



Weekly Parent Reminders

November 10, 2022

November 11 – Veterans Day (School closed)

November 18 – Coffee with the Principal

November 23-25 – Thanksgiving Break

Lockdown Drill Information

The safety of our students is always a high priority for us here at H.D. Cooke. One of the best ways to ensure a safe school environment is to practice our emergency drills and procedures. District of Columbia law requires our school conduct several drills throughout the school year, one of which is a Lockdown Drill.

While we cannot always inform parents when we conduct a drill, this message is to inform you that our school will conduct a Lockdown Drill on **November 22nd, at 9:30 a.m.** This routine exercise protects our school community from potential dangers in the building or campus. Please know that every school in DCPS is required to complete two lockdown drills per year.

We encourage you to talk to your child about the exercise and reassure them that this is being done to help keep them safe and that they should not be scared or stressed about practicing these emergency procedures. We hope there will never be a time when we must face an actual emergency. However, by practicing drills, we prepare our students and staff to remain calm and take proper action if an emergency arises.

Movie Night!!



The PTO will have a Coat Drive Movie Night on Friday, December 2nd! The event is free to families.

We will be accepting gently used or new coats or uniforms to donate to the school, we will have a box outside the gym.

Date: Movie Night December 2nd

Time: 5:30 pm

Movie: Encanto, all ages welcome

H.D. Cooke's Free Little Library is updated daily

Stop by our 24/7 Little Free Library to grab a FREE book to add to your children's personal collection. Located: In front of the main office entrance. Please remember to only take one per student.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

We need donations!!! Next is our last week to collect donations. Please drop off any donations at arrival. Some ideas for donations are canned goods (veggies, fruits, beans, chili), soups, pasta, pasta sauce, cake mixes, rice, beans.

Kids Ride Free Metro/Bus Cards

The Kids Ride Free program allows students enrolled in DC Public Schools, DC Charter Schools, and DC private/parochial schools to receive a KRF SmarTrip card for free travel to and from school and school-related activities within the District of Columbia, using Metrorail, Metrobus or the DC Circulator.

Please contact the main office (202-939-5390) if your student needs a Smartrip card for the new school year for the bus or metro.

Social Media

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