

# OWL OBSERVER NEWS- February 19, 2021

## Important Dates to Remember

- February 24th- Oakland Mills High School Food Pantry, 3:00pm-5:00 p.m.
- February 25th- Schools close 3 hours early for students
- February 26th- Schools close 3 hours early for students
- March 1st- New Schedule Begins
- March 9th - Si, Se Puede Event, 6:00pm-7:30pm
- March 24th- Ledo Pizza Night

## A Message from Administration

Dear Families,

As you are aware, HCPSS will begin a new schedule on March 1st to support in-person and virtual learning. Our DLES schedule will come out in the next few days. Your child's teacher will share a more detailed schedule with you that includes google codes for days your child will receive instruction virtually. In addition, if your child will be attending in-person in one of the hybrid choices, info about the days your child will attend will be sent out next week.

Also, below is the link to information from the HCPSS website. Please reach out to an administrator if you have additional questions.

<https://help.hcpss.org/in-person-students>

If your child will be coming to school in-person, we have some suggestions to help him/her prepare for coming into the building.

- Consider having your child begin to wear his/her mask at home for longer periods of time. He/she will wear a mask for almost 7 hours on days they go to school.
- Consider purchasing a lanyard that can connect to his/her mask to allow it to hang when they are eating. This will help so your child doesn't misplace the mask.
- Review social distancing expectations. We will be using these at all times at school.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs. Balter and Mrs. Madden

## Counselor Corner

Please take a few minutes to check out the [DLES February School Counseling Connection Newsletter!](#) This is a great resource for students and parents to read together. Included in the School Counseling Connection newsletter are celebrations, activities for home as well as self-care ideas. Newsletters will be created and shared bi-monthly.

## Healthy Tips from the Health Room

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](mailto:diann_rocha@hcpss.org) or [alicia\\_fleischer@hcpss.org](mailto:alicia_fleischer@hcpss.org) for health room assistance.

## 2019-2020 Yearbooks- ONLY 25 LEFT!!

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

**Paint Party** Join Ducketts Lane Elementary School PTA for a virtual paint party to include live, interactive and guided instructions. Your order includes a link to access the live event and a paint kit to include all supplies needed for the event.

Already have paint supplies but would still like to participate in the event? Order the Access ONLY pass to receive a link to the live event to join in on the fun. *Supplies not included.*

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

2-4 PM

Virtual Paint Party. Supplies included.

COST:

Paint Kit: \$20 per kit (Includes event access & paint supplies. \$5 discount for second kit)

Access ONLY Pass: \$5 (One pass per family. Includes event access ONLY. *Supplies not included*)

Order you paint kit OR Access ONLY pass at: <https://forms.gle/7dmAE5JVrVgVLV7B8>

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### PAINT PORTRAIT



DLES PTA

For questions about this event please contact Natasha Boston, DLES PTA at  
[nsbevents.info@gmail.com](mailto:nsbevents.info@gmail.com)

**Black History Month** The Ducketts Lane PTA is planning a walk through exhibit this February to honor African Americans in celebration of Black History Month. We are asking students (siblings and family members welcome) to help us create the exhibit by coloring a page featuring a famous African American from history. Coloring pages can be picked up from the school inside the doors during school hours, printed from the PTA website (<https://dlespta.org/events/blackhistorymonth/>) or created by you at home. Finished pages should be dropped in the PTA box inside the school by February 8th.

Starting February 11th families are invited to walk around the outside of the school to view pages that will be displayed in the windows all month. We hope that families will enjoy learning about some important African Americans and the amazing contributions they have made to history.

**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! Check out the goodies available at <https://bit.ly/dlesptafunpasta> Interested in being a seller? Please e-mail the PTA at [duckettslaneppta@gmail.com](mailto:duckettslaneppta@gmail.com) and they'll set you up!"

**DLES PTA Info** DLES PTA information can be found on the DLES PTA Website at <http://dlespta.org>. There, you can see what we're up to for 2020-2021, sign up for our newsletter, to join the PTA and to stay connected!

## We are here to help!

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