STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES: Student-Led Conferences will take place from November 25th through November 27th. As in the past, some teachers will offer late evening conferences on Monday, November 25th and Tuesday, November 26th. Families are encouraged to bring their student with them to conferences so that your family, with the help of your student’s teacher, can work together to set goals for the remainder of the school year. In order to schedule the perfect conference time for you and your family, you will need to log in to your Family File account on the HCPSS Connect website. Conference scheduling will open this Monday, November 11th. It will close on Friday, November 22nd at 12:00PM. Directions for scheduling your child’s conference were also sent home this week.

TURKEY TROT: Our second annual HHES Turkey Trot Fun Run is right around the corner. The event will take place on Thursday, November 21st, during your student’s grade level Related Arts time. Please remind students to wear sneakers and comfortable, weather appropriate clothing! We hope our students will enjoy this experience with their peers and feel proud of their participation. Please contact joshua_griffis@hcpss.org, ryan_hurd@hcpss.org, or kimberly_kennedy@hcpss.org with questions!

Turkey Trot Schedule (Start)
5th Grade: 9:15AM
4th Grade: 10:15AM
2nd Grade: 11:15AM
3rd Grade: 12:15PM
Kindergarten: 1:15PM

YOUNG AUTHORS CONTEST: Students in Grades 1-5 are invited to enter the Howard County Literacy Association’s Young Authors Contest! Students may write an original poem or short story. A short story entry must range between 100-400 words (gr. 1-2) and 300-800 words (gr. 3-5). A poem entry will consist of a single poem, any style, and must range between 25-150 words (all grade levels). No graphics. Each entry must include a completed cover sheet signed by the student author’s parent, which can be obtained by the student’s teacher. Young Authors Contest entries are due by 11/22.

BARKLEY’S FALL FOOD DRIVE: With fall comes the season of thankfulness! We are incredibly grateful to have such a caring school community. However, many of our Huskies will need support during the upcoming holiday season. Please help us collect non-perishable foods, so that we can support those in need within our Husky community. Each grade will collect a different non-perishable item to donate. Items will be collected through Wednesday, November 20th.

IDENT-A-KID IS RETURNING: The Ident-A-Kid Safety Program will return to HHES on Friday, 11/22/2019. If you are interested in participating, please stop by the front office for an envelope, or payment can be submitted online at https://identakid.com/kjackson-pay/. Please note that ONLY students who have completed the Ident-A-Kid application form will be participating in this program on 11/22/2019.

ATTENDANCE INFORMATION: Please remember, without written notification of reason for absence or tardiness, the student attendance record will remain unexcused. Please send a note to your student’s teacher. You may also send notes to the attendance secretary, at melanie_facchiano@hcpss.org. All students who enter the building after 8:50am MUST be signed in by a parent or guardian! An email with more info recently went out to families.

KIDS NIGHT OUT: SPONSORED BY OKINAWAN DOJO: Our business partner, The Okinawan Karate Dojo, is hosting two amazing nights for our kids! Register NOW for their Kid’s Nights Out! Nerf Wars on Nov 15th includes: agility courses, individual and team-based Nerf Competitions, prize-winning opportunities, dinner and more! Okinawan will supply the safety and Nerf equipment! Retro Video Game Night on Dec 13th will be a night of fun, old-school video games! Leave yours at home! The dojo will have plenty of gaming stations and consoles! (Nintendo Classic, SNES Classics, Nintendo 64, XBox 360, Nintendo Wii, etc.) Prizes and Contests for individual and team high scores! For Questions or Registration into either/both events, visit www.okdkarate.com and click on "Camps and PNOs", or call 443 574 8999. (Ages 6-13.)