**October 1, 2014 Harris Elementary Patriot Press**

Hello Harris Families!

It is hard to believe it is October already! Many great things are taking place at Harris Elementary.

Here are a few important items:

* **Volunteer Forms**-If you plan to attend a field trip or volunteer in your child’s classroom at any time during the year, we encourage you to complete a volunteer form.
* **Marsh Fresh Ideas for Education**-Marsh is requesting that all parents update their records. Please complete to help us earn school equipment! Participation is free! Our school number is 28576. Thank you for your support!
* What: **Free developmental screenings for children ages 3-5**

Why: If you suspect delays in speech, readiness, motor skills, or other areas of development in your preschooler, early intervention is the best strategy to remediate these delays before kindergarten.

Who: Contact Janice Cassell, preschool intake coordinator or Michelle Muckerheide, school psychologist at 462-9219 to schedule a free screening

* **Congratulations to our Character Students of the Month**:

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|  Makayla Wright |
| Elise Ford |
| Lucy Castner |
| Xoey Gossage |
| Kaylin Jacobs |
| Marlena Johnson |
| Charlotte Riehle |
| Kaydence Westbrook |
| Andrew Vinard |
| Ava Hudziak |
| Gracie Stanley |
| Landon Brooks |
| Silas Frye |
| Will Ellis |
| Aaron Fair |
| Dewayne Perron |
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* **Congratulations to our Authors of the Month**:

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| Kenzie Greer |
| Kaiya Andrews |
| Alexis Alexander |
| Xoey Gossage |
| Abbegail Wyatt |
| Zachary Griffith |
| Tryston Helsley |
| Jackson Woodcock |
| Evan McIntire |
| Layla Henderson |
| Caleb Curry |
| Peighton Jordan |
| Simon McGill |
| Layla Gordon |
| Savanna Whisman |
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* **From the Math Coaches Corner**

Apps are cheap, easy and handy. Chances are your child has already downloaded a few to your or her device. It may shoot, scream, play, read or teach. Given the diversity of flavors, you will want to be involved, and indeed you can guide your kids quickly and efficiently. Suggested below are some interesting educational apps that can help you present math to your child.

* iHangMath by Ocean Blue Apps

A creative adaptation of the old favorite Hangman game .Instead of the words you have a random multiplication sentence to decode.

* MotionMath by MotionMath

Learn fractions the Wii-style. MotionMath utilizes the iPhone's ability to sense motion with its gyroscope and gives players a physical connection to fractions and the number line.

* PopMath, PopMath Lite, PopMath Plus by Pop Soft

Practice addition, subtraction, multiplication and division by popping corresponding bubbles on the screen.

* Tangrams

Little kids will enjoy this centuries-old game while practicing some basic geometry skills.

* Set by Pockent, LLC

Great card matching game for all ages. Develops logical thinking. Set Lite is free.

* Rush Hour by ThinkFun, Inc.  Start with the Free app, which offers 10 puzzles on each complexity level.

Treat Lite versions of the apps as product samples. They just provide a taste but are never enough for a delicious meal. If you like what you play, get a full app version that offers many more puzzles and challenges.

* The Greenfield-Central High School’s Biomedical Innovations and Student Leadership Academy is having a Trick or Treat for **Canned Food Drive** from October 20-31. All proceeds will go to the local food pantry and soup kitchen. You may send canned goods into Harris Elementary.
* **Upcoming Dates**:

Oct. 3 Parade of Flowers for grades 2 and 3 1:00 pm

Oct. 6-17 Fall Break NO SCHOOL

Oct. 28 Picture re-take day

Oct. 28-29 Parent Teacher Conferences 3:00-6:30 pm

Enjoy your Fall Vacation,

Mrs. Jan Kehrt, Principal

***Super Saturday 2.0 at Purdue University***

Super Saturday 2.0 is a newly designed format of our long-running Super Saturday program. Super Saturday 2.0 is only available in Fall 2014 and Super Saturday Classic will continue in Spring 2015.

Super Saturday 2.0 is a family-oriented program designed to meet the needs of academically, creatively, and artistically talented children from pre- kindergarten through fifth grade. **Children and their parents will attend one day of challenging, hands-on activities related to a central theme.** The content of the STEM focused courses is at least two grade levels above each child’s current grade level. Each child will explore concepts and ideas in the STEM related fields, while parents gain experience working with open- ended activities that require critical and creative thinking. **Snacks and water will be provided.**

**October 25, 9 a.m.— noon**

􏰀􏰁Grades Pre K-K—FOOTSTEPS INTO THE PAST

Journey back in time when Dinosaurs roamed the Earth. Our fascina- tion with these ancient creatures has captured imaginations for centu- ries. You will learn about how they lived, their physical characteristics, and explore their unique behaviors.

􏰀􏰁$30 per student (Costs include fees for one child and one parent/ adult)

**November 1, 9 a.m.— 2 p.m. Includes a one hour lunch break**

􏰀􏰁Grades 1-2—WINGS OF GLORY – PHYSICS OF FLIGHT

Would you like to explore the scientific principles of flight and investi- gate the history of aviation? In this class you will create scale models of airplanes of the past while calculating aspect ratio, wingspan, and cen- ter of gravity. Join us and imagine yourself as the next Flying Ace.

􏰀􏰁$40 per student (Costs include fees for one child and one parent/ adult)

**November 8, 9 a.m.— 4 p.m. Includes a one hour lunch break**

􏰀􏰁Grades 3-5—FERROEQUINOLOGY – THE PHYSICS OF THE MODEL TRAIN

The Study of the Iron Horse: There are many types of model trains abd you will have the opportunity to observe and investigate the different types of trains. The physics demonstrated in model railroading provides a better understanding of Newton's Laws of Motion.

􏰀􏰁$50 per student (Costs include fees for one child and one parent/ adult)

**REGISTER ONLINE AT: WWW.CONF.PURDUE.EDU/SUPSAT14F**