

OWL OBSERVER NEWS- December 18, 2020

Important Dates to Remember

- December 21st - Winter wishes for my teacher
- December 22rd - Pajama Day & Winter Chat & Chew Lunch Bunches
- December 24th-January 1st - Winter Break- schools closed
- January 4th- School Reopens, Happy New Year!

A Message from Administration:

Dear Families,

First and foremost, we would like to say thank you to our students, parents, and community members for all of their support during these challenging times. We are so fortunate to live in a community that rallies together with support for each other. We are certainly looking forward to the time when we are together again in our beautiful school building. However, as we continue with virtual learning in January, we cannot stress enough the importance of student engagement in both synchronous and asynchronous learning.

Have a wonderful weekend.
Mrs. Balter and Mrs. Madden

Counselor Corner

Before we wish everyone a wonderful winter break, we wanted to remind students and families of our last two days of DLES Winter Cheer!

Monday, December 21- 3 Well Wishes for My Teacher

Tuesday, December 22- Pajama Day and Winter Chat and Chew Lunch Bunches

Our Winter Chat and Chew Lunch Bunches will give students the opportunity to have a special lunch bunch with their grade level peers. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Winter Cheer Chat and Chew Times / Codes

- **11:30 - 12:00**
 - RECC - Google Meet Code: DLESRECC
 - Kindergarten - Google Meet Code: DLESKLunch
 - 1st Grade - Google Meet Code: DLES1Lunch
- **12:00 - 12:30**

- 2nd Grade - Google Meet Code: DLES2Lunch
- 3rd Grade - Google Meet Code: DLES3Lunch
- 4th Grade - Google Meet Code: DLES4Lunch
- 5th Grade - Google Meet Code: DLES5Lunch

We look forward to seeing everyone at our Chat & Chew Lunch Bunches.

Mrs. Tobin

Healthy Tips from the Health Room

Healthy tip from the health room: Many children do not get the recommended doses of fruits and vegetables. Research has shown, intake of fruits and veggies can boost the immune system! Try and add a fruit or veggie to every meal or snack.

Upcoming COVID-19 Community Testing: **Howard Community College - West Garage**

10650 Hickory Ridge Road, Columbia 21044

(from Hickory Ridge Rd. turn onto Campus Dr.)

Saturday, Dec. 19, 2020 | Noon – 4 p.m.

[click here](#) for more details

The health room has added more info and resources for the DLES community, check it out on the website or click [DLES health](#)

Contact diann_rocha@hcpss.org or alicia_fleischer@hcpss.org for health room assistance.

2019-2020 Yearbooks

Ducketts Lane Elementary still has 2019-2020 Yearbooks available. If you attended Ducketts Lane Elementary last school year and would like to purchase a Yearbook, the cost is \$10.00. Please make the check made payable to Ducketts Lane Elementary School. To purchase a Yearbook please bring your check to the front vestibule at DLES, call the school at 410-313-5050 to let them know you are there, and a staff member will bring you a yearbook. Please come to DLES between 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. We have a limited number of Yearbooks for sale.

PTA News

New PTA Website **EXCITING NEWS!!!** The PTA has a new website! Check us out at <http://dlespta.org>. There, you can see what we're up to for 2020-2021, sign up for our **BRAND NEW** newsletter, and stay connected!

Join the PTA Sign up for PTA today! Please consider joining the DLES PTA, when you become a member you are supporting students and teachers at DLES as well as the nation. Each voice makes the PTA louder when advocating for what they need. Please go to [Ducketts Lane PTA](#) on facebook or use the following link (you

will need to type the link into the search bar, we are having technical issues with clicking the link
<https://forms.gle/zCbcPMoHTrYVNnsb8>

Pasta Fundraiser Our PTA is excited to announce a new fundraiser! Shop FUN PASTA's amazing collection of (you guessed it!) FUN pasta now through April 1st and help support our school!

<https://bit.ly/dlesptafunpasta>

To register as a seller please use join code TDCCZJ.

We are here to help!

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