



All the great things are simple, and many can be expressed in a single word: freedom, justice, honor, duty, mercy, hope.~ Winston Churchill

Memorial Day 2018 is upon us, conceived post-Civil War as Decoration Day to honor the fallen by placing flowers on their graves.

After World War I it was expanded honoring all members of the U.S. military who died in conflict, ultimately declared a national holiday by Congress in 1971 observed on the last Monday in May.

One day can't possibly convey the magnitude of their sacrifice or their families' but gives pause to reflect and honor their memories.



June 13 **Stepping Up Ceremony** for 8th grade students: 2pm Warhill High School: The PTSA providing pizza and drinks to students going to the ceremony in the HMS cafeteria: Transportation to WHS provided to students. Please arrive early for parking and park on the gym side. Doors will be open. Please do not go through the school itself.

Monday, May 28, 2018:

✎ **Memorial Day: We are grateful and remember, not just today but every day.**

Tuesday, May 29, 2018: B Day

Wednesday, May 30, 2018: A Day

✎ **8th grade Science SOL**

Thursday, May 31, 2018: B Day

✎ **NJHS Induction Ceremony 5:30pm**



Friday, June 1, 2018: A Day

- ▼ Band Festivals here. Some students will be guides.
- ▼ Box Tops collection deadline
- ▼ 7th grade field trip to the Virginia Science Museum in Richmond.
- ▼ Have a great weekend!

Saturday, June 2, 2018

- ▼ Chorus spring trip to Kings Dominion



Announcements/Looking Ahead

Ms. Kuthy, alpha A-K, will be transferring to James Blair next year. We will greatly miss her but she will always be a part of the Hornsby family. We will welcome Joshua Denny to the Hornsby school counseling team next year. *Forever a Hawk*

Mrs. Thomas is looking for licensed barbers and stylists to volunteer a few hours on the afternoon of Thursday, June 7 to help students get ready for Stepping Up and the 8th Grade Dance. If you are interested and available to help, please call 757-565-9400 ext. 22083 or email Anna.Thomas@wjccschools.org.

Nurse Vona's Closet:

Nurse Vona's closet is filling with dresses. Thank you to the Hornsby community for your donations. Nurse Vona could still use donations of dress shirts and bow ties for our Hornsby gentlemen. Parents and staff, if your student needs assistance with clothing for 8th grade dance or stepping up, please contact Nurse Vona at 565-9450 or encourage your student to stop in to clinic to browse through her closet.

8th grade Dance

The 8th grade dance is here at Hornsby Middle School on Friday, June 8, 2018 from 7:00pm-10:00pm! This event will be a semi-formal dance with fun activities, food, and prizes and the cost will be \$10 per 8th grade student. Tickets may be purchased from homeroom teachers beginning Tuesday, May 29. *Beginning Monday, May 21, any disciplinary infraction resulting in either an in-school suspension (ISS) or an out-of-school (OSS) suspension will exclude a student from the 8th grade dance.* If a student has already purchased a ticket, the money will be refunded.

Please consider volunteering your time or donating food and gift cards or prize for the raffle. Big or small! We will need lots of items for the students to win. Gift certificates to



restaurants or ice cream shops, iPod's, iTunes gift cards, toys, games etc.... Any prize will be greatly appreciated! Please volunteer before, during, and after the event. We will need people to set up the afternoon of the event, chaperone during the event, and help cleaning up after the event. Just visit the link to sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054aafae23a20-lhms1/1150455>

To purchase the **8th Grade 2018 group picture** go to the Candid Color website <http://www.candidcolor.net> and click on Underclass Portraits. Enter the code **HRM8G18**.

Attention all rising 9th grade families and students—It is not too late to sign up for the **Warhill Innovation Courses, Lafayette's Linc5, or Jamestown's Concourse 9** program! There will be representatives coming this week to the school to speak to interested students. Information about the programs and program coursework examples can be found on each high school's websites. Please contact amber.spicer@wjccschools.org if you are interested in having your student attend the session.

What Parents Need to know about "13 Reasons Why" Season 2: Released Today May 18th on Netflix

NOTE: many students binge watch the show without their parents' consent or knowledge.

VIEWING TIPS: It is recommended that you watch the series beforehand and determine if it is appropriate for your student. If you decide to let your student watch the series, please discuss strategies for wellness in regards to any of the issue presented in the series. Also, Netflix has a title-level PIN code that can be added if you feel it necessary at home as

THE ISSUES: The series incorporates intense adolescent issues such as bullying, sexual assault, school violence, anxiety, stress, depression and suicidal ideation.

RESOURCES: School counselors and other school staff are resources are available to collaborate with you if you feel your student is experiencing the type of issues mentioned above. Community resources are available as well. The school has resources that we can share with you if you need assistance.

Links: <https://www.screenagersmovie.com/tech-talk-tuesdays/13-reasons-why-and-how-to-talk-to-our-teens-about-hard-issues>

<https://www.screenagersmovie.com/tech-talk-tuesdays/how-to-prepare-for-13-reasons-why-season-2>

<https://www.schoolcounselor.org/asca/media/asca/FactSheets/13ReasonsWhyStaffParentsStudents.pdf>



Mr. Pfeiffer's Grant Project Escape Room: Creating the Constitution, will be held in the auditorium on Monday and Tuesday, June 4 and June 5. His core classes will be experiencing this escape room challenge, which focuses on the founding documents of the U.S. Constitution. *Ms. Gwaltney and Mr. Winthrop's civics students are welcome to stay after school on those days to experience the escape room!* Mr. Pfeiffer will be staying after if any faculty or other students would like to try as well.

Any **rising 9th graders** who are interested in trying out for the **Warhill golf team** in the fall should contact Coach Randall by email at edgarrandall@wjccschools.org by the end of the school year.

If you are a **rising 9th grade girl** who will be attending **Lafayette HS** next year Lafayette will be hosting a **Field Hockey** interest meeting on May 30th @ 5:30 in the LHS Lecture Hall.

Laptop collection schedule:

Monday, June 4: **Grade 7** (students turn in laptop and charger, keep laptop bag)

Tuesday, June 5: **Grade 6** and exceptional classes: (students turn in laptop and charger, keep laptop bag)

Wednesday, June 6: **Grade 8** (students turn in laptop, charger, and laptop bag)

Students who do not turn in their equipment by **June 14** will be billed. Estimates of replacement costs below:

Laptop: \$325

Charger: \$25

Laptop bag: \$20 (8th grade only)

Did you forget to order your yearbook? No worries! See a yearbook staff member during your lunch or Ms. Anderson in Room 1323 to have your name put on the reserve list to guarantee a yearbook. Do NOT bring money to reserve your spot. You will bring money on field day when you pick up your yearbook!

Parents/Guardians – If you have moved and HMS does not have your new address (or, you've forgotten to give us a change in address), please contact Marcia, Registrar, #(757)565-9438. Needed items: 2 proofs of residency, and the Residency Affidavit completed. Please remember, we have some students going to high school in the Fall and the redistricting. Both events may impact which school your student will attend. Have a great weekend and I'm looking forward to hearing from these families.

Box Tops Due June 1st - final collection for this school year. Please send in all box tops by June 1st.



Important Dates:

June 4 and June 5 Mr. Pfeiffer's Escape Room: see announcements

June 5 Betsy Costner presentation by Sheila Arnold for 6th grade in the choir room periods 1, 2, 3, 4. *Generously funded by the PTSA.*

June 8 Last day for Activity Buses

June 8 Eighth Grade Dance 7pm-10pm

June 8 The 8th grade Advanced Theatre performance of *Bad Auditions by Bad Actors* will be during 8th, 7th, and 6th grade related arts classes

June 8 SOLabration: All day, all grades: more information to follow

June 13 Early Release 12:25pm

June 13 8th grade Stepping Up at WHS 2pm

June 14 Early Release 12:25pm: Last Day

June 20 Report Cards Mailed Home



Thank you!!!

All **our students** are showing their academic prowess on the SOL's. You are doing an outstanding job! We are proud of you.

Thank you to all the **parents** for supporting our students!

Teachers have been working hard proctoring, monitoring, and doing hall duty. Thank you! Also, thank you for contacting parents for expedited retakes.

Thank you to **all students who were not testing** this week who remained respectfully quiet and were flexible about their schedules.

A big thank you to **Mrs. Schweitzer and the team** for organizing all of this!

Our students are wonderful! Students have been following the Hawk expectations. Our Hawks SOAR!

Hornsby Hawks SOAR



Safe

Organized

Accountable

Respectful