



Bulldog News



Huntersville Elementary School
Annual Newsletter
September 2017



BACK TO SCHOOL NOTES

- **New School Hours!** Don't forget school hours are now 8:00am—3:00pm This is a 15 minute difference from last year.
- **Car Riders:** Please pull up as far as possible. Staff are on hand to assist with car duty and cannot be expected to open each door. Please train your children to exit your vehicle. Do not drop off your student before 7:30am as there is no staff supervision until that time. In the afternoon please make sure you are in the car rider line by 3:00pm. Do not try to park and pick up your child from the car riders area. This is an important rule for the safety of our students.
- **Bus Riders:** Be at your bus stop 10 minutes early until the bus establishes a normal routine. If you did not receive a bus sticker at Open House and you need bus transportation, please notify the school.
- HES is a "no walk" school. Parents living close to the school must get permission *each school year* from Mr. Ruppenthal.
- Parents must sign in their child in the office if you arrive after the 8:00am tardy bell.
- Please make every effort to have your child at school every day, all day. If a student is **absent** from school, the parent is asked to email the office at marsha.davis@cms.k12.nc.us
- To make sure our students get home safely, please notify your child's teacher **in writing** if your child has a different mode of transportation for the day or will be going home with another student.
- After School Day Care Participants —Most of our day cares have a van that picks up students in our lower parking lot. Parents should make sure that the day care has their child's

name on their van list and that your teacher knows which day care your child will be attending.



- The school cafeteria is connected to PayPams and we encourage parents to deposit lunch money to their child's account by registering at <https://paypams.com/HomePage.aspx> HES welcomes parents to have lunch with their child in the cafeteria and in our outdoor courtyards.
- School clubs information will be in Thursday folders.
- All PTA notices will come home in Thursday folders on light blue paper and please look for PTA Membership cards to come home at the end of September.
- Our PTA e-notes are sent home electronically on Sunday evenings. If parents are not receiving these, please contact Jen Pradas at jpradas72@gmail.com. (Kindergarten and New to the School parents are currently being entered. Those parents should start getting these by Sept. 9). Be sure to check out our volunteer opportunities and articles each week in the e-note and on our PTA website www.hespta-online.org.
- We are looking for smiling faces to greet visitors at our new Welcome Desk, please go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080849a5ae29a0fa7-heswelcome> to sign-up.
- Many thanks to Upscale Aquatics for maintaining our aquarium.

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HELP US EARN SCHOOL REWARDS

Box Tops— Our first General Mills Box Tops contest will be in October. More information and collection sheets/bags will come home in your child's Thursday folder on the Thursday before the contest begins. Start clipping from participating products now and ask your friends, each label is 10 cents for our school!

Harris Teeter- Please link or re-link your Harris Teeter VIC cards. Our school ID code is:
Harris Teeter Code 1783



Publix- Rewards for our school are earned by using a Publix card. Some are available at the welcome desk or please complete form that came home labeled school rewards.

Shoparoo— Shop. Snap. Earn. Easy no hassle fundraising for our school. All you have to do is download the free Shoparoo app. Take pictures of your receipts with your phone. Shoparoo makes a donation for every receipt.



AmazonSmile- Next time you shop on Amazon please log into smile.amazon.com instead of amazon.com. Then type in PTA North Carolina Congress Huntersville Elementary School PTA as your charity and start shopping!



Thank you for your support! Questions? Please contact: Shannon Armstrong, School Rewards Chairperson ~ searm@bellsouth.net

CALENDAR DATES TO REMEMBER

September

4-Sep	Labor Day Holiday—NO SCHOOL
6-Sep	Staff Meeting—PTA Snacks Provided
7-Sep	Making IT Happen Info. Home
8-Sep	Volunteer Forms Due
	Making IT Happen Campaign Kick-Off
11-Sep	SLT Meeting 3pm in Media Center
	PTA Exec. Board Meeting 6pm, Board 6:30pm, Media Center
13-Sep	Student Picture Day (2-3 Volunteers needed)
	Spirit Store Opens—Wed/Thurs/Fri
14-Sep	Curriculum Night 6-7:30pm
	General PTA Meeting 5:30pm
15-Sept	Spirit Wear Orders Due
19-Sept	Mountain Quest Meeting for 5th Grade Parents 5pm
	Science Fair Meeting 6pm

21-Sep-22-Sep	Teacher Workdays—NO SCHOOL
29-Sep	Making IT Happen Campaign ends
	Box Tops Contest Begins

October

2-Oct	SLT Meeting 3:15pm in Media Center
	PTA Exec. Board Meeting 6pm, Board 6:30pm, HES Staff Meeting
4-Oct	Box Tops Contest Ends
13-Oct	Box Tops Contest Ends
18-Oct	Early Release for Students-12pm
	Teacher Treats Day
18-Oct-20-Oct	5th Grade Field Trip
23-Oct-27-Oct	Book Fair
27-Oct	Fall Festival 5-7:30pm
	Last Day of 1st Quarter
30-Oct	Teacher Workday—Parent Conferences—NO SCHOOL

SHOW YOUR SCHOOL SPIRIT

Spirit Wear—Hopefully by now all of you received your 2017-2018 Spirit Wear order form. If not, forms are available at the welcome desk or on the website www.hespta-online.org. This is your chance to get the latest HES spirit wear designs. Completed order forms are to be returned, with payment, by **September 15**. *No orders will be accepted after the due date. * Questions? Please contact: Kelly Revels (kelly.revels@yahoo.com) or Laura Mahoney (ldk0524@gmail.com)

Spirit Store—Opens Sept. 13! We have lots of new and exciting items in the store, most under \$1.00!! The Spirit store is in the cafeteria and is open from 7:30-8:00am every Wed., Thurs. and Fri. Grade level schedule to follow soon. Please report to class first for a Spirit Store pass before coming! Volunteer interest? Please contact: Emily Field (chrisemilyfield@yahoo.com)





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