

A message from HARLAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Harlan Husky Families,

It was really nice to see so many families this week during conferences and to have the Book Fair back up and running again. It was fun to see the kids' excitement when they walked into the Book Fair for the first time in a long time. I am sure many of you remember that feeling as well.

I would like to thank the Harlan PTA, Jessica Pulis, Andrea Papadopoulos, the Keillor Family and all of the community members who donated to the staff dinners on Wednesday and Thursday during conferences. This truly means a great deal to all of us as it not only provides us with food, but an opportunity for us to get together as a staff and enjoy one another's company.

Please enjoy the extra time coming up next week with your family and/or friends for Thanksgiving. Personally, I am thankful to work with such an outstanding community!

Sincerely,

Alex

HARLAN HUSKY WEEKLY NEWS

THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AHEAD

Saturday, November 20 – Robotics competition at Kettering University in Flint

Monday, November 22 (A) –Basketball Class (2nd – 5th) 3:50 – 4:50 PM

Tuesday, November 23 (B) –

Wednesday, November 24 – No School

Thursday, November 25 – No School...Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday, November 26 – No School

Monday, November 29 (D) – Basketball Class (2nd – 5th) 3:50 – 4:50

PM; Cartooning Class (K- 4th) 3:50 – 4:50 PM; Drama Kids Class (1st – 5th) 3:50 – 5:20 PM

Tuesday, November 30 (A)

Wednesday, December 1 (B) – No PTA Meeting; Cheer & Dance Class (K – 5th) 3:50 – 4:50 PM

Thursday, December 2 (C) – Glee Club 8 – 8:43 AM

Friday, December 3 (D) – Learn To Sew Tote Bag Class (3rd – 5th) 3:50 – 5:20 PM

ART NEWSLETTER

The students have been busy in art and are looking forward to what is to come this December. Please look at the [newsletter](#) for more information.

THE LIBRARY CONNECTION

Upcoming news from the library! Checkout our newsletter for what is happening in November by clicking the link below!

In this issue - <https://www.smore.com/gosvh>

- Battle of the Books coming soon
- What students are working on in November
- MISelf in Books weekly Zoom event
- Policies and procedures/how to's
- Birthday Books form if you missed it

Previous Library Connection Newsletters can be found here: <https://www.birmingham.k12.mi.us/Page/11685>

Follow us on twitter @HarlanLibrary2

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

The gingerbread class has been cancelled and all participants have been notified.

TOYS FOR TOTS

The Harlan Cub Scouts are collecting new, unused and unwrapped toys for the annual Marine Corp “Toys For Tots” to be given to area kids who are in need. The bins will be in the Harlan lobby from November 12 – December 8. Here is the [link](#) to the flyer.

HARLAN SNOW CLUB

We are excited to announce the upcoming arrival of the Harlan Snow Club! This awesome club is being offered to kids ages 7+ of all ski and snowboard ability levels. Harlan Snow Club is a winter adventure that your child is sure to enjoy! Participants will relish any opportunity to shred the slopes of Pine Knob, make new friends, practice some independence, and glean some timeless memories with family and friends.

What to do:

- To register click [SIGN ME UP](#)

Need to know:

- Again this year! Tickets, rentals, and membership cards will be sold and distributed outside Harlan, weekly, Fridays before we hit the slopes.

- Families may bring children 6 years & under and get 1/2 PRICE lift tickets & rentals! Membership cards are not necessary for 6 and under but no lessons are available for those ages.
- Harlan family informational meeting will take place on Friday 11/19 at 4:30 PM via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8587877717?pwd=WjlCeGhtYnRGOFRIId2ZFNm5OTEh3UTo9>

- Meeting ID: 858 7877 7717
- Passcode: dq4gh5
- The program takes place at Pine Knob on Mondays, 3:30- 8:00 PM, from late December to March.
- Parents will provide transportation to and from the mountain.
- The cost for membership in the club is \$25 (lift tickets are \$25 each week).
- For more information, click [SNOW CLUB INFO](#).

We can hardly wait to see you on the slopes!!! Coordinators: Jason Hill & Liz Wilde

HARLAN KIDS CLUB

Kids Club is open every morning and afternoon on full days of school. Afternoon Kids Club (12:05-6:00 pm) will be offered on the following half days of school: December 8, February 2, March 23-24 and May 11. Half day attendance must be scheduled in advance. There are no drop-ins or unscheduled visits on half day afternoons. Please note that morning Kids Club is offered on all school days. For registration information, click [here](#).

HARLAN PTA NEWS REFLECTIONS

Does your student enjoy art, music and dance or have an interest in writing, producing films and taking photos? Then have them join us in unleashing their inner artist with PTA Reflections! This year's theme, "I Will Change the World by . . .," calls for their own unique interpretations through the arts. All entries are due electronically by Tuesday, November 23rd to jessica.whitten.j@gmail.com. Every participant gets a certificate and celebrated in the spring. For more information see [flyer](#) and visit www.birmingham.k12.mi.us/pta_reflections.

HARLAN PRINTED DIRECTORIES

If you placed an order for your school directory, it will be coming home Monday with the oldest child. These directories are handy with school contacts and resources as well as class lists and parent contact information. We have a few available for purchase for

anyone who missed the deadline. If you are interested, please email harlanhuskiespta@gmail.com to secure your copy.

ROBOTICS

The Harlan Robotics teams have been hard at work and are ready for their competition. If you are interested in cheering on the teams, here is the information about the competitions. Good luck to our teams! Go Huskies!

- Robo Primers and Robo Dominators are both competing in BULLDOG CLASSIC on **November 20, 2021** at Kettering University in Flint.

YEARBOOK

If you have great photos of Harlan students, look below and you will find Google Photo Folders for the Yearbook. Please upload your pictures to the links below for your chance to have your child(ren) in the 2021-2022 yearbook. These links will also be available on Facebook Harlan PTA page. We will be starting to design pages, so be sure to upload soon! If we are missing anything, please email: nmasseysadeghi@gmail.com.

First Day of School Yearbook Photos: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/APocDX7ACRBMBjFx5>

Walk to School/Get Fit Day: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/VqpCTfNUfYGynRRK7>

Cub Scout Yearbook Photos: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/EpuHHhBuuReYgcegq7>

Girl Scouts: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/kwQzR2NGzGUudtWQ8>

Spirit Week: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/a1UkzBT3ycnAo3Mw9>

Pizza and Pumpkins: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/cqkuy1A3zes8unA48>

Halloween: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/yU444GBMubWr3E5o6>

Scarecrow Contest: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/sU1KRFjTncK8C1XU9>

Pre-School: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/YsyPDbLa7fcGgiBaA>

Kindergarten: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/bxQxdBuAnuQ2EaAb9>

First Grade: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/idjE6j4QLw2FrB5e8>

Second Grade: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/a97qxmMwVv3maMnbA>

Third Grade: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/3ygh2jWYpY2qyXb59>

Fourth Grade: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/mKxLVSJ5BCxpR3oz8>

Fifth Grade: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/wLkif74wfifgCZb69>

Glee Club: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/mntSjc3qxpZ55eeK6>

Math Pentathlon: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/gTaLc1WC7ziaB9Mm7>

Robotics: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/Zfmo3sZQZQwLLqkb9>

Ski Club: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/3jskiNHJugK7sp5H6>

Art: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/Vphn8f7fxZpa6Mhc6>

Gym: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/R63cvJuSghx8bF6K9>

Spanish: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/2yWs9C7XUEXX6zkk7>

Library: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/FyQEH3RotGiozgQN6>

Music: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/2F78nR1hjnwb4r9N9>

FAMILY FUN NIGHT DECEMBER: TRIVIA NIGHT - DECEMBER 10TH

Join us for a fun night of virtual trivia, hosted by our own Bryan Laabs. Games will begin at 7:00pm. All ages are welcome and encouraged to participate! We will have several rounds - some questions just for the kids and some for the grown-up's or older kids! The top Harlan family will win a special surprise along with bragging rights that they are the smartest family at Harlan! Will the Rucinski's defend their title or will we have a new family take the title? Mark your calendars and get cozy for an evening of Harlan Family Fun on Zoom!

Topic: Harlan Family Trivia Night 2021

Time: Dec 10, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81778593905?pwd=ak9hS1oyaUNLRVBodHRMTElLS2xhZz09>

Meeting ID: 817 7859 3905

Passcode: harlan

SHOP FOR THE HOLIDAYS AND GIVE BACK TO HARLAN

This holiday season we are happy to partner with [Minted](#), [Amazon Smile](#), Scrip (for ALL gift card purchases), Toyology and more! See [flyer](#) and specific links for details on how you can link up purchases to give back to Harlan! Go Huskies!

Upcoming Events:

November 24-26 - Thanksgiving Break

December 1st - PTA Meeting Cancelled

December 10 - Family Fun Trivia Night

December 16 - Popcorn Day

December 20-21 - Winter Classroom Celebrations

December 22-January 2 - Winter Recess

January 7 - Family Fun Night - Build-a-Husky

January 12 - PTA Meeting

For more information click here to see the [Harlan November Newsletter](#).

DISTRICT NEWS

BEF ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN

Please support the Birmingham Education Foundation in their Annual Fund Campaign by making a donation TODAY!

The [mission](#) of the BEF is to create exceptional education experiences by connecting innovative teachers with community support. Each year the BEF provides [teacher grants](#) for activities that directly impact your children. Visit supportBEF.org to learn more and to donate.

FRIENDS

Join us virtually on Thursday, December 2nd at 7:30 PM to hear from Dave Brooks, Principal of Lincoln Street Alternative and high school BVA. He will speak on both these learning options as well as adding virtual classes to an in person schedule. Click here to see the [flyer](#) with more information.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88620338016>

INFLUENZA A OUTBREAK

The Oakland County Health Department wants to remind everyone to get the flu shot due to the current outbreak of Influenza A in the state. Click [here](#) for more information regarding the outbreak in Michigan.

Also, here is the link to the MDHHS press

release: https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-73970_71692_71696-572552--00.html

OPENINGS IN THE GSRP PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

The BPS Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP), a preschool program, located at Bingham Farms, has available openings for children who are 4 years old. GSRP is a state-funded, grant program that is FREE for families who qualify. For more information, please contact Laura Tinsley, 248-203-5805, LTinsley@birmingham.k12.mi.us.

LATINO FAMILY NETWORK (LAFAN)

Do you have Hispanic or Latino Heritage or would you like to connect and celebrate our traditions and culture? Click [here](#) for more information about LAFAN and how to join our network.

BIRMINGHAM PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE NEEDS MEMBERS

Birmingham's Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) is looking for new members. The purpose of PAC is to serve as an advisory committee to Birmingham administration. Members must have a child with a current IEP attending one of our schools/programs. Attached you will find additional information and a membership application. We welcome and encourage parents and guardians to join this important group! Click on these links for more information and application:

[Brochure](#)

[FAQs](#)

[Application](#)

BPS SATURDAY SCHOOL

The BPS Saturday School is back again this year and running virtually throughout the 2021-2022 school year. The BPS Saturday School provides free tutoring for BPS

students grades K – 12 who need help in any grade level and in any academic area. Our BPS staff that serve as coordinators and their National Honor Society volunteer tutors are looking forward to working with students in need of tutoring on Saturdays from 9 am – 11 am each week (see official dates below). **All K-12 BPS students** are welcome to receive this free tutoring opportunity for ALL subject areas.

How to Join Saturday School

To join Saturday School, please click on the following Zoom link:

Zoom

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2047672482?pwd=T3pVU1REUXZTN09NM1MvSSsrVTJiZz09>

Saturday School sessions for the 2021-2022 school year:

November: 20

December: 4, 11, 18

January: 8, 22, 29

February: 5, 12, 19

March: 5, 12, 19

April: 9, 23, 30

May: 7, 14, 21

CHARTWELLS IS HIRING

Are you looking for flexible work hours while your kids are at school? Chartwells is now hiring! If you are interested, please click [here](#) to find out more information.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

School breakfast and lunches will be free for all students at school when the entire meal is taken. If your family would qualify for free or reduced lunch prior to COVID, please fill out the application. It is still important to fill out the application if you feel your family would qualify for this low income program during a normal school year. Why is this important? This one form helps with the following items: school funding, increased funding for schools to ensure that students receive the support they need for a comprehensive, world-class education. Reduced fees for sports and athletics, college application fees, increased technology funds for schools to improve internet access and network services. Your application helps all of our students at Birmingham Public Schools. Thank you for completing the form at your earliest convenience. Click on this easy [link](#) to complete the application for Birmingham Public Schools. Please see the flyer from Chartwells [here](#) for more information.

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