



# HAMPTON HAPPENINGS



DECEMBER 2018

## HAMPTON ELEMENTARY MISSION

The mission of the Hampton Elementary School Community is to foster an environment where all children feel safe, respected, and valued. We provide the foundation for students to reach their maximum potential in their academics and encourage them to strive for personal excellence.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

POPCORN DAYS / .25	DEC. 7 & 21
HOLIDAY GIFT SHOP	DEC. 11, 12, & 13
SCHOOL BOARD MTG . AT BC CENTRAL HIGH 7:00 PM	DEC. 10
WINTER MUSIC PROGRAM	DEC. 18
WINTER RECESS	DEC. 24 - JAN. 2
CLASSES RESUME	JAN. 3, 2019
HALF DAY / Dismiss at 11:45 am	JAN. 18

### SCHOOL SCHEDULE

SCHOOL OFFICE OPENS	7:45 A.M.
STUDENT ARRIVAL	8:00 A.M.
TRANSITION TO CLASSROOMS	8:30 A.M.
SCHOOL BEGINS	8:40 A.M.
STUDENT DISMISSAL	3:28 P.M.
SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSES	4:00 P.M.

## DRESS FOR THE WEATHER

It has been our observation, that students are NOT coming to school prepared for WINTER. Please help us in the following manner:

1. During cold, snowy weather, encourage your child to wear boots, hats, gloves, warm coats, etc.
2. On days they wear boots, be sure another pair of shoes are sent to school. Wearing boots all day in school is not a comfortable, healthy or safe situation.
3. Send an extra pair of shoes for "muddy" days.

Remember: All children must go outside for at least 15-20 minutes during their lunch hour. The only exception to this is during rain days. Once it starts getting colder, our district rule is to only keep students inside if the temperature with wind chill is below 10 degrees. We check a few different sources if it is close and make a judgment call, so please watch the weather and try to pack accordingly. Our children need to get outside and have a fun and energetic break. Please help us make sure that all students are prepared for that fun!



## SAFETY / PARENTS IN THE BUILDING

We ask that all visitors or volunteers in our building please sign in at the office after buzzing in. We have visitor badges that we ask all of our visitors and volunteers to wear. NEVER enter the building without checking in at the office.

## GOOD SAMARITAN RESCUE MISSION DRIVE

Hampton third graders are having a Christmas gift drive for the Good Samaritan Rescue Mission here in Bay City. They are collecting donations until Friday, December 14th. These items will help make Christmas a little brighter for kids who are staying at the mission. The Good Samaritan Rescue Mission is requesting certain items for the kids. Please consider donating the following NEW items:

Games / Puzzles  
Books

Legos  
Sippy Cups

Pajamas

There will be collection boxes outside the main office and also near the gym doors beginning Monday, December 3rd. Thank you very much for your help!

## COMMON SENSE FUNDRAISING

To battle the tired fundraising booklets that schools have used for decades, we are trying something new.... Actually offering items that you WANT & NEED, providing fun events for the family, or benefitting from shopping you have already done! Here are some of our fundraising opportunities:

**Shoparoo** - We encourage you to download this app. This is a great & easy way to earn money for our school. You can find the app on Google Play or the Apple App Store.

**Reading for Education** – The booklet magazine sale we did this fall ....just got the check & thanks to our families we made just over \$1000! Thank you!

**Spirit Wear** – We will have another sale in the spring.

**School Store** - Students (1st-5th) have the opportunity to buy fun school supplies on every Thursday. Items range from .25 cents to \$2.

**Special Stores** - Keep your eyes open for “Special Store” days that are held with special items that aren’t available during the normal school store days.

**Popcorn Sales**– Every other Friday (dates posted) for .25 cents a bag.

**Holiday Store** - On December 11, 12, & 13, students will have the opportunity to purchase their own special holiday gifts for family and friends. The gifts range in price from .25 cents to \$12.00 but there many affordable options. The children enjoy making decisions and learning about economics.

**Little Caesars Pizza Kit Sale** - We will have a sale sometime in January.

**Skyzone Night & Chuck E. Cheese Night** - We will have these the 2nd half of the school year. Look for details in future newsletters.

**Rokooj** - Our year around fundraiser! Go to [rokooj.com](http://rokooj.com) and check out their on-line catalog containing over 10,000 items for everyday use! When ordering, use HE10 as the code and we receive 10% of sales! Items are sent right to you, no hassle, just like any other on-line shipping company.

**WE PUT THE  
FUN  
IN FUNDRAISING**

## WINTER MUSIC PROGRAM

Mark your calendars for the Winter Music Performance happening Tuesday, December 18! Your child will perform with his/her grade level in a culmination of this semester's music instruction. I hope you can take the time to join us. If you have any questions, e-mail Mrs. Jaime, Music Teacher at: [jaimet@bcschools.net](mailto:jaimet@bcschools.net). Performance times are:

**Y5 & Kdg.:** 9:00 am      **1st Grade:** 9:40 am      **2nd Grade:** 10:20 am  
**3rd Grade:** 1:20 pm      **4th Grade:** 2:00 pm      **5th Grade:** 2:40 pm



There will not be a Spring Music Program since Mrs. Jaime will be teaching Music at Auburn Elementary for the 2nd semester. Our students will have S.T.E.A.M. class here for 2nd semester.

## BOOSTER CLUB NEWS

### REMEMBER TO SIGN IN!

Volunteers — remember to sign in at the office when you come to help out! We log your hours and want everyone's time here to be accounted for. Hampton is one of the top schools that logs the most volunteer hours! Let's keep it up!

### POPCORN DAYS

December 7th & 21st. January 4th & 18th.  
 .25 cents per bag.

### SPECIAL "HOLIDAY" STORE

On Thursday, December 20th, during the lunch times, the Booster Club will be having a Special "Holiday" Store. It's similar to our School Store sales but there will be special treats and items for the holiday season for grades Kdg.- 5!

### HOLIDAY GIFT SHOP

On December 11, 12, & 13, students will have the opportunity to purchase their own special holiday gifts for family and friends. The gifts range in price from .25 cents to \$12.00 but there many affordable options. The children enjoy making decisions and learning about economics.

We are in need of MANY volunteers to make this event a success. If you are able to donate any of your time on any of the above mentioned days, please contact Christie at 893-1100 or send us an e-mail at [hamptonvolunteer@bcschools.net](mailto:hamptonvolunteer@bcschools.net) with your availability. We will be in touch with you before the gift shop starts to confirm.

There will be no School Store on Thursday, December 13th due to the Holiday Gift Shop.

### CANDY CANE SALES

For the month of December, the Booster Club will be selling candy canes during the holidays on Tuesdays. Candy canes are .50 cents each and will be sold at lunchtime on 12/5, 12/11, and 12/18.



## TEACHER APPOINTMENT COURTESY

The Hampton staff is here to help you and your child. We are committed to the education and well being of your child and it takes a lot of time to prepare for each school day's learning experiences for your child.

We know that communication is critical and we appreciate all of the support you provide to our staff. We will meet with you in person, or respond by email or phone if you have a question or a need. If you do need to meet with our staff in person, please give them a courtesy call to set up a time to meet. Please avoid a drop-by, drop-off or pick-up meetings so that staff can focus their attention on student arrival, lesson planning/preparation and student dismissal. When you do arrive, please check-in at the school office with the Office Staff.

## GENTLE REMINDERS - PARKING LOT



We need to leave the handicap parking spaces available for those who need to use them. Please leave the spaces open for those that have a handicap sticker.

As winter weather approaches, we've asked our maintenance department to push the snow a little further to maximize our parking. We ask for everyone's patience during the snowy months — we want to get everyone safely in and out of our parking area. Please drive slowly and watch for others.

Also, in the morning, when dropping off your child, please make sure that you pull up to the sign or next available spot behind the front car and let your child out. Once they are on their way into the school, please, to keep the flow of traffic moving nicely, please make your way toward the exit. We are finding that the line gets rather long and held up at times.

## SAFETY / DISMISSAL

For the safety of all of our students, **please keep the hallways clear at the end of the day.** If you need to pick your child early for any reason, please sign them out in the office. If you do not have a badge showing that you signed in at the office, you may be asked to do so. No badge tells us that no one in the office knows that a person is in the building, and that does not promote safety for our students. If you see someone without a badge, please contact the office. They are probably safe, but we like to be on the safe side — so please follow our guidelines. Kindergarten parents picking up their children may wait outside the red gym doors. They will be opened once the students are in the gym.

## GIFTED & TALENTED PROGRAM

The Gifted and Talented Office will open a window to take nominations for its program beginning in January. The program is designed for 1st through 8th grade students whose learning characteristics indicate a need for a unique educational experience beyond the regular classroom curriculum.

**Middle School — Grades 5, 6, and 7**  
**Elementary — Grades Kdg., 1, 2, 3, and 4**

**January 3rd though January 14th**  
**February 4th through February 14th**

Teachers and parents may refer students by going to the Gifted & Talented website at: [www.bcpsgifted.com](http://www.bcpsgifted.com). Elementary students who are being evaluated will participate in an IQ evaluation that will be considered with their academic accomplishments along with standardized test scores and teacher/parent recommendation.

## STAYING IN AT RECESS DUE TO ILLNESS



Students must have a note from a doctor in order to stay in at recess. Many students do not prefer to go out when it's cold, but it is very good for them to get the fresh air. So unless a student has a doctor's note excusing them from outdoor activity, they will go outside. Please dress them according to the weather.

## WINTER RECESS

This year's Winter Recess will be from Friday, December 21st through Wednesday, January 2, 2019. Classes will resume for all grades on Thursday, January 3, 2019.

