Mark Your Calendar…

- Mar 18 - Parent Council Meeting & Kindergarten Registration Opens
- Mar 19 - Single Grade Science Fair 6:30pm - 7:30pm
- Mar 23 - Agnor-Hurt Yearbook Order Deadline
- Mar 24 - PTO Meeting 6:30pm - 8pm in Library
- Apr 14 – Spring Individual and Class Pictures
- Apr 16 - Multiage Science Fair 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Message from the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
Please join us at our next PTO meeting on Mar 24 at 6:30pm in the AHES library. You are all members of the PTO and a part of our Agnor-Hurt community. All are welcome!

The PTO Needs YOU!
We are looking for new PTO Leadership! We are in need of 2 PTO Co-Presidents and a Vice President for the 2020-2021 School Year. These roles provide an amazing opportunity to make an impact at your child and school. Build leadership skills, share your ideas, and gain connections throughout the AHES community. Board members are able to fit their volunteer roles into their already busy lives, balancing jobs and families while providing valuable service to the school. To learn more, please contact agnorhurtpto@gmail.com - we’d love to hear from you!

Recorder Unit Has Started - 4th, 5th and 3-5 Multiage grades
Let the music play! March 4 - May 1 is our recorder unit. Please remind your child to bring her/his recorder to every music class during our Recorder Unit. A perfect home for recorders during our unit is your child’s backpack. Students who ordered recorders through Agnor-Hurt will receive them in their music classes this week.

We’ll Take Your Pennies! Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Fundraiser
Our 3rd and 4th grades are fundraising during the month of March for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS) - Kickoff was Feb 27. They are going to participate in the “Pennies 4 Patients” fundraiser. Students in traditional 3rd & 4th grade classes will be collecting coins and small bills throughout the month and donate the money to LLS.

Parent Council
February 19, 2020 Parent Council (PC) meeting - the Co-Chairs shared results of the survey around PTOs’ fundraising, operating budgets, and use of funds. Members of the Diversity and Equity Advisory Committee returned to facilitate additional conversations around the 2018 ACPS Equity Report and the ACPS update for the recommendations in this report. Finally, Andrew Robinson from the Center for Nonprofit Excellence facilitated an engaging and collaborative session with PC reps and PTO Presidents and Treasurers around PTO fundraising and asset building. His presentation along with additional PTO resources are available on the PC website: www.acpsparentcouncil.org. The PC will continue to consider how PTOs can collaborate to address the ACPS diversity and equity initiatives and our March meeting will focus on the High School redesign. Please contact Gail Lovette (glovette@gmail.com) or April Wang (April.r.wang@gmail.com) with any questions or for more information.

Girls’ Geek Day
Join us at Stone Robinson Elementary school on March 14th from 9-12pm for an event to inspire girls to
explore STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). This is a fun, hands on event to spark elementary age girl's interest in technology and computers in a fun environment. Registration is required. For more information and to register please visit https://www.tech-girls.org/girls-geek-day.html

Thank You
Thank you to all of our volunteers and participants of Family Game Night on February 28! This is only one of many events our school hosts.

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Other Ways to Raise Money for Our School
Our school fundraising efforts are year-round. The funds we raise go directly back into our school community for materials and supplies, outdoor improvements, field trips and assemblies and more. Check out these ways to earn money for Agnor-Hurt while you shop:

- **Link your Kroger Card** to our school. Invite your friends and family to do the same, no matter where they live. You’ll have to create/log in to your account on https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow/ . Once you’re linked, you won’t have to do this again. We earn thousands of dollars from Kroger each year and really need everyone’s support here. You shop, we earn money.
- **Shop at https://smile.amazon.com/ – link your Amazon Prime account and every purchase you make helps earn our school money. You must shop through https://smile.amazon.com/ to earn money back for our school…unfortunately the app doesn’t help us out.
- **Direct Donations** - Donations can be sent in cash or a check made out to AHES PTO in an envelope marked PTO Direct Donation in your child’s red parent/teacher folder. Hop onto our website www.agnorhurtelelementarypto.org or our Facebook page and hit the “Donate” button to donate online. Or swing by the office to leave cash or a check and the wonderful front office staff will get it to us. Thank you for all your support!

**Looking Ahead**
- Apr 3 - half day of school for students & end of 3rd quarter
- Apr 6-10 - Spring Break - no school
- Apr 17 - Skate Night 6pm - 8pm
- Apr 20-24 - Spring Book Fair

Contact Us/Stay Informed

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www2.k12albemarle.org/school/AHES

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