



NOVEMBER
2023



NEXT MONTH

12/2-Santa Saturday
9:00-1:00

12/4-Santa Saturday
Shopping Night
5:30-7:30

12/5-Two Hour Early
Dismissal & Unity Day

12/19-Chorus Concert

24 Club starts, date
TBD

Office Hours

M-F

7:15am-3:15pm



Lunch Menu

Dear Bodkin families,

We truly enjoyed seeing our students' costumes and having so many families join us for our annual Halloween parade. We sure love making memories here! Bodkin has so many things to be grateful for. The spooky treats for our staff were so special and the boo grams for our students made many smiles! As always, we thank our PTA for all their support and kindness.

It's the 2nd marking period; can you believe it? Take some time to set goals with your child and celebrate their successes. Report cards will be emailed on November 10. American Education week is the week of November 13. The open house is scheduled for November 17. Check out the schedule in the newsletter for visitation times and as always you are always welcome to volunteer.

Over the last few months and continuing this month, we are providing formal and informal assessments to check in on our students' progress. Our teachers have been working hard gathering data to support their students in the classroom. They will be sharing your child's results at our fall conferences November 20 and 21. Your child's teacher will be sending a Sign-Up Genius on Monday November 6. We will be offering in person or virtual on Monday and virtual only conferences on Tuesday as all staff will be working from home. We also welcome phone conferences if that's easier for your family. Our goal is to touch base with every family.

We are most grateful for your children and our families who make our tight-knit community school so special, and we encourage you to promote a growth and gratitude mindset for your children this month. Thank you for entrusting your children to us! If we can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or Mrs. Wenzel.

Mrs. Bonnie Myers, Principal
















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Health Room 410-437-1418

NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Schools Closed	2 Fitness Thursday Gr. 3 walking field trip to CHS Gr. 5 Committee Meeting 6:00pm 2nd marking period begins	3 Math Mindset week 5	4 CHS Cluster Trunk or Treat 3-6pm @ CBMS 
5 Daylight Savings Time	6 CogAT Testing 2nd & 5th	7 	8 Waste Free Wednesday 	9 CogAT Testing 2nd & 5th  	10 CogAT Testing 2nd & 5th Report cards emailed	11 Veterans Day
12 Diwali	13	14 PTA Meeting 6:00pm-7:00pm @ Bodkin 	15 Waste Free Wednesday Daddy Daughter Dance Meeting 6:00pm 	16  	17 Picture Retakes Parent Visitation PK-2 8:30-9:30am Gr. 3-5 1-2pm 	18
19	20 Parent/Teacher Conferences In person Virtual	21	22	23 Thanksgiving 8:30 Striders 5K	24	25
26	27	28 	29 Waste Free Wednesday	30  		

Clubs

Girls on the Run
Tu/Th 2:30-4:00



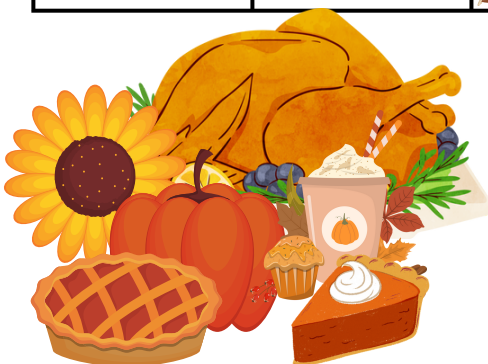
Striders
Weds 2:30-3:30



Board Game Club
Thurs 2:45-3:45



HAPPY
Thanksgiving



Reminders

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER



[Click here for calendar](#)

11/1 Schools Closed

11/20-11/24 Schools Closed

- Morning arrival is 7:40-8:00 am
- Instruction begins promptly at 8:00 am
- Students who arrive to class after 8:00 am will be marked late
- Dismissal begins at 2:25 pm

LOST & FOUND

Did you know we have a Lost & Found bin in our cafeteria? If your child is missing something, feel free to stop by school to check out the bin. Parents will just need to stop by the office for a visitor pass.

REACHING THE TEACHER

Conferencing with the teacher is welcome. But this is just a brief reminder that spontaneous parent-teacher conferences before and after school are discouraged. Often, parents have stopped by the office to speak with their child's teachers only to be disappointed when the teacher is unavailable. The best way to reach your student's teacher is to email the teacher directly or leave a message at Bodkin. That way a mutually convenient time can be scheduled to conference, and the proper attention can be given to your situation.

LABELING

Yes, today is the day to put your child's name (last name only is fine if you do not want their first name to be viewed by strangers) on the coat, jacket, lunch box, water bottle, backpack, sweatshirt, hat, etc. Items are often left behind in a cultural arts class, recess, lunch room, PE, etc, and may not be discovered until the next two grades have traveled through that area. With over 500 children at Bodkin, chances are that your unique lunch box, water bottle, jacket, or backpack is not so unique after all. Help us reunite your student with their lost item by writing their name on their stuff! Label everything!

Questions?/Preguntas?
(800)869-9515 x112

Classic
PHOTOGRAPHY & IMAGING

Retake Day is

Friday November 17

This date is set aside to take pictures of those students who 1) were absent on the original picture day OR 2) for those who were not satisfied with pictures taken in September. If you were not happy with the original picture, send in the entire original photo package with your child to return and have his/her picture retaken on 11/17.

Picture Day
is coming soon

Dress Your Best & Don't Miss Out!

El día de la foto llegará pronto. Vístete lo mejor posible y no te lo pierdas

October Highlights



Mrs. Cox Forbes is back from maternity leave.

We love our Custodial Crew!



We wheelie love our bus drivers!

Our PTA Booned us! Thanks for the spooky treats!



5th graders practicing their Shibori dying technique during art class! These beautiful pieces will be turned into mini pillows!



Our talented Mrs. Mignon joined our 4th graders at Arlington Echo last night for some campfire tunes!



Our Bodkin Striders running on a beautiful afternoon! They did hill repeats and were still smiling.



Thank you to our PTA for an amazing laser show assembly.



In PE, our Pre-K students went "trick or treating" for bean bags. Grade 5 helpers joined in the magic. Students had to collect bean bags in a relay race and use math skills to add up their points.



We had a fantastic and informative visit from the Lake Shore Volunteer Fire Company for PreK and Kindergarten!



SCHOOL HAPPENINGS



In case you missed the news, the 2024 5th Grade Promotion kick-off is here AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!! Please donate and share this fundraiser with family and friends!!!! Our first dollars raised will go toward 5th grade t-shirts.

Our donation link is available [here](#).

Our first committee meeting is Thursday, November 2nd at 6pm in the media center. If you have any questions, please reach out to Brianna and Meagan at bodkingrade5@gmail.com

Click [HERE](#) to order your Yearbook



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special
now**

BuyTheYearbook.com



DONATIONS

Bodkin is in need of some fun props. We are looking for wigs, hats, scarves, etc. Please keep us in mind if you have anything to give away.

Dr. Beasley's students were asked to think about what makes them special. Students created a self-reflective poem that ties into their book called Esperanza Rising. Click [here](#) to see their work.



Alex A.



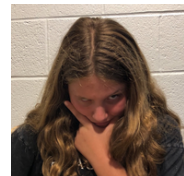
Ethan H.




Jacy M.



Paige S.



Kenzlee T.



Reading News



Young Authors' Contest 2024

SoMLA is thrilled to unveil the 2023-2024 Young Authors' Contest, presented in collaboration with various State of Maryland Literacy Association (SoMLA) local chapters. This exciting competition is open to students from grades 1 to 12, encouraging them to showcase their creativity and talent through original short stories and poetry. As an important note, the use of artificial intelligence (AI) in supporting student work is strictly prohibited. Local contests will be hosted by the respective SoMLA chapters, with the top winners progressing to the state-level competition. Join us in celebrating the budding authors of Maryland and their remarkable literacy endeavors!

Grade-Level Guidelines

All entries must be original work and submitted in 12-point Times New Roman font. Entries must not include graphics. Only individual entries are accepted; group submissions are not being accepted. Submissions that do not meet these guidelines will be disqualified.



- 1.) Submit entries to your classroom teacher
- 2.) All entries must be in MS Word or Google Doc format. A separate completed cover sheet must be submitted along with each entry.
- 3.) Individuals can only submit one entry per category
- 4.) Entries are due no later than December 1, 2023

*Please print clearly.
Information will be used for
digital publication.*



COVERSHEET
2023-2024

YOUNG Authors' CONTEST 2024

Student/Author's Name: *Must be included	Student's name <i>as it should appear in the publication</i>
Student/Author's Pronouns (if applicable)	
Student/Author's Home Address:	(Street, city, state, zip)
Student/Author's Email Address: (if applicable)	
Student/Author's Home Phone:	
<u>Parent's Email Address:</u> *Must be included	
Teacher's Email Address:	
School Name & Address: (Full Address with zip code)	Bodkin Elementary School 8320 Ventnor Road Pasadena, MD 21122
Grade: Teacher: (First & Last Name)	Grade: _____ _____
Local SoMLA Chapter: *Must be included	Anne Arundel Co Literacy Chapter- Sherrie Ugolini
Title of Entry:	Title: Circle one: POEM (P) SHORT STORY (SS)

Parent Permission

I, _____, verify that the submitted work is entirely original and was produced
Print first and last name
 without the use of any artificial intelligence tools or assistance. The content reflects my own thoughts, ideas, and writing skills, and I can affirm that no automated systems or algorithms were involved in its creation. I take full responsibility for the authenticity and integrity of the work, ensuring that it is free from any AI-generated or pre-existing content. Plus, you give SoMLA and local SoMLA chapter representatives the authorization to publicize my child's name and reproduce his/her work in an anthology of writing in the event (s)he becomes a local/state winner.

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

OFFICE NEWS

CogAT TESTING

AACPS identifies gifted and advanced students through a universal screening process in Elementary and Middle school. In Elementary, students are screened in grades 2 and 5. In Middle school, the process spans the students' 7th grade year. A gifted and talented student, as defined by Maryland law, is "an elementary or secondary student who is identified by professionally qualified individuals as:

- Having outstanding talent and performing, or showing the potential for performing, at remarkably high levels of accomplishment when compared to other students;
- Exhibiting high performance capability in intellectual, creative, or artistic areas;
- Possessing an unusual leadership capacity; or
- Excelling in specific academic fields."

AACPS recognizes that achievement, ability, and potential play a role in identifying giftedness; therefore, multiple measures are used to identify students.

For more information on how students are identified for gifted services in AACPS, please visit this [site](#).

Testing dates at Bodkin will be the following:

Grade 2

11/6 11:25am
Verbal

11/9 8:20am
Quantitative

11/10 11:25am
Nonverbal

Grade 5

11/6 12:20pm
Verbal

11/9 9:20am
Quantitative

11/10 12:20pm
Nonverbal

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

American Education Week is November 13-17, 2023 and Bodkin Elementary School will be holding our Open House on **Friday, November 17**. All parents/guardians (Grades Pre-K through 5th) are most welcome to visit our classrooms. Open House times are scheduled around our lunch and recess shifts. Please register [here](#) ahead of time to make the sign in process go smoothly.

Our visitation hours are: **Gr. PK-2 8:30-9:30am**

Gr. 3-5 1:00-2:00pm

To limit distractions to our lessons, we are encouraging our visitors not to bring infants or children in strollers to our school during Open House. As always, please bring your ID so we may sign you in before you proceed to your student's class. Please note: This is a full day of instruction for all classes. Parents are asked NOT to sign their children out for early dismissal after the visitation.



PPW NEWS

We are here to support and work collaboratively with you and your child so that he/she meets academic, social and emotional success. It is important that children attend school every day to have an opportunity to learn and grow. We understand that children miss school for various reasons, some excused, some not excused. Please note that vacation falls in the category of unexcused, which can lead to chronic absenteeism and/or truancy. Students who fall under this category are monitored carefully and absences could impact enrollment in magnet programs at the middle and high school level. Per county policy students with unexcused absences may not be allowed to make up missed assignments. However, we will work collaboratively with you and your child to determine the best plan for him/her to meet success when he/she returns. Please understand, as educators, we feel no amount of "make-up" work can replace the instructional time, strategies, and tiered assignments lost during extended absences. Research shows that missing 10 percent of the school for any reason (excused or unexcused), or about 18 days in most school districts, negatively affects a student's academic performance. That's just two days a month and that's known as chronic absenteeism. Chronic absenteeism can translate into difficulty reading by third grade, achieving in middle school, and graduating from high school. When students improve their attendance rates, they improve their academic prospects and chances for graduating. While we understand that vacations offer experiences to our students, please try to refrain from scheduling extended vacations during the academic school year. We hope collaboratively, we can continue growing our students academically and build life-long skills that can be used outside of the classroom.



Green School

CLOTHING TO CASH



In September, Bodkin Elementary School collected 2,618.0 lbs. of clothing and shoes in our Clothing to Cash bin. That means our school received \$361.80 from your donations! We were the **first place winners!!** Thank you for your donations! The donation bin is located to the left of the school (when looking at the school) near the track. It's an easy stop when leaving the parking lot. Can we collect the most in November?

Congratulations to the following AACPS schools for the month of September!

1st Place	Bodkin Elementary School	2,618.0 lbs.	\$100 Bonus	Total Check \$361.80
2nd Place	Odenton Elementary School	2,364.0 lbs.	\$50 Bonus	Total Check \$286.40
3rd Place	Seven Oaks Elementary School	1,829.0 lbs.	\$25 Bonus	Total Check \$207.90

Dear Bodkin Families,
Did you know...



Americans throw away enough garbage every day to fill 63,000 garbage trucks. That's enough garbage in a year, that if we lined the garbage trucks end to end they would reach halfway to the moon. That averages to about 7 pounds per person each day.

It has been rightly said that “Today’s children are tomorrow’s future.” **As part of our Continued Green School Initiatives, we are encouraging students to celebrate “Waste Free Wednesday.”** On this day each week, students who bring lunch are encouraged to pack a waste free lunch. Our hopes are that students pack lunch in reusable containers. Although we continue to recycle our lunch trash in the cafeteria, by using reusable containers our students will see the amount of trash that can be avoided. Our goal as a school will be to only fill 2 trash cans for ALL lunch periods.

In addition to a “Waste Free” lunch, we are always looking for new ways to include our students in our efforts to protect and restore the environment. With this, we have decided to begin composting in all grades. Gardening and kids are a natural mix and with our school’s various gardens. We would love to see our composted material used in our gardens. Our students will learn to recycle and reuse materials in an earth-friendly activity to enhance the beauty of our school.

So, celebrate with us...

Three cheers to “No Waste Wednesday!”

Please see the attached link to find some helpful tips when packing a waste free lunch!

<http://www.wastefreelunches.org/parents.html>



“America Recycles Day” (November 15th) is the only nationally recognized day dedicated to the promotion of recycling in the United States. This is a perfect day to help motivate our students to make recycling bigger and better 365 days a year. To see a list of 10 ideas to start recycling, please visit: <https://harmony1.com/america-recycles-day-tips/>.

In honor of “America Recycles Day”, we have challenged your child to create a project/craft using recycled items. If they choose to take on this challenge, their creation is due by November 30th. Be creative and have fun! Happy Recycling!



CHESAPEAKE CLUSTER TRUNK OR TREAT

11/4/23
3-6 PM

CHESAPEAKE BAY
MIDDLE SCHOOL
4804 MOUNTAIN RD.



Chesapeake High School Theatre Company
presents



[Click here for tickets](#)

Music by Richard Rodgers
Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II
New Book by Douglas Carter Beane
Original Book by Oscar Hammerstein II



10/27, 10/28, 11/3,
& 11/4 @7pm
10/28 & 11/4 @2pm



CINDERELLA is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of The Rodgers & Hammerstein Organization.
www.concordtheatricals.com

Chesapeake High School Theatre Company
invites you to join us for a

Royal Tea

FEATURING THE CAST AND CREW OF CINDERELLA



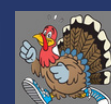
12:15-1:15 PM SAT 10/28 & 11/4

- LUNCHEON WITH JUICE & DESSERT
- PHOTO OPPORTUNITY WITH CAST & CREW
- DECORATE YOUR OWN MAGICAL WAND
- BACKSTAGE TOUR & PHOTO WITH
- BEDAZZLE YOUR OWN CROWN
- PUMPKIN CARRIAGE
- MORE CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES
- CHOOSE YOUR SEATS FOR THE SHOW
- INCLUDES SHOW ADMISSION FOR ONE CHILD & ONE ACCOMPANYING ADULT
- VISIT CHS-CINDERELLA.CHEDDRUP.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION BY 10/22
- THIS EVENT IS DESIGNED FOR AGES 3 & UP

[Get tickets here](#)



2023 Stride for SPAN TURKEY TROT



Saturday - November 4, 2023 Kinder Farm Park
5K Race & 1 Mile Fun Walk
DON'T DELAY, REGISTER TODAY!! RUN LIMITED TO 250 PARTICIPANTS!!

Timed 5k Race time: 9:00am 1 Mile Fun Walk: 9:30am

Early Bird Race Fees Until Oct 9th: Race Fees (per person) After October 9th:

Group Rate (Min 4): \$20 per person Group (Min 4): \$25 per person
Individual: \$35 Individual: \$40
18 and Under: \$25 18 and Under: \$30
Walker: \$25 Walker: \$30

T-Shirts for registrants!
(To guarantee a T-shirt, register by **October 18th, 2023**)

Scan for online registration:



Register online at <https://register.chronotrack.com/r/75552> or send form below to SPAN:
(Registration closes November 1, 2023, 11:59pm)

Individual Name _____ Total Amount Enclosed _____
Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____
Age (on 11/4/2023) _____ Date of Birth _____ Sex: Male ☐ Female ☐
Email _____ T-shirt Size _____ Entry Choice: (Run) ☐ (Walk) ☐

**** DON'T WANT A T-SHIRT? CHECK THE BOX AND WE WILL DONATE THE CASH DIRECTLY TO SPAN!!** NO T-SHIRT—GIVE MONEY TO SPAN ☐**

Waiver: By signing this race application/waiver, I release SPAN, Anne Arundel County Recreation and Parks, the race organizers and any additional contributors or sponsors from any liability associated with the Stride for SPAN 5K. I certify that I am in good enough health to the best of my knowledge to safely participate in this event.

Photo release: By signing this I grant SPAN permission to use photographs and/or video of me taken at the event in publications, news releases, online and in other communications related to the mission of SPAN, Inc.

Signature _____ Date _____ Signature _____ Date _____
(Parent or guardian if entrant is under 18)

Make check payable to SPAN, Inc. Mail with check to: SPAN, Inc., P.O. Box 626, Severna Park, MD 21146
www.spanhelps.org spanhelps@yahoo.com

SPAN

SPAN is a local emergency assistance network that has been helping our neighbors in need since 1990.
Span assists with utility turn-offs, court-ordered evictions, prescription needs, and food.



PTA News



Lena Kaba
President



Corinne Zeruto
Vice President I



Nikki Allender
Vice President II



Amanda Camhi
Treasurer



Nikki Baker
Secretary

**Next PTA Meeting is Tuesday, November 14 at
6:00pm @ Bodkin Elementary**

PTA WEBSITE - www.bodkinpta.weebly.com
FACEBOOK – facebook/BODKIN ELEMENTARY PTA

OUTDOOR CLEAN UP

Thank you to the group that made it out for our fall outdoor clean up. The weather was perfecto! We had Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, SACC helpers and families helping out. The flower beds look wonderful. Thank you to the “Dad” who hauled away the bags for us. We look forward to seeing you next time.

PTA MEMBERSHIPS

Join the PTA! - Please consider joining the PTA. This annual membership gives you exclusives like discounted tickets to the Daddy/Daughter or Mother/Son Events. Reminder - this is an annual membership and families must rejoin each year to get this benefit. To sign up please visit our Cheddar Up store [here](#).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to dress up as our mascot Buddy the Bulldog for various events at school. This would be an easy job for a middle or high schooler. If you are interested in helping, please contact us at bodkinptapresident@gmail.com.

SANTA SATURDAY

Santa and his elves are working hard to prepare for this year's Santa Saturday!

Mark your calendar for Saturday, December 2nd, 2023 from 9am - 1pm and join us for a Winter Wonderland of fun - including:

🎄 a Secret Santa Shoppe with wrapping stations for your children to shop for their friends and family

🎅 The chance to visit with the Big Guy, Santa Claus, himself!

✍️ Write a letter to Santa and your child will even receive a letter in return!

🎁 Amazing vendors with wonderful gifts for you to grab for your own holiday shopping including Spirit Wear and Spirit Sticks!

🍰 Grab a scrumptious snack at the 5th-grade Bake Sale!

More details to come - but you won't want to miss out on this super fun day with the Bodkin School Community!

****Vendor Spaces now open to Bodkin Families!**
Click [here](#) to reserve your space today.

ONGOING WAYS TO HELP



BUY
BOX TOPS PRODUCTS
Look for the logo. You can find it on hundreds of products you know and love.



SCAN
YOUR RECEIPT
No more clipping. Tap the scan button and snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



EARN
CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL
It's that easy! Box Tops earnings are identified and automatically updated online.

Box Tops

Box Tops is digital! Please make sure to download the [boxtops4education](#) app for a super easy way to earn \$ for the PTA. Simply sign up for Bodkin, scan your store receipts, and you're done! No clipping or sending them in to school.

Harris Teeter

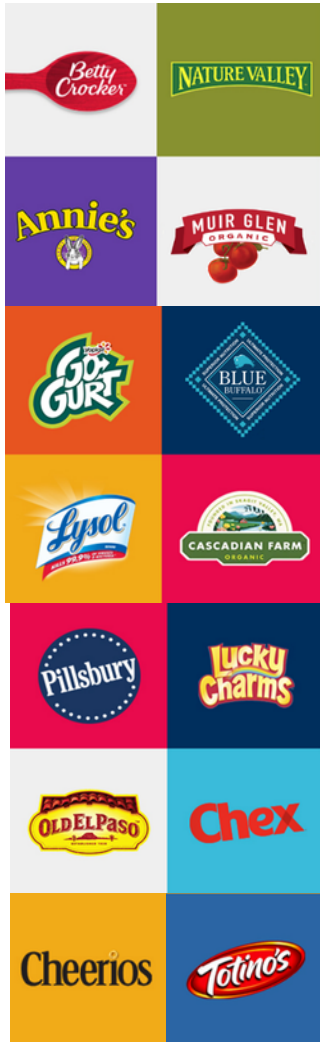
When you shop at Harris Teeter, let them know you support Bodkin. Go to the customer service desk with your VIP card and have them put Bodkin PTA on your card. We'll earn \$ every time you purchase HT brand items!

**Save your
candy
wrappers to
recycle!**



TRASH OR TREASURE

Bodkin is excited to announce that we are once again participating in Rubicon's Trash or Treasure™ program! As part of Bodkin's green initiatives, we're encouraging families to save ALL plastic, aluminum and paper candy wrappers to send into school to be placed in the Trash or Treasure™ box in the lobby. Let's all do our part to keep candy wrappers out of the landfills and our communities.



Upcoming PTA Events

Dec. 2-Santa Saturday

Dec. 4-Santa Saturday Evening Shopping

Jan. 27-Mother/Son Bowling

3/15-Daddy/ Daughter Dance

4/12-Fun Run

5/4-Environmental Fair

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TRUNK OR TREAT

Chesapeake Cluster Trunk or Treat is looking for some helpers the day of the event. If you can help for an hour or 2 or even for the full event time, please send an email to chesapeaketrunkortreat1@gmail.com to let us know you can help volunteer. This is a great way for high schoolers to gain some volunteer hours.



CALLING ALL ELVES



Dear Families,

Join us for a day filled with holiday magic! **Santa Saturday** will be held on Saturday, December 2, 2023 from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm in the multi-purpose room. We will also hold a ***"Holiday Shopping Evening"*** for the Kids Shopping Area only on Monday, December 4, 2022 from 5:30 – 7:30pm (last entry 7pm) in the cafeteria.

We need lots of volunteers for this AMAZING event!

Sign up using Sign Up Genius or contact us via email.

Thank you,

Santa Saturday Committee

BodkinSantaSaturday@gmail.com

Please see the list of volunteer opportunities below and choose which one(s) work best for you. Use Sign Up Genius to select.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AAEA62CA0FFC70-40242928-santa>

Friday 12/1/23 – Help us set up and decorate for the event

(No kids during this time please - we want them to be surprised when they walk in on Saturday)

1:15-2:30 2:30-3:30pm 3:30-4:30pm 4:30-5:30pm

Saturday 12/2/23 – Help with kids shopping and wrapping (Last session will help pack up)

8:30-10:00 10:00-11:00 11:00-12:00 12:00-1:00 1:00-2:00pm

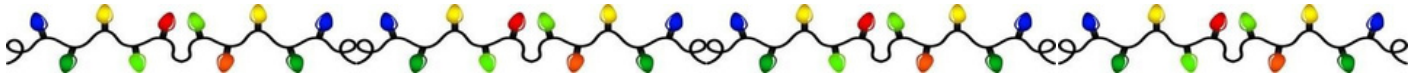
Monday 12/4/23 – Help with kids shopping and wrapping (Last session will help pack up)

4:15-5:15(set up) 5:15-6:00pm 6:00-7:00pm 7:00-8:00pm 8:00 – 8:30pm

Wednesday 12/6- Wednesday 12/13 – Help get letters to and from the North Pole.



We need assistance with decorations – if you are crafty or have North-Pole-type decorations we can borrow for the day (inflatables), please let us know.



SANTA SATURDAY!

This year's event will be comprised of:

1. Kids Shopping Area – (Cafeteria) **KIDS ONLY** Gifts will be priced from \$1 to \$10 – very reasonable options for your children to purchase. CASH ONLY.
2. Vendors Shopping – (Gym) – We'll have homemade and direct sales vendors – most from the Bodkin community as well as Bodkin Spirit Wear & Sticks. This is great time to get a head start on your holiday shopping. Some vendors are cash only. Interested in being a vendor? Click here: <https://my.cheddarup.com/c/santa-saturday-vendor-registration-copy?cart=fd6c94d1-d49e-4b73-a9bd-10ca3e152be8%21%2165020959>
3. “To Go” Bake Sale – (Gym) 5th grade Promotion Committee will have goodies for a grab and go treat.
4. Santa- Visit with Santa 9:30-12:30. Be sure to drop off your letters to Santa at the North Pole mailbox. Print the form letter below or email BodkinSantaSaturday@gmail.com if you need one sent home. Envelopes will be available at the event if you do not have one at home.



NOTE: Santa will write back to every child who attaches a self-addressed envelope to their letter (please staple or paperclip to letter, DO NOT fold and place inside). Siblings not at Bodkin can also receive a response with a self-addressed envelope. Anything you'd like Santa to know about can be added on the back of the letter.

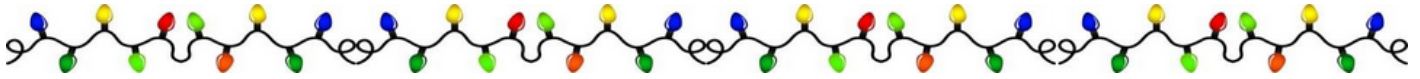
Please work with your children to make their list of who to shop for and how much to spend on each person. Remember –you will not be with them while they are shopping, so this step will help them stay within their budget, while getting something for everyone. This also helps our Shopping Elves assist children when shopping. Kids should come with a list, budget, and cash only (in envelope/wallet/sealable bag).

After they make their purchases, they will be able to wrap and label each gift and walk out completely finished with their holiday shopping! Pack reusable bags.

**School aged
children
only
in the Kids
Shopping
Area**

ADDITIONAL KIDS SHOPPING MONDAY

We know not everyone can make it on December 2nd, so the Kids Shopping Area will be open Monday, December 4 from 5:30 – 7:30 in the cafeteria (last entry 7pm). Only the Kids Shopping Area will be open. Children should bring their envelopes with cash.



Dear Santa,

My name is _____.

I am _____ years old. I am in _____ grade and my teacher is

_____. This year I have been:



☐ Nice

☐ Naughty

☐ A little bit of both

One gift I would love this year is _____.

If your elves aren't too busy, I would also like: _____

Some books I would like to read: _____

Something I would like to wear: _____

One thing I did that was extra nice was _____

_____.

I am very excited for your visit. I promise to leave out some _____

for you to snack on. Please give my favorite reindeer _____

a huge hug for me!

Your Pal, _____

Your Address:

Community News & Events

Nearby Library Events

Severna Park Library

11/1 Board Game Night 6:30pm-8:30pm (all ages)

Use our space to play board games with friends or make new ones. Bring your favorite game or choose from our selection including everything from chess to checkers to modern classics.

Mountain Road Library

11/2 STEM Night 7:00pm-8:30pm (all ages)

Join us for a night of Robotics fun! Chesapeake High School's FIRST Robotics Team 2377 will give a presentation on their competition robot followed by a demonstration.

Severna Park Library

11/8 Early Reader Book Club 4:00pm-5:00pm (ages 6-10)

Children in K-2 can practice their reading skills through group reading, activities and games based on popular beginner reader books. Each session will focus on a different theme.

Severna Park Library

11/13 Choose Your Own Adventure Book Club: Space and Beyond 5:00pm-6:00pm (ages 11+)

Join your fellow adventurers as we read Space and Beyond from the Choose Your Own Adventure Series and decide together which path our group should take. After, we will do an activity related to the story. Snacks provided!

Riviera Beach Library-Hancock's Resolution

11/14 Grateful for Nature 4:00pm-5:00pm (ages 6-10)

Families with young children enjoy a variety of stories, songs, rhymes and movement activities while building early literacy skills. Join Park Ranger Felipa and Riviera Beach Library at Hancock's Resolution for Gratitude in Nature. We will hike the path at Hancock's, collecting leaves along the way. Warm up with coffee or cocoa while we create leaf crowns for our kings and queens of kindness! All ages are welcome to stop by the Thank You card station to write a note of gratitude to the person you are most thankful for.

Severna Park Library

11/15 Lego Challenge 4:00pm-4:45pm (ages 6+)

Take the LEGO Challenge and build a masterpiece! LEGO creations will be displayed afterwards.

Join Cub Scouts

All children in grades K through 5 are welcome to join. We meet on Mondays at OLC, across the street from Bodkin! Do you like fishing, camping, rockets, STEM and more? Contact us today at: recruiter@mdpack412.org.



Join Girl Scouts

Troop 04278 has just started and is looking for Brownies (2, 3) to join. For information, contact Anne Pokrifka at girlscouttroop04278@gmail.com or 412-952-7466



November 4, 2023
9:00am @
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