

Week at the Creek

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Greetings Fabulous Hickory Creek Families!

Our week has gotten off to a fantastic start. Our Book Fair is wrapping up after a successful week, complete with 2 Family Nights. Thank you to Mrs. Chalut and Mrs. Ledford for hosting another great event at HCE.

February is the perfect month for our Character Counts pillar of Caring – we continue to talk with our students about the importance of kindness and caring with everyone we encounter on a daily basis. Thank you, families, for all you do to instill this character trait in your children!

In addition to the learning that is happening throughout each day, this week we will also have a number of Valentines Day celebrations. To cap off our week, we will have a fun family event called "Dance Extravaganza", hosted by our PTO. Look for more information later in this newsletter.

As we get closer to our spring testing season, we will be in need of proctors for our state testing. Serving as a proctor simply means you are there as a monitor during any given test. Even if you do not have a child who is in a testing grade, please consider signing up to help out with this task. It is a great way to familiarize yourself with what your own child will eventually experience. Be on the lookout for a sign-up from our PTO. Your help would be greatly appreciated!

Thank you again for continued support. Have a wonderful week!

Joy Reichenberg, Principal



Monday, 2/12 – Chicken Quesadilla Max, Max Stix Cheese Sticks, Chicken Nuggets

Tuesday, 2/13 – Cheese or Pepperoni Calzonette, Chicken Sandwich or Mini Corn Dogs

Wednesday, 2/14 – Chicken Nuggets, Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza

Thursday, 2/15 – Pasta & Meatballs, Hot Dog, or Chicken Nuggets

Friday, 2/16 – BBQ Chicken, Cheeseburger, or Mini Corn Dogs

Save the Date for



March 13th and 20th : 9 AM – 1 PM

April 4th and 11th: 1 PM – 5 PM

Please visit the homepage of our website for paperwork requirements:

<http://www-hce.stjohns.k12.fl.us/>

Upcoming Events at HCES:

- 2/2 – 2/13: Book Fair
- 2/16: Box Tops Due
- 2/16: Dance Extravaganza, 6:00 PM
- 2/19: Presidents Day Holiday, no school
- 2/19: PTO Spirit Night at Taps
- 2/23: 2nd and 3rd Grades Field Day (times TBA)
- 2/28: PTO Spirit Night at Moe's

Health Alert:

As many of you are aware, flu season is upon us. In order to help prevent the spread of the flu virus at school, parents should monitor their child for several signs and symptoms. The following may present suddenly: a high fever up to 104 degrees, chills, nasal discharge, extreme tiredness, headache and body aches and sore throat. If your child exhibits these symptoms please keep them home from school. They should remain at home until they are fever free for 24 hours (without the use of fever reducing medication). A fever at school is considered to be anything 100 degrees or greater. Upon their return to school, encourage your child to wash their hands often, as this is the best defense against the spread of germs. We appreciate your assistance with our efforts to keep our Hickory Creek students healthy!



Connect with us!!

Access our website at

<https://www-hce.stjohns.k12.fl.us/>

Find extra-curricular information at this link

on our website: 

“Like” us on Facebook – Hickory Creek Elementary School



Upcoming PTO Events

- February 16 – Dance Extravaganza, 6:00 PM
- February 19 – Spirit Night at Taps
- February 28 – Spirit Night at Moe's

Check out our website for more details:

<http://www.hcepto.org/>



We have many daytime events happening at HCES! When visiting the school during the day, ANY GUEST should be an approved volunteer. Please access <https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply/> to apply to be an “approved volunteer.”

When coming to visit, please stop by the front desk and sign in to our Keep'nTrack system. You will need to be prepared to present your ID to whomever is working at the front desk for verification. Please wear your visitor badge whenever you are in the building to alert our employees that you have clearance to be in the building.

If you are looking to check your child out early, or pick them up in the event they are ill, please be prepared to show your identification. It is not always the same person working at the front desk, and our staff has been instructed to verify authorization before releasing a student to an adult.

If a student comes to the front office before 3:15 to retrieve an item, the front office staff will call to make sure the teacher is in the room before letting the student back in the building. If the teacher is not in the room, or if it is after 3:15, that item will have to wait to be retrieved the next school day.

In the mornings before school, students are not admitted to the commons areas or classrooms, unless they have a predetermined activity such as patrols, band, etc. Students should not be in the commons areas or classrooms until 8:05 – when teacher supervision is available.

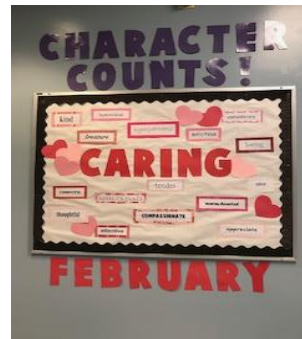
Birthday Treats Reminder

While birthday treats in the cafeteria are always welcomed for your child, please consider an alternative to cupcakes. Most cupcakes that are brought in have mounds of icing that cause extreme messiness in our cafeteria. Thank you!



Our Character Counts Pillar this month is :

CARING



What are ways to show others you care?

Dance Extravaganza



Bring your best dance moves!!!

Friday February 16th from 6-8 PM

We will have the Twisted Okie Food Truck available starting at 5:30 PM.

Cost: \$3 per student until February 13th

\$5 at the door (Parents and children 4 and under are free)

****Please enter through the Parent Pick Up Loop Doors only****



Hickory Creek Elementary School

FSA/SSA TESTING SCHEDULE

| Date | Test | Grade(s) |
|--|---------------|---|
| March 6 th | FSA Writes | 4 th and 5 th Grade |
| April 10 th -11 th | FSA Reading | 3 rd Grade |
| April 16 th – 17 th | FSA Reading | 5 th Grade |
| April 19 th – 20 th | FSA Reading | 4 th Grade |
| April 23 rd – 24 th | FSA Math | 5 th Grade |
| April 26 th – 27 th | FSA Math | 4 th Grade |
| April 30 th – May 1 st | FSA Math | 3 rd Grade |
| May 3 rd – 4 th | SSA (Science) | 5 th Grade |



Extended Day News

**Fall Registration – please visit the extended day webpage for all the details:

<http://www-hce.stjohns.k12.fl.us/extendedday/>

**All AM students and families please remember to use the new drop off procedures at the front of the school.

Thank you!

It's Time to Order Your.....
YEARBOOK!



To order your yearbook online, please visit:

www.leonards.com/yearbooks

Access Code: C422957

Thank you!