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# THE BEAR ESSENTIALS

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## School Hours

**8:20** School Doors Open  
**8:45** Instructional Day Begins  
**3:15** End of School Day  
**9:45-12:15** AM PreK  
**1:15-3:45** PM PreK

**OCTOBER**

**Internet Address:**

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We have had a wonderful start to the 2011-2012 school year at TES! Students are excited and ready to learn and our staff is dedicated to making each day enjoyable and productive for all!

For those parents who drop students off in the morning, please remember we do not have any adult supervision for students outside the building until 8:20 AM. In order to avoid any student safety concerns, please do not drop children off prior to 8:20 AM when the adults are on duty. We realize students are excited to arrive each morning, but want to be sure all are supervised and safe when entering the building.

We will be holding four conference nights this year, October 11<sup>th</sup>, October 19<sup>th</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup> and April 18<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the school to schedule a conference for your child. Your input is highly important and this is a great opportunity to hear about how you can support your child and celebrate his/her successes!

As you will notice this page only includes this brief message and our refrigerator page listing important dates and upcoming events. We are making a strong effort to be more environmentally conscious and have the complete newsletter on our school website located at [www.carrollk12.org/tes](http://www.carrollk12.org/tes) . If you would prefer the entire newsletter be sent home with your child, please contact the school and we will send a paper copy.

Thank you to parents and volunteers who have helped to make this a great beginning to the school year! We look forward to seeing you during parent conference nights!

## TES Mission

The mission of Taneytown Elementary School is to insure maximum student achievement for every student by providing:

Quality Instruction

A safe and nurturing environment for learning

A strong school/parent/community partnership

## TES Vision

As the students, staff members and parents, we are building a community of learners so every student will be an independent thinker, and a proficient reader, writer and problem solver.

## “Just the Facts” Refrigerator Page

### **OCTOBER**

- 3 **Two hr. 45 Min. Early Dismissal** (No Pre-K Students)
- 5 5th Grade Band Rehearsal at FSK at 6:00 p.m.
- 6 2nd Grade Field Trip Catactin Mt. Park & Cunningham Falls  
5th Grade Band Perform at FSK Football Game  
Title 1 Read for the Record—5:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
- 7 Fun Run
- 9 Fire Prevention Week (Oct. 9-15)
- 10 Md. Science Cntr Presentation in Gym (3rd, 4th & 5th Grades)  
National School Lunch Week (Oct. 10-14)  
Scholastic Book Fair (Oct. 10-14)
- 11 Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:30—7:30 p.m.)  
Book Fair Family Night 4:00—7:30 p.m.  
Volunteer Training - 7:30 p.m.
- 12 Board of Education Meeting (5:00pm)
- 17 National School Bus Safety Week (Oct. 17-21)
- 18 School Bus Driver & Assist. Recognition Day
- 19 Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:30—7:30 p.m.)  
Volunteer Training - 4:00 p.m.
- 21 **Schools Closed for Students (Professional Mtg. Day)**
- 26 Board of Education Meeting (1:00pm)
- 27 Cpl. Washington Safety & Drug Presentation 2nd & 4th gr.
- 28 Kindergarten Field Trip to Garver Tree Farm (9:00am-1:00pm)

### **Looking Ahead to NOVEMBER**

- 3 **2 hr 45 min. Early Dismissal –No Pre K**
- 4 Second Marking Period Begins
- 6 Standard Time Begins
- 8 2nd Grade Social (6:30-7:30 p.m.)
- 9 Board of Education Mtg. at 5:00 p.m.
- 10 Judy Center—123 Magic Parent Workshop-5:30-7:30 p.m.
- 14 **2 hr & 45 min. Early Dismissal—No Pre-K**  
American Education Week (Nov. 13-19)  
School Psychology Awareness Week (Nov. 14-18)
- 16 Picture Retake Day
- 23-25 Schools/Offices Closed—Thanksgiving Holiday**

Please mark your home calendar with the following scheduled 2 hour & 45 minute early dismissal days: Oct. 3, Nov. 3, Nov. 14, Dec. 9, Dec. 23, Feb. 10, Mar 5, May 11 & June 14.  
(Dismissal time 12:30)

**Please make arrangements in advance for the supervision of your children on these afternoons. Pre-Kindergarten does not attend school on these days.**

*Reminder: If your child is absent, you can report the absence that day by emailing*

*TESattendance@carrollk12.org*

#### **Lunch Schedule**

Kindergarten	11:30-12:00
Grade 1	12:15-12:45
Grade 2	12:00-12:30
Grade 3	12:40-1:10
Grade 4	12:55-1:25
Grade 5	11:20-11:50

#### **Lunch Prices**

Breakfast	Free for all Students
Lunch:	\$2.00 Regular Price
	\$ .40 Reduced Meal Price
Milk:	\$ .50
Ice Cream:	\$ .75

**F.Y.I.**

Lunch schedules are altered on early dismissal days as well as the days when schools open late due to inclement weather. Also, breakfast will not be served on mornings schools open late.

**Volunteer Training will be held at TES on October 11th at 7:30 p.m. and again on October 19th at 4:00 p.m.**

## Who Can Pick My Child up From School?

It is a common misconception that the emergency contacts listed on your emergency card can remove your child from school without your written permission. Only a parent or legal guardian can remove a child from school. The emergency contact names are listed for the schools purpose in the event of an emergency when the parent/guardian is unable to be reached. You are required to write a note if you wish to have your child removed from school by anyone other than yourself. Please include the child's full name/grade/teacher/date/time and the full name of the person picking up the child. Also, remind them that they are required to provide identification.

### ALL VISITORS REMEMBER TO SIGN IN

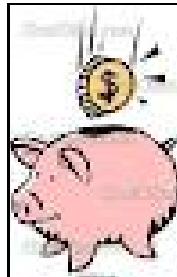
For everyone's safety, all visitors are required to sign in and out at the office **ANYTIME** they are in the building. If you go beyond the lobby area, you must sign in and receive a visitor pass.



Taneytown Elementary School is participating in the Maryland Food Bank School Pantry Program. We have a selection of canned and boxed food items for any family that needs food. Our pantry will be open conference nights, October 11th and 19th between 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. The pantry will also be open on November 3rd and 17th, and December 1st and 15th between 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. Please contact Mrs. Hess and Mrs. Swain at 410-751-3260 with questions or if you need foot at other



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TES Student banking will begin on Tuesday, October 4th in the cafeteria from 8:20 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. To sign up for banking please contact Belinda Gesell at New Windsor State Bank at 410-751-1580 or by email

[bgsell@Newwindsorbank.com](mailto:bgsell@Newwindsorbank.com)



### TES Fitness Club

The Club is open to 3rd, 4th and 5th graders, and teachers. We will meet for 45 minutes after school starting at 3:15 p.m. and ending at 4:00 p.m. The Fitness Club is free and fun! During Fitness Club, students will participate in different P.E. activities, and discuss healthy habits. Fitness Club will begin on Wed. Oct. 5th and again on Oct. 12th, 19th and 26th. We look forward to seeing you!!!

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**BOOK FAIR OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup>—14<sup>TH</sup>**  
**FAMILY NIGHT - OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup>**

We're looking forward to another wonderful year here at Taneytown. To kick off the year with a bang we're planning to have our fall **Book Fair October 10<sup>th</sup> through the 14<sup>nd</sup>**. We hope that everyone will remember to promote reading that week by attending the Book Fair **Family Night on October 11<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-7:00pm**, and/or by taking time out of your busy schedules to read a library book with children in your lives! Remember the PTO is graciously providing a small stipend for each child to purchase a book. It might be fun to help children look through our Book Fair brochure to find a book that they can purchase with that gift. Thank you PTO!!!

Also please don't forget to sign up to volunteer for the Book Fair. We will have a special treat for any and all who come and help out!!!! If you would like to volunteer you can sign up by filling out the volunteer form that we have sent home with your child, or please feel free to call the Media Center.

Lastly, we have included a schedule of when your child's class will be attending the Book Fair. Please take a look at this list so that you know when you should send money in with your student should you decide to purchase any items from the Fair. We look forward to seeing you and your family on **October 11<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-7:00pm** for family night!!!!

**CELEBRATE NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**

**SEPTEMBER 15— OCTOBER 15, 2011**

Hispanic Heritage Month began on September 15th, the historical anniversary of independence for five countries—Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico achieved independence on September 16th, and Chile on September 18th. In 1974 President Gerald Ford issued a presidential proclamation establishing September 15th to October 15th as National Hispanic Heritage Month to be celebrated annually.

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