been reported that there is an increased presence of ticks in our area. Please be sure engage in regular tick checks, especially if your children have been playing in grassy areas.

**PARCC AND MAP TESTING:** The PARCC Testing Window began on April 24<sup>th</sup> and closes on June 6<sup>th</sup>. The MAP Testing Window began on May 1<sup>st</sup> and ends on June 9<sup>th</sup>. Attached, you will find the testing schedule for TRES. Please do all that you can to ensure that your student attends school on their designated testing days. If they are absent, they will complete testing during a designated make-up session, which may cause them to miss classroom instruction. If you have any questions regarding PARCC or MAP Testing, please contact Assistant Principal, Heather Moraff at [Heather\\_Moraff@hcpss.org](mailto:Heather_Moraff@hcpss.org). [SpringTestingSchedule16.17.docx](#)

**CLOTHING TO CASH RECYCLING BIN:** Are you spring-cleaning? Use our new Clothing to Cash recycling bin to help the environment and raise money for TRES at the same time! This program accepts clothing and textiles in any condition to donate, repurpose, or recycle – just place your materials in plastic bags before depositing in the bin located on the car loop!

**COUNSELING CORNER:** *A Wolf/Loving Wellness Tip (Offering periodic tips and strategies from School Counselor, Mrs. Wolf and School Psychologist, Dr. Loving):*

**MEDIA MATTERS: Return Your Media Books:** As the year begins to come to an end, please have your child(ren) search for and return their library media books. All books are due by Wednesday, May 31st. Notices for long overdue books will be sent home with progress reports. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ms. McVey or Ms. Royo at 410-313-2560 or [janice\\_mcvey@hcpss.org](mailto:janice_mcvey@hcpss.org). Thank you for your help!

**Books in Bloom:** In partnership with the Howard County Library System, Books in Bloom (the inaugural book festival presented by the Downtown Columbia Partnership) will launch the library's summer reading program, "Summer @ Your Library", and will include children's craft areas and storytime corner. This event takes place on Sunday, June 11th from noon to 5 pm at the Chrysalis in Merriweather Park at Symphony Woods. More details about the book festival may be found at <http://www.downtowncolumbiamd.com/books-in-bloom/>

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## **Community News:**

**For more Community News 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.