*HMS Daily Announcements*

*Friday, November 2nd*

Hi, I'm Katie, and I'm Alice and we're both members of the HMS Student Council. Yesterday you saw our video where we announced the start of our annual **Thanksgiving food drive**. This is the 13th year that HMS has been participating in this important event. But more importantly, it's our LAST food drive. That means we really want to finish our HMS career with the best food drive we have ever had. Just so you know, our food drive benefits local families in need in our own community. Not Philadelphia. Not another country. Our town. There are many families in our town dealing with food insecurity which is the state of not knowing where your next meal is coming from. No one should have to live this way, and with your help we can give these families the support they need. We have 1,500 students in the building. If every student brought two items we could reach our goal of 3,000 items. Three thousand items seems like a lot, but we know it's possible.
So, starting Monday, please bring in your nonperishable food items to your homeroom teacher. The drive runs until Thursday, November 15.
HR teachers, we will be happy to present to your class one day next week, but 6th graders, we'll see all of you on Monday morning.
So pick up a few items this weekend from the store, and help make this year's drive a big success. Have a great weekend and thanks for giving!

There is **Quiz Bowl** today (Friday). Again, there is Quiz Bowl today (Friday). That is all we have to say about that.

Today (Friday) is the **last day of the 1st quarter**. We made it 1/4 of the way through the year already! Finish up those last-minute assignments for quarter 1 and be sure to check PowerSchool over the weekend so you know where to go on Monday for your next quarter classes or room changes.

**Gold Team** will be meeting Wednesday, November 7th @ 7:10 in gym A/B

Attention **Winter Sports Athletes**! Please listen carefully to the following meeting locations for each sport on Wednesday, November 7th after school; Boys' Basketball- Meet in GYM A/B: Boys Locker Room Side Girls' Basketball- Meet in GYM A/B: Girls Locker Room Side Wrestling- Meet in the Wrestling Room If you cannot attend the Winter Sports Meeting, please contact the coach.

The **cross-country team's** end of season pizza party will be held on Wednesday right after school in the HMS library. Clean uniform tops will be collected at the party. If you can't stay please stop in to return your uniform. If you have any questions see Mrs. Brock in room 10 or Mrs. Young in room 202.

ATTENTION ALL **7th and 8th grade students interested in trying out for this year's musical**! We will be having an interest meeting next Wednesday after school in the auditorium. That's right, Wednesday November 7th! You will learn what the show is, what to prepare for auditions, and all other information necessary about being a part of the musical. We CAN'T wait to see everyone there! The following day will be the audition dance day, so make sure to mark your calendars for both Wednesday and Thursday November 7th and 8th. Any questions? See Ms. Stump or Ms. Psitos! Get ready for a good time!

Do you want to be part of this year's musicals but don't want to be seen on stage? Do you have a fascination about lights and sound and all things **theater tech** related? Do you enjoy moving set pieces in the dark, quickly and quietly before anyone can see you? If you answered yes to any of these questions, you might be interested in joining the Tech Crew Club at HMS. An informational meeting will be held on Friday, Nov. 9th in Ms. Psitos's room, room 284 for all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students interested in being part of Tech Crew. This brief meeting will only last until 3pm! Any questions, please ask Ms. Psitos.

**Bowling club** permission slips are hanging up outside of Ms. Harris's room- 238, in the 6th grade hallway. Please return the permission slip by next Friday, November 9th, to either Ms. Harris, in room 238, or Mrs. Datner, room 236. Bowling club will start on Thursday, November 15th.

Hey HMS, did you go trick-or-treating and usually throw out half of the candy that you got? Well, than listen to this! As part of our caring HMS community, everyone at Haverford Middle School is asked to donate any unwanted or leftover Halloween candy to "**Operation Gratitude**" beginning today through Monday. All candy donations can be placed in a large ziplock bag and brought to the 6th, 7th or 8th grade offices or Mrs. Young, in room 202. Please consider helping out "Operation Gratitude" by donating some candy. Your waistline and dentist will thank you and so will the veterans, deployed troops, and first responders receiving the candy.

Attention **Gaming Club** members, our next meeting will be Monday, November 5th, after school in Mr. Huth's room due to the in-service day on Tuesday. Again, our next meeting is Monday, in Mr. Huth's room 252. See you there!

HMS - It's the day you've been waiting for all year. No, not the start of PSSAs. No, not your next nurse's health screening. And no, not tuna casserole day. It's the start of **Actor's Workshop**! Don't know what Actor's Workshop is? No problem, neither do we! In short, if you like to act, even if it's just puppet shows for your gerbil, come on out. Learn the art of making stuff up in the ancient art of comedy improv. Bring a friend or rent one for the day. We will meet this coming Thursday in room 152. See Mr. Langin if you have any questions. Open to all!

**Brass Ensemble** will have their first rehearsal before school on Monday, November 5th. Please make sure to arrive by 7 AM!

The **6th grade teachers are proud to announce the October Students of the Month**. These students have continued to show tremendous work ethic, leadership, and focus in all of their classes. From the Polar Bears: TJ Hayes, Danny Tran, Riona Crossan, Leena Fadul. From the Sea Lions: Barbara Monzo, Jazzy Johnson, Ezekiel Bates, Matt Hippert. Congratulations to these 8 students and keep up the good work!

The **H-PRIDE incentive** for the week is an H-Pride string backpack. In order to receive this incentive, write your full name and homeroom teacher ‘s name on the back of your H-PRIDE card. Place your card in the bins located in the cafeteria. You will receive your backpack in homeroom within the week.

This **gold earring was found** on the front steps on Thursday. We think it may belong to a parent or staff member. If you recognize this earring, or have lost your house key, please come to the tech office to claim it.