



# Week at the creek

March 4, 2024

Hawks,

Our *Reading Buddy A Thon* continues! Our goal is to raise \$60,000! At this time, we are not near that goal. Hickory Creek is in need to update their technology in our computer labs. In addition, we would like to add to our technology with laptop carts. We are hopeful that with your efforts we can make our goal. Please refer to page 3 of our newsletter to find out how you can help!

This week, we welcome our Grandparents on campus for our annual *Grandparents' Breakfast*. We look forward to this event every year! Please plan ahead as traffic and parking will be affected.

Coach Mecke and Coach McKay have been busy planning a fun *Field Day*! Please check with your child's teacher for the scheduled time. We ask that parents park in the baseball field and join your student's class at the field.

Looking forward to another Week at the Creek!



## 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 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 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 3/4

Breakfast is \$1.75; Lunch \$3.25

### Monday

- Chicken Nuggets AND
- Garlic Ripstick OR Chili OR
- Pizza Lunchable

### 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

### March 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 1<sup>st</sup> and closes on (end of day) March 30<sup>th</sup>. 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's Reading Buddy-A-Thon

**KEEP UP THE MOMENTUM!**

LAST CHANCE TO QUALIFY FOR THE BUDDY-A-THON STUFFING DAY IS **TUESDAY, MARCH 5!** Please see page 3 of our newsletter on how you can participate! We are extending the Golden Ticket prizes throughout the fundraiser. All students that register AND send 10+ emails have a chance to earn two FREE prizes!

**Our goal is to raise \$60,000!**





# HURRY!

## DON'T MISS IT



A big thank you to everyone that has participated so far!

Tuesday, March 5th is the last day to qualify for the Buddy-A-Thon Stuffing Day!



## IT'S NOT TOO LATE

Scan the QR code or <https://bit.ly/3OPkDOU>



Send 10+ emails/texts to start earning Buddies!



Don't forget, you can still return the Golden Ticket to win FREE prizes.



# GOURMET POPCORN

MARCH 4 - MARCH 19

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See your student's take home folder for ordering form.

On-site pre-sales will be available at Grandparents Breakfast.



\$6 Savory & Kettle Flavors  
\$9 Caramel & Candy Flavors

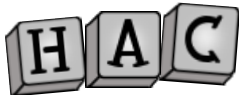
\$15 Chocolate Flavors

Serving Size: 4 Cups



## 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/>.

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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\*.

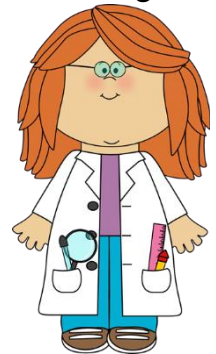
**Unexcused absences include:** shopping trips, pleasure trips\*\*, suspension from school, appointments without prior approval except in case of emergency, truancy, and other avoidable absences.

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

## ILLNESS and Prevention Guidelines

Flu season is upon us, 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!

# MEDIA CENTER CORNER

TO access our SSYRA Lists:

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

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

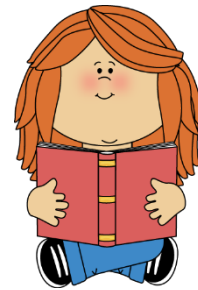
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ACCESS  
Individualized  
Library PLAN  
Info here:



**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/>