



HAWK TALK

Principal's Pen

Dear Parents,

The school year is flying by and we are especially grateful to you for assisting us. We have parents who supply food for our faculty meetings, parents who coach and teach enrichment classes. We have parents who serve on our PTO board and write grants. We have parents who work in the primary classrooms making centers and door decorations. We have parents who chaperone field trips and do clerical work.

We even have parents whose students have graduated who come back and give us their time and talent.

The teachers and I could not do it without you.

Thank you for all you do,
Sincerely,
Brad Schreiner



Fall Fest Activities

Mark your calendar -- Saturday, Nov. 2nd, is the annual MHMS Fall Fest. This school-wide celebration of the season begins at 10 a.m. with classroom games and activities, inflatables, fabulous food and fun for the entire family. The elementary gym will be home for the Shoppers Village (crafts and other vendors) as well as the Giving Tree and ABC Spirit Wear shop. Live and silent auctions will feature theme baskets and other treasures, and you won't want to miss the Cake Walk! A special musical performance by "Some Assembly Required" is planned, and the afternoon caps off with the annual Alumni Basketball Game, starting at 3 p.m. Information to pre-order tickets and wristbands will be sent home after Fall Break. Fall Fest is sponsored by the PTO and ABC. If you would like to volunteer to help make all this happen, e-mail PTOMHMS@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

- Oct 5th Walk Across Sunner 8:00am
- Oct 22nd Spirit Night Fox's Pizza
- Oct 29th & 31st Theatre Presentations
- Nov 2nd Fall Fest

Fall Fest Auction Baskets and Donations

Each class has been asked to contribute items towards baskets to be auctioned off. Below you will find the list of assigned baskets for each class/grade. If you have something to donate that would fit in with another grade's basket please donate it. Also, bring any additional donations (items or services) you might have. You are not limited to the baskets. Items should be brought in by Oct 18. Thank you for supporting MHMS! If you have any questions, please email rene-fields@hotmail.com.

- Duncan (K) – Crayola Arts
- Arwood (K) – Scrapbook
- Pinson (1) – Gift Cards
- Morgan (1) – Italian Night
- Brown (2) – Let's Go Camping!
- McCoy (2) – Gardening
- Watson (3) – Spa
- Caldwell (3) – Grilling/BBQ
- Lyons (4) – Dog and Cat Care
- Sloan (4) – Date Night
- Hutcherson (5) – Drive Thru Gift Cards
- Ryckley (5) – Girls Slumber Party
- 6th grade – Tailgating
- 7th grade – Duck Tape Crafts
- 8th grade – Home Improvement
- High School – Technology

Spirit Day at Fox's Pizza

MHMS will receive 20% of sales anytime that day during normal business hours on Tuesday, October 22nd. When ordering, please be sure to say you are with MHMS!! You can call in for pick up or have it delivered. Easy as PIE! Show your spirit and order your favorite pizza at Fox's. Thanks for your support!

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School Directories

School Directories have been printed!!!!

A directory will be sent home with a child from each family that has made a donation to the PTO.

If you have not made a family contribution this PTO year or you would like additional copies for \$10, please email Windy Robinson at windygayle70@hotmail.com.

Theatre Dept.

The theatre classes at MHMS will present "Uninvited Ghost" by Le Roma Greth (Heuer Publishing Company) and "Cheating Death" by Kamron Klitgaard (Pioneer Drama Service) on October 29th at 7:00 and the 31st during the school day.

Cheer Day Camp

The MHMS Varsity cheer squad will be hosting a cheer day camp for the Junior Hawk cheer squad. Any kindergarten through fifth grader can attend camp including friends and family. The camp will be held Saturday, November 9th at MHMS from 9am - 12pm. At this camp, the Junior Hawks will learn a dance and cheer. The Junior Hawks will showcase their hard work during halftime of the first home basketball game on Tuesday, November 12th. Each Junior Hawk will receive a "MHMS cheer" t-shirt that will be worn during the performance. A participation form will be sent home with students no later than Thursday, October 3rd. If interested, please return the completed participation form with payment (\$20) no later than Friday, October 18th to the front office. Please direct all questions to Coach Janelle Brooks at Janelle.brooks@sumnerschools.org. Go HAWKS!

Walk Across Sumner

October 5th at 7:45, Gallatin Civic Center. Please join in on the fun to help us win the competition against other elementary schools in the county. The school with the highest percentage (based on enrollment) of participation will win. All you have to do is show up at the Civic Center on October 5th. Last year we won second place.

Basketball

Girls basketball practice begins on Oct. 28. Conditioning will begin Oct. 14 for those not currently playing a fall sport.

Absence Rules

- Absences require a written note from the parent or more formal documentation in order to be excused. A parent note or physician's excuse note must be turned in to the classroom teacher (for elementary students) and to the office (for middle and high school students) when the student returns to school.

- A student is allowed five (5) days of parent notes per semester. All other absences require formal documentation to consider the student's absence excused.
- All vacations/trips must have prior approval from the principal.

High School Students:

- TCA 49-6-3017(f) Any student under 18 years of age...who has more than 10 consecutive or 15 total days unexcused in a semester shall not be considered as making satisfactory academic progress and the student's motor vehicle driver license shall be suspended; or if the student does not have a motor vehicle driver license, the student shall be ineligible to obtain a motor vehicle driver license until the student reaches 18 years of age.

Elementary Career Day

- On Friday, September 20th, the elementary students took part in their Career Day experience. Over 20 different presenters came and taught exciting lessons about their professions. We had many occupational fields represented including medical, business, engineering, science, graphic arts, music and deaf education.

- This event would not have been a success without the help of many individuals. Mrs. Jenny Howard would like to thank these groups for their efforts: our parent professionals for their wonderfully prepared presentations, our outstanding PTO hospitality committee, and our great faculty and staff. We could not have done it without you! We also received many compliments regarding our students' behavior, manners, and great questions. Thank you students!

- Mrs. Jenny Howard would like to send a special thank you out to Deputy Smith, Sharon Fleming, and Brian Howard whose assistance helped our day flow smoothly. It was a great day for everyone!

Honor Society

Congratulations to the 36 new National Honor Society members who were inducted at a formal ceremony on September 30th. To initially qualify for membership a student must be a Junior with a GPA of 3.9 or a Senior with a GPA of 3.8. The student must also meet requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and character as determined by our Faculty Council.

Hannah Anderson
Raven Bentley
Jake Boomer
Nathan Bowen
Autumn Bruce
Denise Buliga
Annika Coley
Noah Coomer
Jordan Coppack
Abby Custred
Rose Daugherty
Derek Devries
Brianna Fiala
Dylan Green
Ashley Jones
Joyce Lee
Jade Liwag
Max Manayan
Emily McAndrew
David McCoy
Kiley Meloan
Ricky Pigg
Autumn Puckett
Tacomas Rich
Gabrielle Salamone
Susan Schickling
Maxen Schmanski
Neil Shimer
Hannah Sisler
Valerie Skeith
Sarah Stone
Trevor Talmadge
Marton Varga
Mary Welch
Callie Williams
Adam Withrow

3rd Grade Guest Speaker

- Third grade began their unit of study on Communities by welcoming Brenda Payne, President and CEO of Hendersonville Chamber of Commerce, as their guest speaker. Mrs. Payne was enthusiastic about sharing her wealth of knowledge about the area she loves, Hendersonville, TN.
- Mrs. Payne began with the history of the area by going back 225 years ago when long hunters first discovered the area as an excellent area to hunt. Rock Castle was the first home of the Daniel Smith family, and Hendersonville remained a rural community until the Corp decided to build Old Hickory dam for flood control creating Old Hickory Lake. This caught the attention of musicians and entertainers from Nashville who loved the privacy, lake area, and convenience to Nashville and began to move into the area. Hendersonville was chartered in 1969.
- Mrs. Payne told students about current planning for our area, as well as former and existing government officials. She also explained how city officials help keep Hendersonville clean, safe, and beautiful.
- When asked about some of the most important events to ever happen in Hendersonville, she responded that the creation of Merrol Hyde Magnet School was a proud achievement for the city. The hospital being built here in 1971, and the development of the Indian Lake area also earned honorable mentions.



The Portrait of Hendersonville, a magazine published by the chamber, was given to all the third graders. On the front cover was former Hendersonville resident Taylor Swift, and on p. 20 were familiar faces to MHMS, Mrs. Schreiner and Mrs. Hunter, accepting the Blue Ribbon School award from Dr. Phillips.

Family Donations

It is a tradition at MHMS to ask parents for a donation of \$100 per child per year instead of turning our kids into salespersons to benefit the PTO. Many families made the donation at Registration, and for that we say, "Thank You!" If you have not yet made your contribution, you may send it in with your child in a sealed envelope addressed to MHMS PTO. Please indicate your student(s) name(s) and grade(s) on the memo line. If you would like to pay with a credit card, please contact PTO Treasurer Cass Condra at casscondra@comcast.net
