



# Week at the Creek

Week of March 7, 2022

## Hawk Families,

As Spring Break approaches, you will see some construction on our campus. We will continue to work on our landscape and begin preparation for our relocatables. Our relocatables will be located near the basketball court/Spirit House playground. Next school year, we will be able to add 6 classrooms because of these additions to our campus.

Hickory Creek 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades participated in an Internet Usage Survey. The distilled results are shared with you here in an infographic: [Third Grade](#); [Fourth Grade](#); [Fifth Grade](#). This might be a starting point for important discussions with your child regarding making healthy choices, balancing online and offline time, and creating family rituals built around setting boundaries. [Common Sense Media](#) has a ton of resources for parents. (Look in the Parents Need To Know section.)

Looking forward to another Week at the Creek!  
*Mrs. Yvette Cubero-Gonzalez*



## March

- 3/8 Spring Concert @ 6:30PM
- 3/11 NO SCHOOL: Teacher Planning
- 3/14-3/18 NO SCHOOL: Spring Break
- 3/24-3/31 Scholastic Spring Book Fair
- 3/29 Report Cards Issued

## April

- 4/5 FSA Writing – 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders
- 4/7-8 FSA ELA – 3<sup>rd</sup> graders
- 4/15 NO SCHOOL
- 4/18 NO SCHOOL
- 4/26 Interim Reports Issued
- 4/27 Character Cup @ Toco High School
- 4/29 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Glow Up FSA Dance\*

## Lunch Menu for Week of 3/7

*Breakfast is \$1.25, and lunch is \$2.80.*

### Monday 3/7

- Chicken Nuggets OR
- Chicken Quesadillas

### Tuesday 3/8

- Hot Dogs OR
- Mac n Cheese

### Wednesday 3/9

- Chicken Sandwich OR
- Cheese Sticks

### Thursday 3/10

- Pizza

### Friday 3/11

- NO SCHOOL

*Please note: As we transition to our new food distributor, there may be unannounced menu changes.*

## Planning for the 2022-2023 School Year

Can you believe we are planning for the next school year already?

If you have a student in Kindergarten-Fourth Grade, please take a moment to complete our [Parent Input Form](#).

The information shared will be helpful in placing students next school year.





## Royal Hawk Parking Spot

How would you like to SKIP carline the rest of the school year?!

Purchase tickets for a chance to win one of TWO Royal Hawk Parking Spots. The winners get to bypass the pick-up line each afternoon! TWO names will be drawn on Thursday, March 10.

Tickets can be purchased by visiting the following link.

<https://tools.ptoffice.com/Stores/2021-2022>

## PTO Board Nominations for 2022/2023 School Year

**Would you like to get involved with the Hickory Creek Elementary PTO?**

The Nominating Committee is gathering interested PTO members for the Executive Board and Standing Committees for the 2022/2023 School Year.

**If are interested, please email Kathleen Newman at [Katnewman6@gmail.com](mailto:Katnewman6@gmail.com)**

### Executive Board:

- President
- 1st Vice President - Events
- 2nd Vice President - Fundraising
- Recording Secretary
- Corresponding Secretary
- Treasurer
- Parliamentarian

### Standing Committee Chairpersons:

- Volunteer Coordinator
- Membership Coordinator membership records.
- Business Partner
- Public Relations

## SAC Needs Assessment Survey

We are already planning for the 2022-2023 school year! Your input is needed. Please take a moment to complete the SAC Needs Assessment Survey. We use data from this survey to plan for school improvement. Survey closes on March 31, 2022.

### Please visit:

<https://tinyurl.com/2p8km5m8>



## Controlled Open (School of Choice) Enrollment Now Open Deadline for all applications is March 25, 2022

Controlled choice options are permitted in accordance with Florida Statute 1002.31 and pursuant to School Board Rule 5.03 and will provide additional opportunities for students to attend any school in the state other than their zoned school that has available capacity.

For more information please visit:

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/coe/#timeline>.

### **UPDATED COVID-19 Information**

As we see an increase in COVID19 cases in our community, please review the SJCSD protocols found at <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/covid-19/>. In addition, please take time to review the [Student Health Screening Entry Form](#). Should your child have any of the symptoms listed, please consider keeping them home. We may see an increase in mask use, while not mandated, it is an option for our families and staff. We will respect each other's choice. If you are interested in desk shields for your child, please contact your child's teacher directly.

On 9/22/2021, the Department of Health updated their emergency rule (64DER21-15) to include instruction student quarantines.

1. *Student quarantines: (3)(a) Parents or legal guardians of students who are known to have been in direct contact with an individual who received a positive diagnostic test for COVID-19 may choose one of the following options:*
  - a. *1. Allow the student to attend school, school-sponsored activities, or be on school property, without restrictions or disparate treatment, so long as the student remains asymptomatic; or*
  - b. *2. Quarantine the student for a period of time not to exceed five days from the date of last direct contact with an individual that is positive for COVID-19.*

With the increase in COVID-19 numbers and need to make sure we are timely with our communication; we are asking parents to use an online form to report a positive student and we will adjust how we communicate with you regarding a positive COVID-19 case on campus.

To notify us of your child's positive COVID-19 test result we are requesting that you complete the [Optional Positive Student Reporting Form](#). However, should you feel you need to discuss your child's COVID-19 scenario in detail, please feel free to bypass the form and call the **District COVID Support Team at 904-547-8230**.



When we receive information regarding a positive student, we will communicate to **all** parents in the classroom that there has been a positive case in your child's class. In the past, we have only communicated to close contacts. By making this adjustment, we can notify parents faster and more efficiently.

For more information, please visit our school district's [COVID Information web page](#).

## Schoology Information

- This tool will house communication and instructional materials from your child's class.
- This tool will be used as an instructional resource for instructional access during quarantined periods (*if needed*).

[Click here](#) to watch the parent technology session. Schoology and Microsoft Office were discussed.

How to create a parent account:

- Get your Parent Access Code from Home Access Center (HAC).
- Go to [Schoology.com](https://www.schoology.com).
- Create your parent account.
- For help creating an account [click here](#).

Other links to help troubleshooting:

[Parent Log in](#)  
[How to link to your child's account](#)  
[District's Schoology page for parents](#)

## Absences

A **written note** is needed within 48 hours of returning to school stating the cause of the absence.

**Excused absences include personal illness, illness of an immediate family member, a death in the family, religious holidays of the student's established religious faith, required court or law agency appearances, public functions, state competitions, scheduled doctor or dentist appointments.**

For a complete list of excused and unexcused absences, refer to the [Student Code of Conduct](#)

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SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTING APP

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fldoe.org

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**ST JOHNS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
SHERIFF ROBERT A. HARDWICK

**EIGHTEEN APPS PARENTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT**

<b>LIVE ME</b> IS A LIVE-STREAMING VIDEO APP THAT USES GEOLOCATION TO SHARE VIDEOS SO USERS CAN FIND OUT A BROADCASTER'S EXACT LOCATION. USERS CAN EARN "COINS" AS A WAY TO "PAY" MINORS FOR PHOTOS.	<b>BUMBLE</b> IS SIMILAR TO THE POPULAR DATING APP "TINDER" HOWEVER, IT REQUIRES WOMEN TO MAKE THE FIRST CONTACT. KIDS HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO USE BUMBLE TO CREATE FAKE ACCOUNTS AND FALSIFY THEIR AGE.
<b>CALCULATOR%</b> IS ONLY ONE OF SEVERAL SECRET APPS USED TO HIDE PHOTOS, VIDEOS, FILES, AND BROWSER HISTORY.	<b>BADOO</b> IS A DATING AND SOCIAL NETWORKING APP WHERE USERS CAN CHAT, SHARE PHOTOS, AND VIDEOS AND CONNECT BASED ON LOCATION. WHILE THE APP IS INTENDED FOR ADULTS ONLY, TEENS ARE KNOWN TO CREATE PROFILES.
<b>HOLLA</b> IS A SELF-PROCLAIMED "ADULT-ONLY" VIDEO CHAT APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO MEET PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD IN JUST SECONDS. REVIEWERS SAY THEY HAVE BEEN CONFRONTED WITH RACIAL SLURS, EXPLICIT CONTENT, AND MORE.	<b>GRINDR</b> IS A DATING APP GEARED TOWARDS LGBTQ+ PEOPLE. THE APP GIVES USERS OPTIONS TO CHAT, SHARE PHOTOS, AND MEET UP BASED ON A SMART PHONE'S GPS LOCATION.
<b>DISCORD</b> IS AN APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO TALK TO FRIENDS AND STRANGERS IN REAL-TIME VIA VOICE, TEXT, OR VIDEO CHAT WHILE PLAYING VIDEO GAMES. REVIEWERS SAY THEY HAVE BEEN CONFRONTED WITH RACIAL SLURS, EXPLICIT CONTENT, AND MORE.	<b>SKOUT</b> IS A LOCATION-BASED DATING APP AND WEBSITE. WHILE USERS UNDER 17 YEARS OLD ARE UNABLE TO SHARE PRIVATE PHOTOS, KIDS CAN EASILY CREATE AN ACCOUNT USING A DIFFERENT AGE.
<b>ASK.FM</b> IS KNOWN FOR CYBER BULLYING. THE APP ENCOURAGES USERS TO ALLOW ANONYMOUS PEOPLE TO ASK THEM QUESTIONS.	<b>SNAPCHAT</b> IS ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR APPS IN RECENT YEARS. WHILE THE APP PROMISES USERS CAN TAKE A PHOTO/VIDEO AND IT WILL DISAPPEAR, NEW FEATURES INCLUDING "STORIES" ALLOWS USERS TO VIEW CONTENT FOR UP TO 24 HOURS. SNAPCHAT ALSO ALLOWS USERS TO SEE YOUR LOCATION.
<b>ROBLOX</b> IS AN ONLINE GAMING PLATFORM WITH A CHAT FUNCTION. UNDERAGE USERS HAVE HAD ISSUES WITH SOLICITATION FROM SEXUAL PREDATORS.	<b>HOT OR NOT</b> ENCOURAGES USERS TO RATE YOUR PROFILE, CHECK OUT PEOPLE IN THEIR AREA, AND CHAT WITH STRANGERS. THE GOAL OF THIS APP IS TO HOOK UP.
<b>WHATSAPP</b> IS A POPULAR MESSAGING APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO SEND TEXTS, PHOTOS, VOICEMAILS, MAKE CALLS, AND VIDEO CHATS WORLDWIDE. WHATSAPP USES AN INTERNET CONNECTION ON SMARTPHONES AND COMPUTERS.	<b>OMGIE</b> IS AN ONLINE CHAT SITE WHERE REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED. USERS ARE ABLE TO CHAT ANONYMOUSLY VIA VIDEO, PRIVATE CHATS, OR GROUP CHATS. CHILD PORNOGRAPHY HAS BEEN AN ISSUE ON THIS SITE.
<b>KIK</b> ALLOWS ANYONE TO CONTACT AND DIRECT MESSAGE YOUR CHILD. KIDS CAN BYPASS TRADITIONAL TEXT MESSAGING FEATURES. KIK GIVES USERS UNLIMITED ACCESS TO ANYONE, ANYWHERE, ANYTIME.	<b>MEETME</b> IS A DATING SOCIAL MEDIA APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO CONNECT WITH PEOPLE BASED ON GEOGRAPHIC PROXIMITY. AS THE APP'S NAME SUGGESTS, USERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO MEET EACH OTHER IN PERSON.
<b>WHISPER</b> IS AN ANONYMOUS SOCIAL NETWORK THAT PROMOTES SHARING SECRETS WITH STRANGERS. IT ALSO REVEALS A USER'S LOCATION SO PEOPLE CAN MEET UP.	<b>TIKTOK</b> IS A MOBILE DEVICE APP POPULAR WITH KIDS USED FOR CREATING AND SHARING SHORT VIDEOS. WITH VERY LIMITED PRIVACY CONTROLS, USERS ARE VERY VULNERABLE TO CYBER BULLYING AND EXPLICIT CONTENT.

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