



Principal's Pen

Thanks to all who made our 4th annual Country Fair and BBQ such a success. We were blessed with a beautiful day as children played games indoors and out while parents ate and shopped and volunteered. We appreciate the efforts of all committee heads and their teams of workers.

Our application for next school year is available (November 1) on the website and from our school office. If you know people who are interested in MHMS, please make them aware of our monthly tour dates:

November 15, December 13, January 17. All tours begin at 9:00 am.

Once again, please accept our thanks to all of you who contribute to our MHMS community. You help make our school a great place to work and learn.

Sincerely,
Brad Schreiner



4th Annual Country Fair & BBQ —A Great Success

There are so many we need to thank:

Country Fair & BBQ Committee— for organizing and overseeing the entire event from beginning to end!

Room Parents/Grade Representatives— for putting together great looking theme baskets, gathering cakes for our dessert and for the cake walk, for organizing volunteers to staff the games, and for collecting supplies, etc. for those games.

Sports Teams— for "flexing" those muscles during set up and clean up! You were invaluable!

Faculty and Staff— for rallying at the last minute and filling in the gaps where we needed help!

All Parents and students— for the delicious desserts you sent in, for staffing games, working concessions, working the live or silent auction, selling tickets, sending in an item for the theme baskets.....the list goes on and on! We could not have had such a successful day without you!!!!

Our final numbers are not in yet, hopefully we will have something in our next Hawk Talk edition. Yet, we know it was a huge success based on the many smiling faces of kids, moms, dads, etc. A good time was definitely had by all! We counted on support from local businesses and from our parents, students, and faculty. You did not disappoint us!

THANK YOU.....THANK YOU.....THANK YOU!!! (It just can't be said enough.)

November PTO Meeting
Tuesday, Nov. 14th, 6:00 pm
featuring
MHMS K-4 Musical Performance
and



Scholastic Book Fair Family Night
from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 pm—
Visit before and after the PTO Meeting

The Scholastic Book Fair will be held November 13th – 17th
from 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

The elementary library would like to thank Holly Caldwell of Usborne Books for a donation of \$331.45 in credit that can be used to purchase books for the elementary library. A very special thank you to all patrons who purchased books during the Country Fair to make this donation possible.

Choral Department News

The MHMS Concert Choir will be traveling to Asheville, NC to perform at the Biltmore Estate's Christmas Candlelight Tour on Nov. 27. They are excited to be able to perform at such a prestigious event. Mrs. Lehman is so proud of their commitment because members have to rehearse each morning at 7:00 a.m. The choir will have an encore performance for the PTO on Dec. 5, and again at Faith Community Church on Luna Lane, Dec.10 at 10:45 a.m.

The MHMS Show Choir's calendar is filling up...they will be performing on Nov. 12 in Franklin, TN for the Tennessee Reading Association's Annual Conference. They will also be the entertainment for Alpha Delta Kappa's Christmas Brunch on Dec. 16 at Bluegrass Country Club. Alpha Delta Kappa is an honorary educational sorority for teachers. The Pre-schoolers at First United Methodist in Hendersonville will also enjoy a performance by the Show Choir on Dec. 8.

The 5th & 6th, 7th & 8th, High School, and Show Choir will perform "HOLIDAY LIGHTS and MUSIC" on Dec. 14 for the student body and again that evening for the public. Admission is \$3.00 for students and \$5.00 for adults. Be sure to mark your calendar for this event.



If you would like to book the Concert Choir or the Show Choir for your church or holiday event, contact Kathy Lehman.



Instrumental Music News

The MHMS Jazz Ensemble performed at the recent Country Fair and BBQ, receiving enthusiastic applause from the listening audience!

Twelve of our instrumental music students were invited to participate in the Honors Orchestra program at Pope John Paul II High School. This is a phenomenal number of excellent musicians to have at a school our size! Congratulations to all those participants!

The Instrumental Music Department will host a free Veterans' Day Celebration Friday, Nov. 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium. The middle/high school band will perform at this concert honoring our men and women who have served or are serving in the armed forces, and to pay tribute to those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in order for us to continue to enjoy our freedoms today.

All instrumental music groups will perform at their annual Christmas Concert December 7 at 6:30 p.m. As always, the concert is free.

Counselor's Corner

We would like to recognize our seniors...

Melanie Martin and *Allen Wong* – Merrol Hyde Magnet School Wendy's Heisman Scholar Athletes. Allen Wong was selected as the Tennessee Wendy's Heisman Scholar Athlete and continues to regional competition

Raquel Pointer – Semifinalist in the 2007 National Achievement Scholarship Program

Sandra Miselem – 2006-07 National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholar

Catharine Hooks – DAR Good Citizen Award

Shannon Hargis & Braxton Wilson – State Farm and mytv30 Scholar Athletes of the Week

Governor's School applications are being processed. If your student is hoping to be selected to attend a governor's school, please turn in the appropriate application.

The **Just Say No Club** will meet November 13 and December 11 from dismissal until 3:30 pm. Location to be announced.

Juniors must take the ACT or SAT in the Spring of their Junior year:

Test	Test Date	Regular Deadline	Late Fee Required
ACT	Dec. 9	Nov. 3	Nov. 4-16
ACT	Feb. 10	Jan. 5	Jan. 6-19
SAT	Dec. 2	Nov. 1	Nov. 9
SAT	Jan. 27	Dec. 20	Jan. 4

The Junior Class will tour Vanderbilt University on November 9. Parent volunteers are needed to accompany the class. Please contact Mrs. Cooper or Mrs. Thurman.

Gateway and End of Course Tests will be given December 5-8.

Exams will be December 19-20.

Mrs. Cooper is teaching character education in grades 3-5. Mrs. Thurman is teaching in grades K-2. The character education word of the month is Citizenship.



ABC Fruit Sale Now in Progress

The ABC Fruit Sale is now in progress. Order navel oranges, red grapefruit and tangelos by November 17. Order forms were sent home with students. Additional order forms are available in the MHMS office. Contact Janie

MHMS Cross Country Runners Make All Midstate Team!

Merrol Hyde was well represented on the All Midstate Cross Country Team with four of our runners ranking in the top 15. Their scores from the Preseason Meet and the Midstate Championship combined to define their ranking.

Maggi Hume 7th
Alaina Kiskadden 11th
Sarah Thompson 12th
Will Thompson 13th

A celebration was held on October 30th at Brentwood Academy to honor these runners. Congratulations to all four of you!



Honors Biology Students Study DNA



10th grade Honors Biology students attended a field trip October 25th to the DNA Resource Core of Vanderbilt. The students interacted with professionals from a variety of genet-

ics related fields, toured the lab and precipitated DNA from a lysate. The hosting scientist, Cara Sutcliffe, conducts educational outreach and is a member of the American Society of Human Genetics--ASHG. Mrs. Lloyd's MHMS Honors Biology class plans to visit the DNA Core each semester to continue this hands on educational experience.

Special thanks to the parent chaperones and host scientists who made this possible: Lee Bacus, parent; Mindy Hall, parent; Cara Sutcliffe, DNA Resource Core Manager; Julie Williams, Genetic Counselor; Dana Crawford, PhD of Center for Human Genetics Research; Jackie Roberson, Research Assistant; and Jessica Blair, MS Forensics.



AMAZON.COM Shoppers

Remember to use the Amazon.com link on the MHMS web site for all of your holiday shopping. MHMS Athletic Booster Club will receive 3-10% of the amount of the purchase. This is a great way to earn money for MHMS.

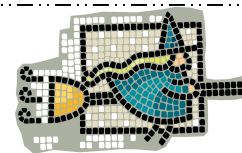
By entering Amazon through the link on the MHMS school web site, Amazon knows the customer came from MHMS and automatically credits the MHMS ABC bank account with a percentage of purchases. There is no increased cost to the purchaser.

Gift Cards Available...

Get your holiday shopping done early and support MHMS!!!
Purchase gift cards through the SCRIP Program!!

**A complete list
of retailers is available at
www.glscrip.com**

For more information
contact Beth Welch @ 822-9360.



Willabella Witch's Last Spell

MHMS Theatre Department will present *Willabella Witch's Last Spell* on November 17 at 7pm for the community.

Willabella Witch is having her 400th birthday. She's retiring from the witch business and vows no more spells! But her plans for retirement are interrupted when Hansel and Gretel, Rapunzel, Snow White, the Frog Prince, and others show up with demands! No wonder she wants to retire! This whimsical farce makes it just as enjoyable for adults and older children as it is for younger audiences. Tickets are \$3 for the community and watch for fliers about a special school show price!



Clean Out Your Closets!

The MHMS office is in need of adult and large youth-sized belts. If you've lost or gained a few pounds and have belts you no longer use please donate them to the MHMS office.