Notes from Mrs. Broaddus

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful 2016 and you have many great memories that will last a lifetime! Here’s to an even better 2017!

Believe it or not we are wrapping up our second quarter. Students will be preparing for tests, completing projects and are already back in the swing of things. Our 2nd quarter will end on January 26th with a “moveable” teacher workday on January 27th. If there are several snow days in January, this workday may be moved. The School Board will make that decision if needed.

I am looking forward to another great year here at Mountain View and wish everyone the best this New Year can bring!

Attention 2nd Grade Parents

During the month of February, second grade students in Loudoun County Public Schools will take the online Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT), Form 7, Level 8. The CogAT measures general and specific cognitive skills that allow a student to learn new tasks or solve problems in the absence of direct instruction.

Students’ verbal, quantitative, and nonverbal reasoning abilities are measured by three test batteries, each of which is comprised of three subtests. Students typically complete three subtests per day, for three consecutive school days, to complete all nine subtests. These tests are untimed; however, each day’s testing period usually does not exceed 90 minutes. Students work through each subtest at his or her own pace, and the entire test is read aloud to students by means of pre-recorded audio.

Students cannot prepare or study for the CogAT. Instead, they will have the opportunity to become familiar with test items through teacher-directed practice activities. Additionally, practice questions, administered before the first subtest, will familiarize students with the online testing environment.

Score reports will be sent home to parents/guardians together with the 3rd Quarter report card.

Tis the Season for Lice®

Now that school is in full swing and sleepovers are happening almost every weekend along with cold mornings and hats and coats being worn and shared, it is important to talk to your children about head lice and how it spreads. While lice are not dangerous and do not spread disease, they are a nuisance. Please take some time to check your child periodically for head lice and if your child does have lice, it is important that you contact our clinic. Once we have two or more cases of lice in one homeroom, we will send a letter home to parents to check their children. No names are ever mentioned and we will keep your phone call confidential. For more information on LCPS Policies on head lice and lice in general, please visit our website www.lcps.org, click on Services (top of page), Students Health Services (left side of page), then Head Lice (left side of page). If you have any questions, please call the school clinic.
Continental Math League

This year the PTA has sponsored two academic challenges for students in certain grades. Below are results from our first testing session.

Continental Math
Students are given a test with approximately five math problems. These problems make students think outside of the box to find answers and are very challenging. Congratulations to the following students who earned the highest scores on Test 2 of our Continental Math test!

4th Grade
1st: Ted Lantow
2nd: Kevin Jaworski & David Bailey
3rd: Jaden Park, Brady Smith, Thomas Mazeika, Alexander Fontanilla, Sam Bradford & Ryan Hart

5th Grade
1st: Caroline Bell
2nd: Cody Herron
3rd: Emily Tran, Kevin James, Bradley Bernard, Lauren MacDonnell & Liam Willcox

School Closings and Delays

The following is information helpful to Mountain View Families:

School Closings: ALL school activities and activities held in the building will be canceled.

One Hour Delay:
- All morning buses will run one hour late. School will end on time.
  - Kindergarten: AM 8:50 – 10:50 PM 11:35 – 2:35
  - ECSE: AM 8:50 – 11:50 PM 10:35 – 2:35

Two Hour Delay:
- All morning buses will run two hours late. School will end on time.
  - Kindergarten: AM 9:50 – 11:50 PM 12:35 – 2:35

Parent Liaison Notes

Our MTV Giving Tree was a big success in December! Thank you to everyone who helped to make it happen. Be on the lookout for any other Parent Liaison news or updates in your child's Thursday folder. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me directly.

Sharon Balda - (540) 751-2550 - Sharon.Balda@lcps.org - Tues & Thurs 9:30am-1:30pm
Happy Valentine’s Day – February 14th

As Valentine’s Day approaches, please remember that we do not bring food in for other students. It is important for parents to understand that candy brought to school by students, including candy attached to Valentine’s Day cards, will be returned to the parent. Please just send in Valentine’s Day cards only. Thank you for your cooperation.

Dates to Remember

January 1  Happy New Years
January 3  School Reopens
           Follow Monday’s Schedule
January 4  PTA Board Meeting 1:00 PM
January 9-13  Chat and Chew
January 9  Continental Math League Grades 2-5
January 16  No School – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 17  Blue Ridge Music Night 5:00 PM
January 18  Universal Screening
January 19  MTV Spelling Bee 1:00 PM
           Blue Ridge Music Night 5:00 PM
January 23  Club Picture Day/Candid in Classroom – 5th Grade Panoramic
January 24  Chick-fil-a PTA MTV Spirit Night
           Blue Ridge Music Night 5:00 PM
January 26  Last day of 2nd quarter
January 27  Moveable Teacher Work Day
February 1  PTA Board Meeting 1:00 PM
February 6  Continental Math League (Gr 2-5)
February 8  Report Cards Sent Home
February 13  Chat and Chew Week Begins
February 20  No School – Presidents’ Day
February 22  Follow Monday’s Schedule
February 23  5th Grade Visit to Harmony Middle 9:45 AM
February 27  Word Masters Challenge Grades 3-5

Clinic Notes

If your child visits the emergency room or urgent care, please remember to send all paperwork from the visit to the clinic on the day the child returns to class.

Please do not send cough drops in with your student. Cough drops are medication and a parent must bring the cough drops in to the clinic.

Please make sure your phone numbers are correct on ParentVue, the link is https://portal.lcps.org. Absences can be e-mailed to: MTV-Attendance@lcps.org or called into our hotline at 540-751-2551. Please state the reason for the absence. When sending in a note with your child, please include the child’s full name, grade, teacher, and your name.
Library News…

- Mrs. Griffith and Mrs. Ashby would like to thank all students for the wonderful reading they did as part of our Enlighten Your Life...Read program. We had record numbers of reading minutes during this program...way to go Mountain View students!!!
- We want to remind all MTV families of the many ebooks and resources that are available on the Mountain View library page. There are over 700 ebooks and audiobooks there as well as electronic databases. Students may access these by using their login and password. Make sure to check some of these out during the wintry months!
- Our January Chat’n Chew book discussions will take place the week of January 9-13, 2017.

Blue Ridge Middle School

Music Try Sessions
All 6th grade students will sign up for a music class (Band, Strings, Chorus, Music Lab). If your child is interested in one of the band or strings instruments, he/she must attend one of the Music Try Sessions at Blue Ridge Middle School (dates below). The Music Try Sessions will help students determine which musical instrument is the best choice for them. Students selecting Chorus are not required to attend. We suggest all students participate in a performance-based music class vs. music lab. Music lab is not a requirement for guitar in 7th grade. If you are unsure or undecided, please attend one of the music nights.

Music Try Session Dates:
5:00–7:00 p.m. {in cafeteria}
Tuesday, January 17th
Thursday, January 19th
Tuesday, January 24th

Rising 6th Grade Parent Night
Thursday, March 16th, 6:30 p.m.
Blue Ridge Middle School Auditorium
Note: Spectrum parents are invited to attend a session with Mrs. Kittrell, BRMS Spectrum teacher, prior to the start of the 6th Grade Parent Night from 6:00–6:30 p.m. in the BRMS cafeteria.
December, 2016 / January, 2017

Dear Fifth Grade Parent/Guardian:

By the end of this summer, your child will be attending sixth grade at Harmony Middle School! We are eager to meet your family, answer any questions that you have, and are most excited to have the opportunity to work with your child. Listed below is an outline of the transitional activities that will take place during the rest of this school year. Please mark these dates on your calendars.

1. For those students who are interested in taking a band or string instrument (students taking music lab or chorus do not need to attend) MUST attend specific nights to try the instruments. Please follow the assigned days below, but in the case of a scheduling conflict, you may come on any night (all nights start at 6:00 PM):

   Lovettsville ES and Waterford ES students in all 5th grade classes; March 21
   Hillsboro Charter Academy and Round Hill ES in all 5th grade classes; March 22
   Mt View ES and Culbert ES* students in all 5th grade classes; March 23

2. On March 7 and March 14, we will hold Parent Information Nights for any rising 6th grade parents. This program, geared for parents, will provide a chance for us to explain the middle school experience, the scheduling process, and to answer any questions that you have. Please meet us either night (in the Harmony auditorium) at 7:00 PM for a 30-40 minute meeting.

An important component in the transition process is the scheduling of classes. The window for adding your child’s music selection is open now. Your child’s teacher recommendations will be available in March. After that time you may make changes to your child’s courses on ParentVUE from the directions provided by your elementary school.

Please call us with any questions. (540-751-2500)

Sincerely,
Eric Stewart
Principal

February 23rd—Date for all elementary schools to visit Harmony MS and take a tour during the day.

On August 24 or 31 TBD (8:00 to 12:00) your future sixth grader will participate in a formal Orientation (including a tour) and receive his/her schedule. A parent meeting will be held at 11:30 with the principal and staff. Spring or summer individual tours are welcome (any Thursday after school). However, please call to make an appointment.
**LCPS Gifted Information Sessions**

Join us to learn about gifted education services available through Loudoun County Public Schools and the eligibility process for these programs. This program may be of particular interest to parents of third graders and students new to Loudoun County. However, all interested parents are welcome to attend. The same information will be presented at each of the meetings, so it is not necessary to attend more than one. This information was also shared during our Fall 2016 sessions. It is not necessary to attend if you attended a presentation in the fall. The presentation slideshow may be viewed on the LCPS Gifted webpage.

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If due to a disability, you require assistance to meaningfully participate in this program, please contact the principal of the school five working days prior to the event.

**PTA Corner**

**Diana Willcox, President**

From the PTA, welcome to the New Year!!

We certainly hope you had a relaxing, fun and family-filled Winter Break. The return to school after break has always seemed to signify the downhill side of the school year and slide into June. But really we have nearly 5 months until flips-flops and tan lines start making their appearance in the hallways. Until then, there is much to be done and much, much more fun to be had!

January will see the coming of our PTA sponsored book drive to support the new reading curriculum at Mountain View. Our classroom teachers and reading specialists are on the hunt for good condition fiction and non-fiction books appropriate for grades 1-5 to supplement their classroom resources. The class with the most books donated will win premium seating at our first annual Family Sports Night!! More information will follow.

Please do not forget that we have upcoming General PTA meetings on the calendar for January 18th and February 22nd. We hope you can join us for one or both of these! As always, it is never too late to join the PTA or volunteer to help with one or more committees.

Thank you for your continued support of our school!
# January 2017
## Elementary Lunch Menu

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### Additional Daily Meal Options
- Milk Variety

### Lunch Prices
- Free & Reduced - no charge
- Paid - $3.00
- Adult $4.10

"Taste-It Thursday" - Tri-color Carrots
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