

HALYN'S HERALD



**THE Hockessin
Montessori**
SCHOOL
Educating For Life 12 Months - 8th Grade



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the Sherrier Family!

Joseph joined our Children's House 2 classroom last week. Welcome to HMS, we're so glad you're here!



Winter Tubing and Skiing Event set for February 20th!

Several families have expressed interested in Tubing and Skiing next month. Saturday, February 20th will be a full day of skiing and tubing at Blue Mountain in The Poconos.

Skiing is available for children, ages 7-14 and tubing is offered to children 3 feet and up. As long as our group is more than 15 people we will qualify for the discounted rates. The cost of an all day skiing pass for children ages 7-18 is \$34.00 and adults is \$42 (these prices exclude ski rental); the cost of tubing is \$25 per person (all ages). Registration deadline is Thursday, February 4th. If you have questions or would like to register/RSVP, please contact HMS Parent, Joanne Shaver at Joanne.Shaver@Verizon.net or you can contact Jill at jmarine@thehms.org. A special thank you to Joanne for organizing and planning the event, it sounds like a great day of family fun!

HMS Hawks Basketball Season is in full swing!

Our Upper Elementary students make up our team of Hockessin Hawks this year. Their first game was last Thursday against Centerville and our team won the game! Mark your Calendar and come Cheer on our team!



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Nikil Patel
Toddler 2

Kaycie Tirador
Children's House 2

Caroline Willey
Children's House 3

Nyle Patel
Children's House 3

Sky Gommeren
Children's House 4

Ella Ygfeldt-Smith
Lower Elementary 1

Aidra DeBlasio
Upper Elementary

Jack Warren
Upper Elementary

Kristin Lucente
Extended Care Director

Alison Gaito
Lower Elementary 1
Head Teacher

Monday, January 25th

Home Game with Wilmington Montessori at 3:40PM

Wednesday, January 27th

Away Game at Centreville at 3:40PM

Tuesday, February 9th

Away Game at Wilmington Montessori at 3:45PM

Wednesday, February 17th

Home Game with Wilmington Montessori at 3:40PM

Friday, February 19th

Students vs Staff Basketball Game at HMS at 6:00PM



PARENT OBSERVATION WEEK

PARENT'S CORNER

FOR SALE

Pottery Barn Sleigh Crib
for sale (Honey Color).
Comes with conversion kit
for Toddler bed, a double
sided mattress (1st side
for up to 1 year and 2nd
side is for Toddler, has air
vents and is very firm, top
rated by Consumer
Reports) from Closiks, and
a cat net. Call Caroline at
302-234-1240 or email:

Monday, January 25 - Friday, January 29, 8:00AM - 11:00AM each day

Parents are invited to visit HMS and observe your child at work in their classroom or observe the next program level for your child. This is a time for parents to quietly sit inside your child's classroom to observe them at work in the Montessori environment. Please understand this is not a time to interact with the teachers or children, but solely an opportunity to "observe."

In addition, if you were not able to attend the November evening "Making the Transition Seminars", HMS is offering additional morning seminars during this week.

Tuesday, January 26, 8:30AM to 9:30AM

Learn about the Children's House Program

cmouldsdale@thehms.org.
Cost \$350. Value: \$1200.

FOR SALE

Burley solo bike trailer
in great condition (tires have no wear). It has the bug screen cover and clear plastic cover, safety harness and storage area behind seat. It easily attaches to the rear of your bike frame. This trailer is rated for 60lbs. \$80.00 or BO. Call Dee at 302-521-0600.

PARENT EDUCATION CORNER

"Counting or Playing"

"All I hear about when Cindy gets home is how she played with Susan all day. She said they got the beads out today and sat at a rug and played."
...[CLICK HERE](#) to read more.

Wednesday, January 27, 8:15AM to 9:15AM

Learn about the Lower Elementary Program

Friday, January 29, 8:15AM to 9:15AM

Learn about the Upper Elementary Program

Parents are encouraged to attend Informational Sessions to learn what to expect as your child "Moves On" to the next program level. **This is the perfect opportunity to discuss the next level with the Program Teachers and to observe the next program level for your child.**

CALENDAR



for our updated
January School Calendar.

Fridays, 8:00AM

"The Wonder of Boys" Book Discussion Groups in the Library

Parents are invited to purchase the book for \$15 and then join Janette Henry and other parents to discuss the book - one chapter each week. Mark your calendars, the discussion groups are scheduled for 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/26, 4/16 and 4/23. Please send cash or a check (payable to HMS) to Janette if you are interested in participating.

Tuesday, January 26, 8:00-9:00AM

Upper EI Work Review and Continental Breakfast

Tuesday, January 26

Upper EI & Middle School Field Trip

Upper Elementary and Middle School students will enjoy a trip to The Playhouse in Dover to experience an interactive presentation of the play, CSI.

Friday, January 29, 10:00AM

HMS Science Olympiad Egg Drop

In this competition, Upper Elementary Students will be challenged to use specific materials (rubber bands, index cards, etc.) to create a device that will protect an egg that is dropped from 5 meters above. The two finalists will move on to the Science Olympiad at Saint Marks High school on February 6.

Monday, February 1 & Tuesday, February 2

Parent/Teacher Conferences, **SCHOOL CLOSED**

If you have not signed up for a Parent/Teacher Conference, please register soon with your child's teacher. Sign ups are being done online or a hard copy posted at the classroom door. Vacation Care is available for those who have pre-

registered.

Monday, February 1

Summer Adventures Camp registration begins! Watch for more information coming out soon.

Tuesday, February 2

Middle School Field Trip

Middle School field trip to the Holocaust Museum in Washington DC.

**Thursday, February 4, Drama Club Begins
and Tuesday, February 9, Dance Club Begins**

This year's performance will be "Willy Wonka & The Chocolate Factory." Registration information was emailed out this week; if you would like additional information or have questions, please contact Caroline at cmoulsdale@thehms.org.

ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN THANK YOU!

**WE ARE PLEASED TO THANK MANY OF OUR FAMILIES,
GRANDPARENTS, FRIENDS AND STAFF FOR
SUPPORTING OUR 2009-2010 ANNUAL CAMPAIGN.**

Middle School

- Paxson/Demarest Family, *HMS Family*
- Mersman Family, *HMS Family & Board Member*
- Joan Henry, *HMS Grandparent*
- Henry/DeBlasio Family, *HMS Family & Staff Member*

Upper Elementary

- Simonds Family, *HMS Family*
- Warren Family, *HMS Family*
- Silveira Family, *HMS Family*
- Sally Cochran, *HMS Grandparent*
- Vince & Nancy DiBenedetto, *HMS Grandparents*

Lower Elementary

- Agarwal Family, *HMS Family*
- Gimbutas Family, *HMS Family*
- Spizzo Family, *HMS Family*
- Ronald & Julie Anne Brown, *HMS Grandparents*
- Gilliam Family, *HMS Family & Staff Member*
- Klumpp Family, *HMS Family & Board Member*
- Brookler Family, *HMS Family*
- Hideko Willey, *HMS Grandparent*
- Anne Macdonald, *HMS Grandparent*

Children's House

- Kahlon Family, *HMS Family*
- Ahuja Family, *HMS Family & Staff Member*
- Marine Family, *HMS Family & Staff Member*
- Marchiani Family, *HMS Family & Staff Member*
- Mouldsdale Family, *HMS Family & Staff Member*
- Athey Family, *HMS Family*

Richard & Jervlyn Cherrin, *HMS Grandparents*

- Nash Family, *HMS Staff Members*
- Richard & Nancy Komacek, *HMS Grandparents*

Toddler

- Ronald & Densy Juvonen, *HMS Grandparents*

Alumni

- Nolan Family, *Alumni Family*
- Lucente Family, *Alumni Family & Board Member*
- Chitra Family, *Alumni Family & Board Member*
- Bennett Family, *Alumni Family & Past Board Member*

HMS Staff

- 100% participation by our HMS Teachers and Staff!

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT HMS?

Upper Elementary Community Service Project

Local author, Cindy Sardo, worked with our Upper Elementary Students to make Alphabet Soup for the Emmanuel Dining Room.





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Sincerely,
The Hockessin Montessori School

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