

HILLCREST MIDDLE SCHOOL

7th GRADE NEWSLETTER

510 Garrison Road, Simpsonville, SC 29681

JANUARY 19, 2012



STUDENT COURSE REGISTRATION FOR 2012-2013

February 2012 we will begin registration for your student's courses for the next school year. Students will review/select their related arts choices in the HMS computer lab February 13-17, and parents will have an opportunity to assist in this process at home during this window of time. Present academic teachers will make recommendations February 6-10. If you are unfamiliar with the Student Registration Process on the computer or you do not have access to the internet at home, you may come to HMS February 16 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm for training or call Guidance at 355-6114 for an appointment.

**HMS website will have all important dates posted by January 27.
Please mark these dates on your calendar!!!**

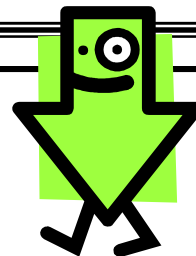
MIDDLE SCHOOL SUCCESS

The faculty of HMS is sponsoring a parent workshop on January 24 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the HMS cafeteria. Speakers will be HMS school psychologist Chris Abee and Jim Moran, Mental Health Counselor.

There will be a FREE hot dog supper, GREAT door prizes, and FREE childcare.

PLEASE COME!!!!!!

IMPORTANT REGISTRATION DATES FOR HMS 7th GRADE STUDENTS



- Jan. 27—On-line course catalog on HMS website
- Jan. 30—Parent Curriculum Information Night (for students taking high school courses) HMS Cafeteria 6:30 PM
- Feb. 10—Teachers complete student recommendations for academic courses for 2012-2013
- Feb. 14 & 15—Students select related arts courses for 2012-2013
- Week of Feb. 14-17—Course registration sheets sent home for parent approval for academic and related arts courses

IMPORTANT!!! Get involved with your child's course selection for the 2012-2013 school year. Help them choose the correct courses to take as eighth graders!!

STUDENT STARS

Griffin Amick & Gresham White—Chosen as members of the South Carolina 7th & 8th Grade Football Team

Summer Nichols 8th, **Lexie Mangum** 7th, **Tania Johnson** 6th—HMS winners in the Annual Anti-Drug Calendar Contest

Clarisse Monterryo (7th grade)—HMS Geography Bee winner

2nd place **Isaiah Gallager** (8th grade)

3rd place **Devin Crawford** (6th grade)

Kristine Ytem & Maggie Ozmint—Placed in the PTA Reflections contest

A SPECIAL GUEST

South Carolina Governor, Nikki Haley, will make a special visit to HMS on January 26!!! She will speak to all seventh graders on bullying and respecting others. She will be greeted by Angel McGowan and Matthew Linn, former HMS students, who have produced an anti-bullying book called Stomp Out The Bullying. There will be a student question and answer period after she speaks. We are proud of our HMS Anti-Bullying Program, and we can't wait for her to visit with us!!



**DECEMBER
STARS OF THE MONTH**

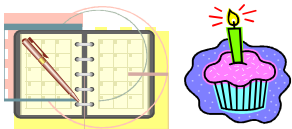
MS. BROWN—BRINITIA PHILLIPS
 MS. COON—GRESHAM WHITE
 MS. BANKS—TANIA PATEL
 MS. GIBBS—MCKENZIE BOYD
 MS. DAVIS—GRAYSON REAMES
 MS. SMITH—CAMERON KAUFMAN
 MS. MCDANIEL—ZACK ALAMILLA
 MS. REPETTO—HANNAH LEROW
 MS. RICE—ALEX CARTER
 MS. LINN—BIANCA CASTELLANOS
 MS. WILDER—ANDREW HYNEMAN
 MS. CARSWELL—SYDNEY DAVENPORT
 MS. AUSTIN—NYGERIA THOMAS
 MS. LACOLLA—KATIA TORRES
 MR. BUZZELL—SIDNEY SHROPSHIRE
 MS. MARLOWE—ZACK KELLY

**JANUARY
STARS OF THE MONTH**

MS. BROWN —KEVIN LEYERS
 MS. COON—KENDALL SIMS
 MS. BANKS—ALEXUS ARNOLD
 MS. GIBBS—LAUREN CLAMP
 MS. SMITH—CARTER HOYLE
 MS. MCDANIEL—MARY MCALISTER
 MS. REPETTO—TAISSJA DERRICKS
 MS. RICE—MORGAN LANKFORD
 MS. LINN—DIXIE OSBORNE
 MS. MCGOWAN—ELIZABETH VERA
 MS. WILDER—WILLIAM HOWE
 MS. GOLDSMITH—KESHAWNTA' MEEKS
 MS. AUSTIN—NATHAN BINKLEY
 MS. LACOLLA—LOUIS BASILE
 MS. MARLOWE—TYLER SMITH
 MS. ACTON—MALENAH LEWIS

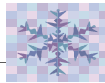
**AGENDAS
and CUPCAKES**

Have a good agenda and get a good cupcake made by your teacher?!? Yes, that is what happened in January to students who keep their agendas up-to-date and complete!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 19—Report Cards
 Jan. 24—MIDDLE SCHOOL SUCCESS
 Jan. 26—Nikki Haley visits HMS
 Jan. 30—Curriculum Night
 Feb. 14—Valentine's Day
 Feb. 15—Progress Reports
 Feb. 16—Valentine Dance--5:30-7:00 (Parents, be on time to pick up your child!!)



TEACHER CADET

Students in Ms. Gibbs's first period language arts class had the privilege of having a teacher cadet. Britney Maston from Hillcrest High School was their classroom guest for six weeks. Upon leaving, she presented each student with a painting she made especially for each of them!!!



CAREER DAY

On December 2 HMS held its annual Career Day. Each year this day is a huge success for both students and teachers. Students chose four careers to visit out of the over fifty careers available. A big THANK YOU to all the speakers who came to share their careers with us!!!

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MS. MCDANIEL

We have a new seventh grade language arts and literature teacher with us this year, and her name is Carla McDaniel. On January 7 she attended a banquet to receive the VFW award for the essay she wrote on her philosophy of education. She is the state winner and is now in competition for the national winner.

Good luck, Ms. McDaniel!
 We are pulling for you!

SPORTS

Try-outs for spring sports are almost here. Students interested in trying out for a spring sport (baseball and softball) must pick up a packet from the main office.

Information about spring sports can be found on the HMS website under Sports News and under Athletics.

Plan to come watch a game with us!!!!

HEROES

Help, Encourage, Respect, Others

HMS eighth grade is sponsoring a character program called HEROES. Each grade is asked to participate by always thinking of others and treating others with respect. In December all HMS students were asked to wear camouflage clothes to show their support of this program.

HMS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Jan. 19—HMS @ Woodmont
 Jan. 23—Hughes at HMS
 Jan. 26—HMS @ Bryson
 Jan. 30—Mauldin @ HMS

TIPS FOR A GOOD SEMESTER

—We have completed the first half of the school year, and now is a good time to set new goals for second semester. What are your **Goals** for second semester? We have students who have set goals to become members of the Beta Club. Some students want to make good grades in order not to attend summer school.

—In order to have a successful semester, students must remember to keep their **agendas everyday**. Also **Study Buddies** is an excellent way to get help with school work. This peer study group meets every Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:45-8:20 in room 208. Please come!!!

—Parents, **contact your child's teachers** so that we can all work together to help our students be successful.

Ms. Acton-macton	Ms. Coon-icoon	Ms. Linn-klinn
Ms Austin-saustin	Ms. Davis-adavis	Ms. McGowan-wmcgowan
Mr. Buzzell-pebuzzell	Ms. Gibbs-agibbs	Ms. Powell-vpowell
Ms. Banks-rrbanks	Ms. Goldsmith-sgoldsmi	Ms. Rice-irice
Ms. Carswell-ccarswel	Ms. LaColla-rlacolla	Ms. Wilder-awilder
Ms. McDaniel-cmcdanie	Ms. Marlowe-jemarlowe	Ms. Repetto-kbaer

Emails for 7th grade teachers are: (all emails end @greenville.k12.sc.us)

