



Week at the creek

February 19, 2024



Hawks,

Congratulations to our Chili Cook Off winners!

- 1st Jennifer Sosa
- 2nd Nichole Cook
- 3rd Melissa Abbs

A big THANK YOU to our PTO for sponsoring the chili cook off. Our teachers enjoyed sampling the delicious chili!

This week we kick off the Buddy-a-Thon fund raiser! Hickory Creek will participate in a Reading Buddy a Thon. The goal is to raise \$60,000. Our hope is to update and add to our technology. Please sign the permission form that went home. This will give permission for your child to attend our kickoff assembly!

We continue to collect items for our Pet Supply Drive. Please check page 6 of this newsletter for more information!

Looking forward to another Week at the Creek!



FEBRUARY

2/19 NO SCHOOL: President's Day

2/29 Deadline for our Animal Shelter Collection

MARCH

3/4 PTO Meeting @ 3:30PM

3/5 SAC Meeting @ 4PM

3/5 Grandparents Breakfast @ 7:30AM
(Last Names Li-Z)

3/6 Grandparents Breakfast @ 7:30AM
(Last Names A-Le)

3/7 PK-2 Field Day

3/8 3rd-5th Field Day

3/8 Third Quarter Ends

3/11-3/15 Spring Break

3/18 NO SCHOOL: Teacher Planning Day

3/26 Report Cards Issued on HAC

3/29 Spring Portraits

Lunch Menu: Week Of 2/19

Breakfast is \$1.75; Lunch \$3.25

Monday

- NO SCHOOL

Tuesday

- Hot Dog
- Mac and Cheese

Wednesday

- BBQ Chicken Quesadilla
- Grilled Cheese Sandwich

Thursday

- Cheese Pizza or Pepperoni Pizza
- Mini Corn Dogs

Friday

- Hamburger or Cheeseburger
- Max Cheese Sticks



HCE Lunch Visits

February Lunch Visits

Please note that there are **NO** photos or videotaping allowed in our cafeteria. Some students are on a do not photograph list.

Please honor this request.

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.

We look forward to your visit.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY

It is that time of year again for the SAC Parents/Family Needs Assessment Survey. The survey opens February 1st and closes on (end of day) March 30th. We use the information collected for school improvement.

Please follow this link: [Needs Assessment Survey](#)

For every 100 surveys completed, the whole school will earn a reward!!

100 surveys: Pajama Day

200 surveys: Popsicles for everyone

300 surveys: Disney Day

400 surveys: Dress like a Staff Member Day

... and if we make it past that, stay tuned for more fun!



AND

At the end of the survey window, grade levels will receive \$1 for every completed survey.



Hickory Creek Elementary
is excited for our
Reading Buddy-A-Thon

On Tuesday, February 20th we will have an assembly to kick off our *Reading Buddy-A-Thon*! Please return the signed the permission form that went home on Friday, February 16th. At the assembly students will meet *Dexter the Dragon* and learn how they can raise money for Hickory Creek and our initiative to update and add to our technology.

Our goal is to raise \$60,000!





KICKSTART YOUR CHARACTER!

HCES SOCCER CLUB

FEBRUARY 12 - APRIL 26

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

3:00 - 4:00 PM

Details:

- Kindergarten - 2nd Grade: Tuesdays
- 3rd - 5th Grade: Thursdays
- Limited to 20 students per group
- Students accepted on a first come, first serve basis
- Complete the attached form to sign up

Important Dates:

- February 2nd - All sign-up forms due
- February 13th & 15th - Club Begins!
- April 23rd: K-2 Showcase for Parents
- April 25th: 3rd - 5th Showcase for Parents

FREE!

Questions? Email Mr. Raynor at Michael.Raynor@stjohns.k12.fl.us



SWISS POINT MS

REGISTRATION SCHEDULE



FEBRUARY 22ND



9:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Ms. Wiley



10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Ms. Woods



10:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Ms. Petersen



1:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Ms. Rice



1:30 PM - 2:00 PM

Ms. Barnes



2:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Ms. Silva



The Hickory Creek PTO

Grandparents Breakfast

7:30 a.m.- 8:30 a.m.

HCE Cafeteria

March 5

Last Names Li-Z



March 6

Last Names A-Le

School Access is required for each guest.

Approval may take up to two weeks.

Please submit access requests as soon as possible.

<https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply>



PLEASE HELP US, HELP THEM!

DONATE

**HICKORY CREEK ELEMENTARY
PET SUPPLY DRIVE**



OUR LOCAL ANIMAL SHELTERS & RESCUES
DEPEND ON THE GENEROSITY OF THE
COMMUNITY TO SUSTAIN THEM, ALL ITEMS
COLLECTED AT HCE WILL GO DIRECTLY TO
THESE ANIMAL SHELTERS & RESCUES IN
SUPPORT OF HOMELESS CATS AND DOGS IN
OUR COMMUNITY.



**THANK
YOU!**

- Blankets & towels
- Heart worm & Flea prevention
- Cat & dog food
- Cat nip & dog toys/treats
- Leashes, collars, harnesses

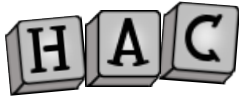
*** NO MONETARY
DONATIONS OR
GIFT CARDS ***

SUPPLIES WILL BE ACCEPTED
THROUGH FEB 29TH 2024
For any information please
contact Taylor Felvey or Cindy
Murrell



Birthday 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.



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/>.

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](#).

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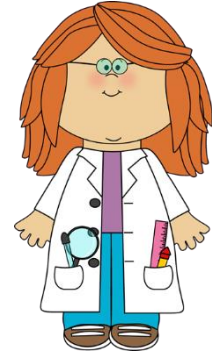
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ILLNESS and prevention Guidelines

Flu season is upon us, it is very important to follow the [SJCSJ 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!

MEDIA CENTER CORNER

TO ACCESS OUR SSYRA LISTS:

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

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

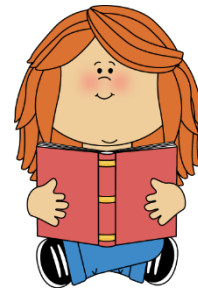
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Please note, in order to sign-in to our lobby computer as a volunteer, you **MUST** be a cleared volunteer and you **MUST** have a driver's license. Please follow the directions posted on the computer to sign in.

Ruth, our receptionist, can also help.

Please visit our site regarding school access:

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