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Hello Parents and Guardians of Herndon Magnet School Students, this is Tom Thomas, Principal of Herndon Magnet School, with Herndon Highlights for the week of March 18th:

Herndon has had some great things happen over the last few weeks:

At the Regional Science Fair: Seventh grader Kendal Roy received 2nd place in Biochemistry and she received a nomination from the 2019 Broadcom Masters (only 10% of all participants received this award) for "Top Projects in the Nation." This makes her eligible to apply for the National Science Fair. Kendal is the first Herndon student to ever receive this award. Fifth grader Addison Whittington won Best in Category and a \$300 check from the Ark-La-Tex Gem & Mineral Society, and Fifth grader Emma Walker won 2nd Place in Behavioral Science. We are so proud of these three young ladies!

The Herndon Robotics Team of seventh graders - Natalie France and Chandler Gulett and 8th graders - Dawson Burt, DeWayne Johnson, Millie Kapera, and Landon Williams got 3rd place in the Caddo MST Robotics Competition at Donnie Bickham Middle School.

The Herndon Choir under the direction of Ms. Arnese Brass received the highest score of superior on stage and sight reading, and because of their score they received the District Sweepstakes Trophy from the Louisiana Music Educators Association Large Ensemble Vocal Music Festival. Herndon Piano Students, under the direction of Ms. Lea Aymor and Ms. Arnese Brass received 17 superiors and 8 excellent scores at the Caddo Parish Piano Festival. The Herndon Advanced Band, under the direction of Ms. Lea Aymor, received an award for a superior (A Rating) for sight reading.

Five Herndon students - Parker Pellegrin, Alexis Jarvis, Tytiarah Johnson, Nathan Pellegrin, and Kyrsten Thompson - will be receiving Awards of Excellence and/or an Award of Merit on Tuesday, March 19th from the Caddo District PTA for Literature.

3rd nine weeks Honors Assemblies will be held on Wednesday, March 20th at the following times: 8:30 AM – Grades 3-5; 9:30 AM – Grades 6-8; and 10:30 AM – Grades 1-2.

Student Council Week will be from Monday, March 18th through Friday, March 22nd. Students may dress up for Student Council Week. The dress up days are on the Herndon Website. Students must follow CPSB Dress Policy or risk not being able to participate. Sixth and seventh grade students will assemble in the auditorium to hear Student Council speeches on Thursday, March 21st, at 8:15 AM.

Highstepper tryout forms are due Thursday, March 21st.

The Sadie's Social for middle school will be Thursday, March 21st at 2:15 PM.

We want to wish the Herndon Highsteppers Good Luck as they travel to Nationals to defend their 2018 National Champions' Title on Friday, March 22nd.

Friday, March 22nd is a street clothes day for students. Please go over page 12 in the agenda with your student before this day.

At 6:45 am on Kiss Country 93.7, Mrs. Weddleton's class will be reciting the pledge on March 22nd. They will also be on Kiss Country's website (www.mykisscountry937.com), Facebook page and YouTube channel.

I hope that you participated in the PTSA/Office Bunny and Almonds Fundraiser. All orders are due tomorrow, March 18th. This money will be used by the PTSA and HMS to promote the school and enhance instructional programs.

A list of Middle School Teachers' favorites has been posted on the Herndon website for Teacher Appreciation Week.

I want to thank the parents that took time out of their busy schedules to come to the LEAP parent meeting on March 14th. Parents received vital information about the tests, how the scores impact students, teachers, and the school. Also, 7th and 8th grade parents learned how scores determine entrance into magnet programs in high school.

Schools will be closed Monday, March 25th till March 29th for Spring Break. Students return on Monday, April 1, 2019.

A transcript of this call can be found at www.herndonmagnetschool.com. Thank you and have a wonderful evening! ID #: 239884