

Parents/Guardians,

January seemed to come and go so quickly!! However, we are so thankful to have avoided the loss of instructional time with snow days, as well as Snow Jam 2014. February is a very busy month. We hope to see you at school in the near future. Your support of our school makes Hickory Hills a wonderful learning community!

**February 5th** - YELLS Afterschool Program 6:30 PM - Join Dr. Lembeck as she hosts a Community Connections program from Marietta parents, guardians and community members interested in learning how to access services and support resources for student achievement or just want to learn more about MCS. See the attachment for more information!

**February 6th** - iMoms Breakfast 7:15-8:00 AM - Moms, join your students for breakfast and inspiration! iMoms exists for you - to inspire you to love your family well. We want to give you help and hope so that you can enjoy the days to come...being a mom!

**February 10th** 5:00-8:00 PM - Zaxby's Spirit Night at Kennestone Zaxby's - Proceeds benefit our PTA!

**February 12th** - 3rd Quarter Progress Reports Go Home

**February 13th** - All Pro Dads 7:15-8:00 AM - Dads, join your students for breakfast and bonding! All Pro Dads provides you with helpful ways to strengthen the relationship with your children.

**February 13th** - HH'art - This evening event at the Marietta/Cobb Museum of Art is a fundraiser for parents only. Original pieces of artwork, created by local artists in collaboration with Hickory Hills students, will be auctioned off to benefit our PTA. Look for more information to come!

**Friday, February 13th** 7:00 PM; and **Saturday, February 14th** 2:00 PM - Join us in supporting MSGA's spring musical, *Alice in Wonderland Jr.* Tickets can be purchased for \$7.00 each online at [mpac.marietta-city.org](http://mpac.marietta-city.org), or at the box office.

**February 16th - February 18th** - Mid-winter Break; **February 19th - February 20th** - Professional Learning Days (No school for students)

**Coming Soon...February 25th** K-2nd grade 10:30-11:30 AM; 3rd-5th grade 12:00-1:00 PM - Reading Lunch and Learn for Parents - Hosted by our district Literacy Coaches, parents interested in learning more about how the Common Core State Standards have changed the rigor of reading in the classroom, or if you're looking for ways to help your child at home you should attend these sessions!

**Register NOW! - Affordable After-School Dance Classes** - Register now for affordable after-school dance classes at Hickory Hills Elementary! Spaces are available for students interested in hip-hop, jazz, choreography, improvisation and creative movement. All classes are from 3:30-

4:30 pm in the Hickory Hills Elementary dance studio and the reduced tuition rate is only \$30 for 8 classes. Come out and explore new ways of moving! If you would like to register or have any questions, please contact Ms. Dunn at [adunn@marietta-city.k12.ga.us](mailto:adunn@marietta-city.k12.ga.us).

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grades- Hip Hop with Patrice Bryant - 3:30-4:30 pm - Fridays- February 27, March 6, 20, 27, April 3, 17, 24, May 1

2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades- Choreography & Jazz with Christopher Hall - 3:30-4:30 pm - Wednesdays- February 25, March 4, 18, 25, April 1, 15, 22, 29

Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> Grades- Creative Movement with Makeda Bryce - 3:30-4:30 pm - Thursdays- February 26, March 5, 19, 26, April 2, 16, 23, 30

### ***Messages from our PTA...***

Please remember to buy your 2014-2015 Yearbook! They are on sale either online at [www.ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://www.ybpay.lifetouch.com) or you can request a form from the front office. The price is \$20 and all checks should be made out to Hickory Hills PTA. All students who pre-order their yearbook are invited to a signing party in May.

PTA is now selling Hickory Hills' Terrvis Tumblers! Support our school and purchase a HH Terrvis Tumbler for \$15.00. They are sold daily in the front office!

*Vision: Inspire. Empower. Achieve.*

*Mission: To prepare students for life success through an academically rigorous environment enhanced with the arts.*

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