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IMPORTANT DATES

- ♦ **JAN 19 Sat** – Movie Night starting at 6:30 pm
- ♦ **JAN 21 Mon** – MLK Day, No School
- ♦ **JAN 22-25** – Spirit Week
- ♦ **JAN 26 Sat** – Citrus Fruit Delivery
- ♦ **JAN 30 Wed** – Family Dinner, Grades 3 and 4
- ♦ **FEB 12 Tue** – Ski Day
- ♦ **FEB 18 Mon** – President's Day, No School

SKI DAY

Thank you to everyone that turned in their Ski Day form promptly this week! If you are planning on skiing and you returned your order form, Mrs. Bates will give you the rental agreement form to fill out. This form must be completed and returned to Mrs. Bates by January 28. Payment is due on Monday the 28th, as well.

NO SCHOOL MONDAY!

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

School will be closed Monday, January 21, in celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Enjoy the long weekend and be ready for Spirit Week when you come back on Tuesday.

MOVIE NIGHT TOMORROW NIGHT

How about a good old-fashioned movie night?! The 8th grade class from Atholton is sponsoring a FREE movie night tomorrow, Saturday, January 19, starting at 6:30 pm. They will be showing the Disney movie *Ratatouille*. There is no charge to attend this family-fun extravaganza, but the 8th grade class will be accepting donations toward their class trip and graduation expenses. Also, there will be lots of delicious food items available for purchase.

REPORT CARDS

Report Cards were mailed home today, January 18. Watch for your child's report!

MAGAZINE FUNDRAISER

Today marks the beginning of our Magazine Fundraiser. Each student will bring home a brochure with hundreds of magazines that can be ordered. If you already subscribe to magazines, consider renewing a subscription, which gives the same amount of credit toward school sales. Getting relatives who live out of Howard County to order online is a great way to increase sales as well.

Students can earn interesting prizes throughout the next three weeks according to their sales. Watch for further announcements

about this fun part of the fundraiser.

See attached sheet for special instructions.

JOE CORBI SNACKS

Joe Corbi's orders are due today. If you haven't turned yours in, be sure to do so today!

CITRUS FRUIT

Fruit will be delivered on January 26. Come help with the fruit and enjoy a fun evening in the gym.

FAMILY DINNER

The Family Dinner for grades 3 and 4 is scheduled for Wednesday, January 30, at 6:00 pm. Parents, grandparents, and students are welcome to come enjoy food and new friends. Dinner will be provided by

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SPIRIT WEEK!!! Do you have school spirit? Here's your chance to show it (January 22-25)! There will be prizes for the "best dressed" class! Please remember that all outfits must comply with our school's modesty code.

Tuesday~ Career or Favorite Sport Jersey Day (no sleeveless or tank tops)

Wednesday~ SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY, wear our school colors (royal blue and gold)

Thursday~ T-Shirt & Jeans Day, plus Stuffed Animals and Hats

Friday~ Crazy Hair and Clash Day (hair must be "normal" by Monday)



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our Home and School Association.

If you would like to help with this event, please check the Home and School section on this page.

FIELD TRIP RESULTS

Despite the bad weather yesterday, the students enjoyed a great trip to the aquarium. A big thanks to all the parents who went along as chaperones. You were great!

SELECT CHOIR TRYOUTS

Grades 5-10 Select Choir is reorganizing for second semester. First semester choir students will need to tryout to determine their continued status. Students who did not have an opportunity to try out at the beginning of the year may do so now. There will be NO Select Choir practices until the new Select Choir resumes on Wednesday, January 30.

TALENT SHOW PREPARATIONS

AAS and the Atholton Church are holding a fabulous talent show at the end of February. This is just a reminder to encourage students to start practicing for their talent performances. Good luck!

ONLINE RESOURCES

Access the *Accent* online at www.atholton.org.

CHRISTMAS DONATIONS

The Atholton Pathfinders and Church wish to thank all the students and parents who contributed to the toy drive sponsored by the Student

Association this year. As a result of everyone's efforts, 63 children enjoyed a better Christmas, the biggest number of children ever!

HOME AND SCHOOL REQUEST

Becky O'Ffill, our Home and School Leader, would appreciate some assistance from parents who wish to get involved with our school. Please call her (301-498-5695) if you can help with any of the following...

Citrus Fruit Pickups - One or two people to be at the school for people picking up their orders (to check off and collect money if due) on Sundays, January 27 and February 19 from 10am-1pm (can do all 3 hours or split with someone). This is a great income project for our school.

Family Dinners – Several people to help prepare and serve food for “Family Dinners” on Wednesdays, January 30 and February 27, from 5-7 p.m.

Campbells and Boxtops Labels – One person to count, record, and mail the labels so the school gets cash or credit and can purchase items.

GYMNASTICS UPDATE

Just a reminder that gymnastics meets on Mondays only. The Friday practice schedule is no longer in effect.

SPORTS UPDATES AND CHANGES

Basketball

Tue, Jan 22 – Intramural games

3:30-4:15 Blackouts vs. Grizzlies 4:15-5:00 Faculty vs. Shorties

Wed, Jan 23 – Jagz Practice 3:30-5:00 pm.

Thur, Jan 24 – Jagz boy's basketball game in Frederick at 5:00 pm. The Jagz team will depart school at 3:30 pm. Parents, if you're available, we could use some help with driving/chaperons. In order to drive for a school event, you must have 250,000/500,000 car insurance. See the school office for questions.

Volleyball

Fun practices are still held on Sundays, 3-5 pm and Mondays, 6-8 pm.

