



Week at the creek

December 11, 2023

Hawk families,

We are looking forward to our Chorus Concert this week! Please join us on Thursday, December 14 @ 6PM in the HCE Cafetorium. Our chorus is excited to share what they have been working on this season! We are hoping it puts you in a festive mood.

Please have your student look at our lost and found items. Lots of coats and jackets need to find their home before Winter Break.

As we have more and more volunteers in our building during holiday celebrations, and lunch, please be reminded that you should never record students. We have families in our building that have requested that their children not be pictured or recorded. Please help us honor this request.

Looking forward to a great Week at the Creek!



DECEMBER

- 12/11-12/15 Holiday Shoppe
- 12/18 PTO Sponsored: Staff Cookie Exchange
- 12/21 Second Quarter Ends
- 12/21 Early Dismissal @ 1:45PM
- 12/22-31 NO SCHOOL: Winter Break

JANUARY

- 1/1-3 NO SCHOOL: Winter Break
- 1/4 NO SCHOOL: Teacher Planning Day
- 1/5 NO SCHOOL: Teacher Inservice Day
- 1/15 NO SCHOOL: MLK, Jr Day
- 1/17 Report Cards Issued via HAC

Lunch Menu: Weeks of 12/11

Breakfast is \$1.75; Lunch \$3.25

Monday

- Chicken Nuggets
- Beef and Bean Chili

Tuesday

- Hot Dog
- Mac and Cheese

Wednesday

- BBQ Chicken
- Grilled Cheese

Thursday

- Cheese Pizza OR Pepperoni Pizza OR
- Mini Corn Dogs

Friday

- Hamburger or Cheeseburger OR
- Max Cheese Sticks

HCE Lunch Visits

December Lunch Visits

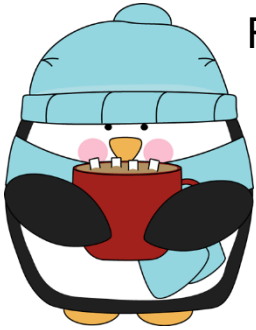
Please know that to participate you MUST be a cleared volunteer. If you have not had a chance to fill out our access form, please do so now at:

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/volunteer/>.

Please follow the directions on the HCE Lunch Visit sign up. Once you are done with your lunch visit, please exit the building through the main office.

We look forward to your visit.

Birthday and Holiday Treats



Families can bring in birthday and holiday treats that are prepackaged, store bought, and/or boxed items. Please do not send in homemade treats. Please contact the teacher 24 hours prior to bringing in any edible treats. The treat must be pre-approved by the teacher for potential allergens. The safety and health of all students is a priority.

THE HICKORY CREEK CHORUS PRESENTS:

It Feels Like Winter!

Thursday, Dec. 14th
@6pm in the Cafeteria

No admission fee



Happy Hanukkah to our Hawk families

that celebrate **The Festival of Lights.**

May this holiday season bring you joy,
peace, and health.



Home Access Center



The Home Access Center (HAC) is a web-based application and where you will find transportation information, student data, student grades, and how you will access your student's report card.

Please visit the website below to access to sign up for an account:

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/hac/>.

Join the **CHARACTER COUNTS!** Steering Committee for its 11th **ANNUAL**

CHARACTER COUNTS! 6K/3K RUN/WALK ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2024, AT 9

A.M. The run/walk will begin and end at Palencia Elementary School, located at 355 Palencia Village Drive, St. Augustine.

Walkers and runners will enjoy a course running through the neighborhoods of Kensington and Las Calinas and can choose to participate in the 6K (3.73 miles) or 3K (1.86 miles) distance.

Registration fees are as follows:

6K Walk/Run

\$30 before January 1

\$35 January 1 – February 2

\$40 on race day

3K Walk/Run

\$25 before January 1

\$30 January 1 – February 2

\$35 on race day

ELEVENTH ANNUAL
CHARACTER COUNTS!
IN ST. JOHNS COUNTY



FEBRUARY 3, 2024

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More information can be found here:

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/news/cc-run-walk-2024/>

Let's celebrate winter break in
style!

Hickory Creek Elementary School Holiday Spirit Week

DECEMBER 14 - 21



Thursday 12/14: Holiday Headgear: Christmas/winter hats, headbands, hair and or scarves.



Friday 12/15: Cozy Christmas socks or mismatched socks.
(does not need to be Christmas theme)



Monday 12/18: Christmas Spirit Day. Wear your festive attire or Ugly Sweaters!



Tuesday 12/19: Candy Cane Kindness Day. Wear your candy cane colors and bring in a candy cane to give to a friend!



Wednesday 12/20: Grinch Day. Dress as your favorite Whoville citizen.



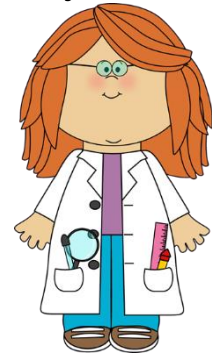
Thursday 12/21: Long Winter's Nap. Wear your pajamas (Christmas/ Holiday style if you have them.)

School dress codes apply all week. Please no face paint.

ILLNESS and prevention Guidelines

As flu season approaches, it is very important to follow the [SJCS D illness and prevention guidelines](#). Please do not send a student to school if they have any of the following symptoms:

- Fever of 100.4 or greater
- Chills
- General tiredness or not feeling good
- Frequent congested (wet) or croup-sounding cough
- Lots of nasal congestion with frequent blowing of nose
- Vomiting (even just once)
- Diarrhea
- Stomach pain that is accompanied by repeated vomiting or diarrhea. Note: if your child complains of stomach pain for several days, you should call your doctor for advice.
- Symptoms of cold or flu



Our students and staff thank you for your help in keeping everyone healthy!

Please note, in order to sign-in to our lobby computer as a volunteer, you **MUST** be a cleared volunteer and you **MUST** have a driver's license. Please follow the directions posted on the computer to sign in.

Ruth, our receptionist, can also help.

Please visit our site regarding school access:

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

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TO access our SSYRA Lists:

[SSYRA Junior Book List \(K-2\)](#)

[SSYRA Book List \(3-5\)](#)

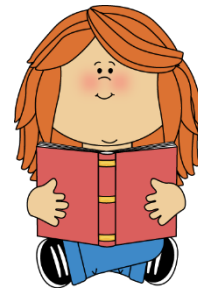
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Absences

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*.

Unexcused absences include: shopping trips, pleasure trips**, suspension from school, appointments without prior approval except in case of emergency, truancy, and other avoidable absences.

For a complete list of excused and unexcused absences, refer to page 18 in the [Student Code of Conduct](#).