



## *Weekly Parent Reminders*

*November 9, 2023*

### **Important Dates**

November 10 – No School (Veterans Day)

November 14 – Vaccination Clinic

November 17 – Coffee with the Principal (9:00 am)

November 22-24 – No school (Thanksgiving Break)

### **Mary Center Newsletter**

**PARENT ENGLISH:** <https://www.maryscenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/November-23-Monthly-Flyer-Caregivers-Eng-2.pdf>

**PARENT SPANISH:** <https://www.maryscenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/November-23-Monthly-Flyer-Caregivers-Spanish.pdf>

### **Girls on the Run 5K!!**

Each season of Girls on the Run comes to an end with a celebratory 5K. This closing event gives program participants of all abilities a tangible sense of accomplishment. Crossing the finish line instills confidence through completion and is a joyful moment program participants always remember! Our 5K is scheduled to take place at Anacostia Park (rain or shine) on **November 19 at 8 am**. We need buddy runners for our 30 girls who will be participating. You do NOT need to be an experienced runner to participate. You can stroll, walk or run across the finish line. To sign up, please sign-up: They are offering a \$10 discount off when you use the code FAMILYFALL23:

<https://www.pinwheel.us/register/index/fa5kyay?sid=2dae75132ada420eb7b3c3517483a995>

### **Vaccination Clinic**

Great news! We will have a student vaccination clinic at school on November 14<sup>th</sup>. If your student needs any vaccines, please register your student! If you register ahead of time, parents do NOT need to be present. Parents have 2 options:

Complete the registration link for your student which allows you to pick an appointment time and complete the consent form in advance. If you register, you do NOT need to be present on the day of the clinic.

If you do not complete the registration link you must be present at time of vaccination.

<https://www.safeway.com/vaccinations/group-clinic/HDCooke>

Please call the main office (202-939-5390) or stop by if you have any questions.

### **Annual Food Drive**

We are kicking off our Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive! Our goal this school year is to be able to fill 50+ bags for families in need! We have created Wishlist to start collecting some items! Please visit the lists and donate what you can. We will accept any non-perishable items or items on the Wishlist.

Drop off containers will be at the main entrance, or you can bring to the main office.

<https://www.walmart.com/lists/shared/WL/74c25ad0-36c0-4057-82c8-cf7bb9aa1c5d>



## **Pantry Program**

Do you have a student that goes to H.D. Cooke? Would you benefit from having a little more food and/or toiletries at home this month?



H.D. Cooke is partnering with DC Food Project to receive monthly donations of minimal food and toiletries. If you have a student at H.D. Cooke and your family could benefit from receiving a little extra food and/or toiletries this month, please complete this referral. A staff member will be in touch upon receipt of the referral in the next 7-10 school days. Thank you!

Referral link for families - <https://forms.office.com/r/aXyzHV9FJj> or use the QR Code below.

## **“Self-Dismissal” and Sibling Pickup Permission Form**

All students in grades *PK 3 through 5* must have a signed permission form on file to walk or take public transportation home alone or with a sibling. No student will be allowed to leave school alone or with a sibling until the attached form has been signed and returned to the main office.

This form is only required for students who are walking or taking public transportation home without their parent, guardian, or another adult who is authorized by you to pick them up. Please return a separate signed form for each of your children.

Students will not be allowed to walk home at dismissal if this form is not returned.

To complete the form online, visit: <https://forms.office.com/r/jHiWsvahne>

## **Kids Ride Free Metro/Bus Cards**

The Kids Ride Free program allows students enrolled in DC Public Schools, DC Charter Schools, and DC private/parochial schools to receive a KRF SmarTrip card for free travel to and from school and school-related activities within the District of Columbia, using Metrorail, Metrobus or the DC Circulator. Please contact the main office (202-939-5390) if your student needs a SmarTrip card for the new school year for the bus or metro.

## **Social Media**

Follow us on our social media pages to get information and see what we are up to:

Facebook: [facebook.com/HDCookeES](https://www.facebook.com/HDCookeES)

Instagram & Twitter: @HDCookeES