



WOODLAND/HANRAHAN HERALD

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Mark your
calendars to **SAVE** the
Dates...

**Principally SPEAKING... (words
from Mr. Wrisberg)**

February 5-16

MAP practice test
3rd—6th grade

February 6

PTO Meeting
Woodland 6-7

February 16

No School
Staff Development Day

February 19

No School
Presidents Day

February 14

\$1 Dress Down Day

Hanrahan/Woodland will be celebrating Black History Month with multiple activities. Our theme is “African Americans in Times of War”. There will be daily BHM “Question of the Day”. Also, black history facts will be read on a daily basis during the morning announcements. Additionally, classrooms will participate in a door decoration contest based on our theme.

3rd-6th grade students will be taking the district-wide MAP practice test for reading and math from February 5-15. This assessment provides data on how much growth each child is making throughout the year.

I would like to encourage everyone to attend the February 6th PTO Meeting at Woodland. The meeting will be in Woodland’s cafeteria from 6-7. Free books will be handed out and ice cream will be provided. Please join us for an enjoyable night of ice cream and literacy.

As a reminder, there will won’t be school on February 16th or 19th.

Thanks so much for your ongoing support .



Black History Month - "African Americans in Times of War"

The Black History Month 2018 theme, “African Americans in Times of War,” marks the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I and honors the roles that black Americans have played in warfare, from the American Revolution to the present day.

Woodland and Hanrahan will be celebrating by reading facts about African American in times of war each morning during announcements. There will also be a daily trivia question read each

morning and students will have an opportunity to submit their answers in a drawing and they will receive a prize. Teachers and students will also decorate classroom doors to reflect research of the theme. Bobby Norfolk, three-time Emmy Award-winning television host, standup comedian, living history park ranger with the National Park Service and storyteller, will be here on February 14th to do story telling. Woodland at 9 a.m. and Hanrahan at 10 a.m.

The CHARACTER plus Word for the month is **Courage**
 mental or moral strength to venture, preserve, and withstand danger,
 fear, or difficulty

What a wonderful word to symbolize the essence of Black History Month... COURAGE. The opportunities to share and discuss both historical and personal family achievements in the context of courage, lays the groundwork and encourages children to live courageously and strive to reach their fullest potential. Using historical facts and information, family expectations and experiences, and combining this with a sense of confidence and pride, our children will surely be making the history of tomorrow.

As we attempt to instill COURAGE in our students at Hanrahan, we will be celebrating Black History Month with a series of activities which include: a door decorating contest, daily

motivational readings, and the trivia questions for the day.

Some trivia questions for family time discussion at home

- What Civil Rights Group was started in 1909?
- In 1985, Alice Walker won the Pulitzer Prize for what novel?
- What is the nation's oldest African American private university?
- Which scientist discovered new uses for peanuts and sweet potatoes?
- In which year did Brown versus the Board of Education of Topeka take place?
- Who was the first African-American millionaire?
- Rosa Parks' actions led to what protests?
- Matthew Henson is known for exploring the North Pole or the South Pole?

- In 1950, Ralph Bunche won what award?
- Who created Ebony magazine?
- Who was the first African-American in Major League Baseball?
- Enjoy the Trivia... BUT LOVE the family time. Let's together... work to instill PRIDE and COURAGE in our young people of today. Let's remember how impressionable they are and how our positive influences on them are STRONGER than any of the negative and harmful influences that may cross their paths.



PTO - Family Literacy Night

YOU ARE INVITED TO ENJOY AN EVENING OF ICE CREAM, CRAFTS, BOOKS,
 AND TONS OF FUN.

WHEN: Tuesday, February 7, 2017

TIME: 6:00 - 7:00 P.M.

WHERE: Woodland Cafeteria

Attend a brief PTO meeting beginning @ 6:00 P. M.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

LITERACY NIGHT (Book Give Away , Arts and Crafts)

