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IMPORTANT DATES

- ◆ **MAY 15 Thur** - Strawberry Festival at 6:00 pm
- ◆ **MAY 18-22** - Grade 9 and 10 Study Tours
- ◆ **MAY 19-21** - Grades 5 & 6 Outdoor School
- ◆ **MAY 22 Thur** - Pre-K Family Dinner at 6:00 pm
- ◆ **MAY 26 Mon** - Memorial Day No School
- ◆ **MAY 27-28** - Grade 8 Class Trip

BALTIMORE ZOO FIELD TRIP

Thank you, parents, for your response to our request for chaperones and drivers on May 28. We have filled our quota for chaperones. However, if you would still like to come, parking is free, but you will have to pay the \$11.00 entry fee.

PICTURES

Group pictures have come in, and we are sending them home today. If you did not order a picture, but would like to buy one, check with the school office. A few pictures will be available on a first come first served basis.

VISION TEST RESULTS

Howard County Health Department tested hearing and vision on Monday. All tested students passed the hearing test, but several students failed the vision test. If your child failed the vision test, a referral was mailed home. Please make an eye appointment for your child, and fill out the form at the bottom of the referral. It must be returned to the school office by the end of the month.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

See below for details!

JAGZ BASKETBALL GAME !

The Jagz basketball team will play AAS staff one last time on Saturday evening (May 3) at 8:30 pm. Admission to the game is only \$1.00. All proceeds benefit the 8th grade class. Drinks and snacks will also be available for sale.

INTERNATIONAL FLAGS

If your country's flag is not displayed in the hallway and you would like to participate, let Mrs. Peeke know. She will be placing one last final order next week.

SELECT CHOIR

All Select Choir members are to attend the following performances.
May 12—Columbia Union Conf. 7:45am
May 16—AAS morning chapel 8:15am
May 17—Atholton Vespers 6:15pm
May 27—Chesapeake Conf. 7:30am

The Select Choir Performance on May 17 at Atholton Church is open to the public. All are welcome to join us for Vespers at 7:00 pm.

LAST DAY FOR HOT LUNCH

Friday, May 23, is the last day that hot lunch will be available. Thank you for your participation and contribution to the 8th grade class.

BAND PRACTICE SCHEDULES

All bands will practice Mon-Thur until the final concert on May 15. Stiff penalties will result for any missed practices between now and the concert.

8th GRADE ACCOUNTS

Graduation criteria require that eighth grade accounts be cleared before graduation. Checks for eighth grade accounts will be accepted until May 12. After May 12, payment for eighth grade accounts must be in the form of cash, money order, or credit card.

ULTIMATE FRISBEE

Ultimate Frisbee Intramurals for grades 5-10 will end next week. Our last play days are May 7 and 8 (Wed and Thurs). No sign-up is required. Just show up if you want to play. If it rains on the scheduled days of play, frisbee games will be cancelled so After-School Care can use the gym.

GRADE 9 STUDY TOUR

Just a reminder that payment for the grade 9 study tour is due May 12.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

National Teacher Appreciation Week is May 5-9 – that's next week! Let's show our teachers how much we appreciate them by showering them with thanks! The Home and School Association will be taking the staff out to eat, giving them a 15-minute chair massage, and washing their cars.

We still need parent volunteers on Tuesday, May 6, for after-school care so our teachers and staff can socialize together at a local restaurant after school (3:30-6:00 pm). If you can help, even for an hour, please contact Becky O'Fill at 301-498-5695 ASAP.

Students can participate in the following ways:

Mon, May 5 – Bring your teacher(s) a card or note (hand-made or store-bought) to show your appreciation.

Wed, May 7 – Bring your teacher(s) a flower to brighten their day.

Fri, May 9 – Bring your teacher(s) a treat to sweeten their day.

Don't forget other staff members, too, such as teacher's aides, principal, music teachers, PE teacher, and after-school care-givers.

