



NEWSLETTER

Roots Public Charter School
February 2017
BLACK HISTORY MONTH

BLACK LOVE SKATE FUNDRAISER



We are having our annual “Black Love Skate Party” Fundraiser” on Sunday, February 19th. Tell your friends and family to meet you there ! Admission price is \$10.00. This includes admission & skate rental. Purchase (4) or more tickets & pay \$8.00 per person. Please purchase tickets in advance from the front office @ 15 Kennedy Street. Food and beverages will be sold in the concession area.

When: **Sunday, February 19, 2017**

Where: ***New Temple Hills Skate Palace***

Time: **11:00– 2:00pm**

Place : ***3132 Branch Avenue
Temple Hills, Maryland***

See You There !!

Uniform Policy:

ALL Roots Public Charter School students are expected to arrive at school *daily*, wearing the school uniform— NO EXCEPTIONS!! Parents will be called to pick-up their children who are not in uniform.

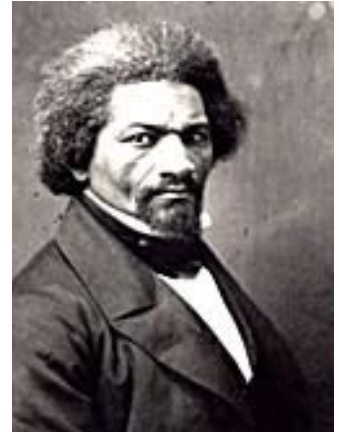
ATTENTION !

SCHOOL WILL BE **CLOSED** PRESIDENT’S DAY

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2017

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We commemorate the birthday of Frederick Douglass who was born February 14, 1817. Although born into slavery in Maryland, he later obtained his freedom. Frederick Douglass was a noted orator, author, abolitionist and the founder of a newspaper called "*THE NORTH STAR*." He died in 1895. The *Frederick Douglass Home*, located in Anacostia (Southeast DC) is a National Landmark & Tourist attraction.



Our present day role model is Toni Morrison. Born on February 18, 1931 in Lorain, Ohio, she has become one of the most celebrated novelists of the 20th century. In 1978, Toni Morrison won the *National Book Critics' Award* for "Song of Solomon" and in 1988 the *Fiction Pulitzer Prize* for "Beloved". In 1996, she was awarded a medal by *The National Book Foundation* for her contribution to American Letters.

Our ROOTS Family Birthdays are:

2/3– Mackenzie Farmer

2/4– Mama Khadijah Bryant

2/10– Richard Spearman

2/13– Jahmor Harris

2/20– Laylaa Coleman

2/21– Sema'j Gibson

2/23– Brielle Boone

2/27– Bella Bryd & Bryson Giles

2/28– Eryan Terrell

The Birthday Party will be held
Friday, February 24th at 2:30pm !

HABARI GANI?!

“What’s the News?”

School Trips and Assembly Presentations:

Thursday, **Feb. 2nd** –Pre-K3-5th grade will attend a Taratibu performance at **Joe’s Movement Emporium**.

Monday, **Feb. 6th** – Elementary School will attend a presentation on **Electricity & Magnetism** in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Thursday, Feb. 23rd-Kindergarten & 1st grade will see a presenta-

tion: **“STEP AFRIKA”** at the **THEARC** on Mississippi Ave.

Tuesday, **Feb. 28th**—the 2nd grade will see a presentation: **“Living The Dream”** at the George Washington University Lisner Auditorium.

Attention: BE ON TIME !

Parents, your child must be at school **on time** for the field trips! The teachers are with the students so no one is left to take care of your child. If the bus **is gone**, then you must take your child *back home* until the stu-

Congratulations !

REGIONAL Spelling Bee:

Thursday Feb. 9th -Time: 9:00am Place:
Langley Elementary School

Winners of Roots PCS Spelling Bee !

Niani Best - 1st Place

Morgan Giles - 2nd Place

Ajani Obaseki - 3rd Place

They will represent Roots PCS at the Regional Bee on the 9th .

Roots PCS Geography Bee:

Saleem Anderson

is the **1st Place** winner of the Roots PCS Bee. He will represent **Roots PCS** in the City-Wide Geography Bee. *Time & Date TBA.*

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Attention Parents: PAC meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month. All committee chairpersons are required to attend the meetings. The school cannot serve your children to full capacity without your committed service.

PTA

Thursday, March 9th 6-8pm

Thank You...

- *Mama(s) Maame Osei-Boakye & Toya McCoy & for classroom donation to the Pre-Primary classroom.
 - * Mama Sanyika Powell, Mama Imani & Baba Phil for supporting the King March.
 - *Mama (s) Eboni Washington, Linda Mahler & Baba Nathaniel for judging the **Spelling Bee**.
 - *Mama Anne Beesecker & Mama Linda Mahler for coaching students for the Spelling Bee.
 - * Mama Tanza Brown for gifts to the Pre-Primary staff.
 - * Baba Ali Alexander & Mama Constance Jones for judging **Geography Bee**.
 - * Mama Sara & Dallas Cooper for donating school supplies to Baba Camara's class.
 - * All Roots PCS Parents for supporting Mama Ayodele during her bereavement.
 - Baba(s) Jovan Nixon, Sr, Ruben Perkins & Mama Regina Coleman for assisting on the field trip for Mama Kim's Class.
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“To suppress free speech is a double wrong. It violates the rights of the bearer as well as those of the speaker”.

Fredrick Douglass

