



Darter Tacklebox Week 12 November 13, 2023

Good evening, DARLINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL! WE are LIVE Here at the BUBBLE. This is proud principal Alberta Porter, and your proud assistant principal, Danielle O'Neill with second grader Brianna and fifth grader Brison.

Darter Scholars-Caleb and Sophie for the progress they have made in reading and joining their friends during recess and lunch! We are excited about your growth!

Harford County Public School's Everyday Hero Award-Congratulations to Ms. Stephanie Buchman, first grade teacher, who was honored Wednesday Evening with 40 other Harford County Public School Teachers for excellence in teaching.

Growing Together as Readers- Our stamina total for the month of October was 25,442 minutes!!! Although our STAMINA minutes IN school increased, the number of minutes we read at home decreased. We know students are reading at home. Please turn in those stamina trackers to Mrs. Guzman at the end of the month so we can count everyone's at home reading.

Picture Retake Monday, 11/27/23-Ms. Gena wants to remind all parents who were unsatisfied with their child's pictures to call the office, 410-638-3700, to be placed on the retake list.

Report Cards-grades will be visible in HAC on Friday, November 17th. Take time to review your child's progress with your learners, both their academic and behavioral achievements.

Career Week -Thank you to all of our Career Day Specialists who took time out of their work schedule to share with students the traits and skills needed to achieve and sustain their career goal.

Weather Fluctuations-please remember to have students wear a jacket or have one in their backpacks Please remember that students need jackets as the temperature in the different parts of the building can be chilly, to go to recess, and if we have an evacuation.

Student Council Thanksgiving Food Drive- please support this incredible service project.

Darlington Elementary School is teaming with Grace Memorial's Darlington Community Thanksgiving Food Drive by donating food items for food baskets to be given to families in our community during the holiday season. Student Council members will assist with the collection and distribution.



We are asking that all donations are brought to school by Wednesday, November 15th!

Below is a list of non-perishable requested items. Feel free to donate as many items as you wish and/or items that are not listed.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instant Mashed Potatoes • Stuffing • Corn Muffin Mix 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Macaroni and Cheese • Peanut Butter • Jelly (no glass)
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turkey Gravy (no glass) • Canned Vegetables • Canned Fruit • Canned Tuna • Cranberry Sauce 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spaghetti • Pasta Sauce (no glass) • Hearty Soup • Brownie or Cake Mix
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Please make sure items are not expired and NO GLASS JARS! Thank you for your support!

AND NOW.....it is time for the Corny jokes of the week!

What's a turkey's favorite Thanksgiving food?

Nothing, it's already stuffed!

What instrument does a turkey play?

You guessed it....a drum stick.

Have a magnetic Monday and a Smiling

REMIDERS:

Volunteers Needed: Please see the volunteer expectations and opportunities for volunteering at DAES.

SMART Watches of any kind are treated with the same expectations as those for cell phones. They must be off and inside backpacks. Please see the HCPS handbook for more details.

Absences-please remember to submit vacation requests 10 school days prior to the trip in order for the vacation to be approved as a lawful absence. All absences require a note to the school.

From the School Counselor-Mrs. Mussini- Now that the weather is getting cooler, if your child is in need of a coat, please reach out to me. We have a few sizes available. Also, as always, I am here for your child and your family. If I can be of assistance in any way, please do not hesitate to reach out to you!

School Spirit Days: please see the below list there are lots of spirit days in the next few weeks.

Remaining School Spirit Days through January

SC - November 17 – Western Day

SC - December 8 – Favorite Color Day

Holiday Spirit Week:

December 18 – Candy Cane Day

December 19 – Holiday Character Day

December 20 – Winter Fun Day

December 21 – Jingle Bells / Holiday Bling Day

December 22 – Holiday Shirt Day

SC - January 12 – Pajama Day

*SC – Identified by Student Council

DARLINGTON ELEMENTARY PTA MEMBERSHIP

We encourage each family to join the PTA. Your \$10 membership fee per person gives you a voting voice in the PTA. Even if you don't plan to attend meetings, we encourage you to become a member as a way to continue the PTA efforts at your child's school. Please complete the membership form below and return it to the school with your child by **September 29th**. You can also join and pay online with MemberHub: <https://darterspta.memberhub.com/store> Note there is a small transaction fee online



Being part of your child's PTA is an opportunity contribute to your child's school experience. We welcome each of you to be involved in a way that works with your schedule. We appreciate all levels of help! Involvement brings a sense of accomplishment, appreciation for the events at school, camaraderie, friendship and an opportunity to learn new skills and share your talents!

Please plan to attend our next PTA Election/Meeting on Thursday, September 7th at 7pm at Darlington Elementary School. If our facilities request is not approved the meeting will be at Francis Silver Park instead.

For questions about the PTA, contact DAES PTA via email darlingtonelempta@yahoo.com

Please detach below & return to your child's teacher by Sept 29th. THANK YOU!

Membership cards are sent by email – please provide a unique email for each member!!

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Darlington Elementary School PTA 2023-2024 Membership Application

Please provide the names of each parent or caregiver to be included in the membership. We also ask you to list the name of each child attending Darlington Elementary School.

Member Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Is this Member willing to Volunteer to Support PTA Activities YES NO

Member Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Is this Member willing to Volunteer to Support PTA Activities YES NO

Enclosed is \$ _____ (Please include \$10 for each adult member. Make checks payable to DAES PTA)

Your Darter's Name(s)

Student Name _____ Grade _____

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Student Name _____ Grade _____