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National Walk and Bike to School Day

Wednesday, October 10th

Student Directory Verification Deadline

Monday, October 15th

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Evening PTO Meeting with Principal Aiello

Wednesday, October 17th

7:00pm Large Pod

Vision and Hearing Screening Day

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Gymnasium

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Friday, October 19th

Dive into Reading Book Fair

Monday, October 22nd - Friday, October 26th

Large Pod

Book Fair Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, October 23rd

6:00 - 8:00pm Cafeteria

Room Parent 101 Training Meeting Coming Soon!

We will be conducting a follow up Room Parent meeting to go over all the tools you need to get started and to have a fun and successful year! As soon as the date is set, we will let everyone know. Stay tuned! And until then, if you have any questions, please reach out to Kathy Carey at kathy10md@hotmail.com.

SHE Student Directory Verification Deadline is October 15th!

New families and returning Spring Hill families will need to enter or verify their information no later than October 15th! Please visit

<https://springhillpto.org/she-directory/>

New Family Registration:

If you have not previously registered with the Spring Hill AtoZ online Student Directory, step by step instructions on how to register can be found by visiting our Spring Hill PTO Directory page and then following the 'New Family Registration' quick link.

Each Fall, parents will need to verify the information in the directory prior to the deadline. Verification is the best way for you to add OR remove contact information. If you have chosen to opt out in the past, please make sure your settings have not changed over the summer. If your information changes during the year, you can update it at any time online; changes made are published immediately.

Please visit the AtoZ Online Directory to verify your information from last year. Additional log-in instructions can be found by visiting our Spring Hill PTO Directory page and following the 'Accessing the Online Student Directory' link.

Our private student directory is for the exclusive use of Spring Hill students, parents and staff. The directory is to be used solely for school business (scheduling play dates, inviting students to birthday parties, emailing teachers, contacting room parents, etc.) - use of contact information for solicitation is prohibited.

Advertising in the Student Directory

There is no better way to reach the parents of Spring Hill Elementary students than by advertising in our directory - placements are available both in our printed directory and newly upgraded app. The directory is an indispensable resource and consulted regularly by Spring Hill families, faculty, and staff. Support your child's school and your business at the same time! To advertise in the student directory, fill out this Student Directory Advertising Request Form or contact Monica Christensen at AtoZ with questions.

Any additional questions can be directed to springhillptodirectory@gmail.com.

Vision and Hearing Screening Day is October 18th! Volunteers Needed!

We need volunteers to make sure the screening day is smooth and successful!

No previous training required!

Two separate volunteer sessions available:

1st session: 8:30 - 11:35am

2nd session: 11:35am - 3:15pm

Please arrive promptly for quick volunteer instructions!

Sign up by contacting the clinic:

703-506-3410 OR email KALarkin1@fcps.edu

National Walk and Bike to School Day

Wednesday, October 10th is National Bike or Walk to School Day!

For the ninth consecutive year, Spring Hill will celebrate the day as a way to promote physical activity while reducing traffic congestion and pollution near schools.

How does it work?

- Bike or walk to school on Wednesday, October 10th with neighborhood friends and parents OR

- Walk to your bus stop and ride your bus if you usually get a ride to school (this cuts down on traffic and is better for the environment)
- All students arriving on foot (or bike or scooter) on October 10th should enter school that day through Door 7, where they can sign their name on a banner and receive a token of appreciation for participating!

Tell all your friends and join in the fun tomorrow!

Dive into Reading at the Book Fair!

The Spring Hill PTO's annual Book Fair will be held Monday, October 22nd - Friday, October 26th!

The large pod will be transformed into our very own coral reef, filled with a treasure trove of books, critical thinking games and activities for the students to explore!

Check out the link on the PTO website for all the info!

<https://springhillpto.org/book-fair/>

We need LOTS of volunteers! Click on the link below to sign up.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c44a9ae2aa1f94-spring>

Cashiers must attend our cashier training on Tuesday, October 9th from 10:00-11:00am in the school's first floor computer room.

Art Poster Contest - Students are invited to show off their creativity during the Book Fair Art Poster Contest! A gift certificate to the Book Fair will be awarded to one student in each grade level and to one overall winner. All artwork will be displayed at school during the Book Fair.

Submissions are due Tuesday, October 16th!

Click on the link below for the all the info.

<https://springhillpto.files.wordpress.com/2018/09/book-fair-2018-poster-contest.pdf>

Schedule

Monday, October 22nd

12:00pm – 4:00pm (class preview day)

Tuesday, October 23rd

8:20am – 4:00pm (class preview and shopping day)

Ice Cream Social

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Wednesday, October 24th

8:20am – 4:00pm (class shopping)

Thursday, October 25th

8:20am – 4:00pm (class shopping)

Friday, October 26th

8:20am – 10:30am (shopping)

*Parents and community members are welcome to shop throughout the week.

Library Volunteers Needed!

With the children in school and visiting the library regularly, that means hundreds of books in and out of the library each week! We are looking for some additional library volunteers to help with reshelving books, assisting students that come into the library, and completing other projects as they arise. Timing can be flexible to suit you: usually 1-2 hours at a time – weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly are all possible. Training will be provided. To volunteer or ask questions please contact Maryam Malik at maryammalik713@gmail.com.

How can you support the PTO and Spring Hill Elementary?

Did you know that last year, the PTO appropriated \$32,000 for computers for your children's use, \$25,000 on Math Workbooks and over \$15,000 on school improvements?

Your children directly benefit from funds allocated by the PTO every single day of school and there are LOTS of ways to show your support!

Please visit the link below to see all the available opportunities!

<https://springhillpto.files.wordpress.com/2018/10/support-the-pto.pdf>

New Box Tops Deadline

Due date for the second Box Tops raffle contest is Friday, October 19th!

Please turn in all of your Box Tops for Education to raise free money for Spring Hill! If you need more forms, please go to the PTO website

<https://springhillpto.org> and click on the Box Tops tab to print off additional

forms. If you have 50 or more, please put them in a ziplock bag with your name /teacher's name/ grade.

Box Tops are worth 10 cents of free money for Spring Hill. Thank you for supporting this school-wide community service program!

<https://springhillpto.files.wordpress.com/2018/08/box-tops-extra-form.pdf>

Would you like to work with the PTO?

Positions Available on the 2018-19 PTO Board

We're seeking energetic candidates for these roles:

- Fundraising
- Treasurer

The PTO works to directly benefit the students at Spring Hill Elementary! Our parents and teachers work together to provide educational enrichment programs, family fun events, fundraising for school equipment & technology, faculty support, field trips, after school activities, and much more!

Please contact Denys King at 703-738- 9048 or via email at Springhillptopresident@gmail.com if you are interested in working with the PTO.

To Do List

1. Join the PTO!

Your \$10 PTO membership includes a printed directory and the ability to register for the Chess Club and Outside School Activities without paying a separate registration fee. Please visit <https://springhillpto.org>.

2. Contribute to the Fall Fundraiser

The \$100 per student suggested donation covers our budgeted activities and allows us to use the money from additional fundraisers – like Bids for Kids and Fun Fair – for large purchases, such as technology and landscaping. Your support directly benefits each and every student at SHES, as well as our faculty and staff.

Please visit <https://springhillpto.org>.

How to Stay Informed

- 1) Read our weekly online newsletter - The Scoop
- 2) Like us on Facebook at Spring Hill PTO
- 3) Attend monthly PTO meetings
- 4) Look for weekly flyers in your child's Thursday folders

5) Bookmark <https://springhillpto.org>

Thank you to...

Thank you to everyone who attended the New Family Coffee and Playdate last week! It was a wonderful chance to mix and mingle with newcomers to our Spring Hill community!

Thank you to our generous sponsors!

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The Neurology Center

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There are still limited opportunities to be a sponsor for the 2018-2019 school year. Check out springhillpto.org/sponsors or email Stephanie Short springhillptofundraiser@gmail.com for more information.

Also, did you know that if your company provides matching funds for charitable or PAC donations, the PTO is a 501(c)(3)! There are LOTS of ways to help support the PTO!

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