

# Hope-Hill Happenings

ISSUE NO. 8

**MAY 2022** 



# **CALENDAR**

May 2-13 GMAS Testing

May 18 (Wednesday) No Place for Hate assembly

May 19 (Thursday)
Field Day for PreK through 2nd Grade

May 20 (Friday)
Field Day for 3rd through 5th Grade

May 24 (Tuesday)

Awards Day for Kindergarten through 4th Grade (Ticket Required)

May 25 (Wednesday)
Awards Day for Pre-K (Ticket Required)

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May 26 (Thursday) Last Day of School for 2021-22 Awards Day for 5th Grade (Ticket Required)

**June 1-30**Midtown Summer Academy at Springdale Park

August 1 (Monday)
First Day of School for 2022-23

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# FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

As we wind down the last 16 days of school, things will be busy, but we will continue teaching and learning until the very end! I would like to thank you for another wonderful and productive school year. I can't thank everyone enough for your endless hours of volunteering, organizing, donating, and doing whatever was necessary to support students—both at home and at school. Special thanks to our PTA who, as usual, went above and beyond the call of duty to provide whatever was necessary to add to our teachers' and students' already rich school experience. When we return in the fall, our students will enter in to completely renovated classroom spaces in our K-3 classrooms, Media Center, STEM Lab and Active Learning Lab. We are looking forward to this exciting upgrade!

A final word to Hope-Hill students: Thank you for all your hard work throughout the school year. I am so honored to be your principal; you make me proud to be a Hope-Hill Eagle. You keep me laughing and young at heart. I am grateful for your joy, insights, and amazing talents. Best wishes to our fifth graders, whom I will miss greatly—please come back and visit. I hope everyone has a safe and happy summer break.

Until next school year, here's wishing you love, laughter, and learning.

Maureen Wheeler



### ARTIST ACCOLADES

Congratulations to **Alix LaGuerre** (3rd Grade) for winning THIRD PLACE in the district- wide Fertile Ground Student Art show and **Bryn Owens** (3rd Grade) for an HONORABLE MENTION. The artwork

was selected from 183 submissions by Omari Henderson, partner of Zucot Gallery, to be on display at Blue Heron Nature Preserve for the month of May. There will be an opening on Monday, May 9th from 6-8pm. Congratulations also to **London Layne** (3rd grade), **Tecorey Hightower** (3rd grade), **Naomi Wu** (2nd grade), and **Milan Magee** (2nd grade) whose artwork will be included in a digital art show highlighting APS' collaboration with Zucot and Blue Heron.

### **GO TEAM**

Dear Hope-Hill Community,



Thank you for your grace and perseverance as the students returned to in-person instruction for 2021-22. You have made it possible for the elected volunteers of your GoTeam to support our school. Some accomplishments are listed below:

The vision and strategic plan for Hope-Hill was updated.

 The budget for 2022/23 was approved and we appear to be fortunate to have growing enrollment which allows us to maintain the funding and programs we currently have at the school.

 STE(A)M was supported by the Midtown Cluster schools as our signature program.

 Along with the PTA, the committee advocated for our community in the future of the Inman building process.

 GoTeam meetings and actions were conducted with civility and mutual respect. We know it has been a turbulent year for communities which sometimes have spilled over into school public meetings. We're proud of how the team and community has conducted itself.

If possible, please take the time to thank our GoTeam members who have fulfilled their terms on the committee: Pam Moss, Monica Jones, Alicia Cole, Keisha Killebrew, Greg Stender and Jocelyn Alter.

Thank you and see you next year,

Alex Wu GoTeam Chair (2020-22)

# HOPE-HILL FOUNDATION

We're back! The O4W5K will be returning this year on June 11, 2022. There is both an inperson and virtual option, so be sure to share the registration link with family and friends all over the country! Participants can run or walk. All proceeds from the race go to the Hope-Hill Elementary Foundation.





Hope-Hill Foundation spirit wear will be available to purchase very soon. Watch out for a link on the Hope-Hill website and social media platforms.



## **EARTH DAY**

Ms. Dorsey's 1st graders and their parents helped beautify our school on Earth Day by building new raised beds and planting flowers. Thank you!!





# ## MATH

Ahh, summer.

A time for catching fireflies, trips to the pool and firing up the grill, and the list goes on and on. Let's face it, while a lot of people know that math is fun, it can often be a bit of a struggle to convince children to think so too! One great option to support your child this summer that is engaging and fun to do with the whole family is BOARD GAMES! I want to encourage every family to play board games at least once a week. Look at the five board games below that reinforce math skills:

1. CandyLand- Matching, counting, following directions, identifying patterns, and matching are all included in playing Candy Land.

2. Monopoly- Monopoly is filled with math lessons. It can teach kids how to add, subtract, and even multiply through using fake money to buy imaginary properties.

3. PayDay- Payday is a classic game that is perfect for working on addition, subtraction, and money concepts.

4. Yahtzee- Strategy and addition are key when playing Yahtzee. Mental math at its best!

5. Chutes and Ladders- This game is jammed- packed with math skills. Students will count forwards or backwards, one to one correspondence and identifying numbers up to 100.

One last thing, please continue to work on these math skills:

- PK Count to 100
- K Count to 120 and fluently add and subtract within 10.
- 1st Counting dimes and pennies and adding and subtracting within
- 2nd Adding and subtracting fluently within 20, knowing how to regroup when adding and subtracting whole numbers within 100, and telling time
- 3rd Get those multiplication facts and division facts memorized. Add and subtract within 1,000
- 4th Add/subtract within 1,000,000. Get those multiplication facts and division facts memorized.
- 5th Multiply 3 by 2 digit and 2 digits by 2-digit numbers. -Get those multiplication facts and division facts memorized.

Have a Great Summer-Keep Counting and Go OUTSIDE AND PLAY

## **ELA**

It's been one amazing year in the literacy world at HHES! As of April 30, Hope-Hill logged over 507,000 minutes! That's almost 200,000 minutes over our goal, and the year isn't even over! A few other Hope-Hill highlights were making it to the Final Four of the March Minutes Madness reading competition; second grader, Naomi Wu's poem was published in the International Rose Garden, and our first annual Literacy Fun Day occurred on February 22. Next year will prove to be even better. Hope-Hill will participate in the Young Georgia Author's writing competition, the Scripps National Spelling Bee, and the Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl!

As you prepare for a well-deserved summer break, please be sure to continue to read and write every day! How many books can you read within each genre (fiction, nonfiction, poetry, drama, or folktale)? How many different texts can you write? Is there a book you'd like to read as family? Be on the lookout for suggested booklists. Parents, be sure to sign up for Camp Book-It, which will allow your child to earn a free pizza in June, July, and August!

Remember to read for at least 20 minutes each day! https://www.bookitprogram.com/book-it-for-parents

### LOST AND FOUND

So many lost coats wanting to go home for the summer! Please have your students check the lost and found for missing clothes. These items will be repurposed at the end of May.



### GIFTED ELIGIBILITY

First Look students who were referred for testing this 21-22 SY were assessed in the January-March timeframe. All parents will be notified of eligibility by May 10th.

### **MEDIA CENTER**



The Media Center has transitioned to check-ins only for the remainder of the school year. Please return checked out books to the library as soon as possible. However, students can always leave with something new to read, by looking through our "giveaway" books or visiting our Little Free Library on Irwin Street.

Looking for some good summer reading for your students? Scan the QR Code for some suggestions offered by APS:





For rising 4th and 5th grade students who are interested in participating in the Reading Bowl, please have your student read 2 from the list pictured



### STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FOR APRIL

Moreno- Yoav Shacham Trahan- Ayden Smith

#### Kindergarten

Brown- Reese Hill Cobb- Braxton Glass Killebrew- Dior Glover Smith- Mateo Jimenez Fries- Wesley Clark

#### 1st Grade

Callender- Kamryn North Curtis- Nadia Sewell **Dorsey-** Ella Brothers

#### **2nd Grade**

Harper- Milan Magee Turner- Kyre Hairston Williams- Te'Riya Belcher

#### 3rd Grade

**Hodges-** Bryn Owens Taylor- Hunter Copeland Walther- Patrick Thomas

#### 4th Grade

Dallman- Asia Williams Holmes- Robert Aycock Watkins- Ta'mar Ross

#### 5th Grade

**Currie-** Victor Schloss **Ellis-** Tyrone Smith Lyle- Maddison Roberts











