



Week at the Creek

November 4, 2024

Hawks,

This week was a busy one for our Hawks! Our fifth graders hosted idiom day on Wednesday. Our students were excited for staff members to guess their idioms. Staff members loved the creativity! On Thursday we had our annual Storybook Character Day. Our students paraded their characters and book choice for each other on our bus loop. We even had some dinosaur sightings in the area! Thank goodness Deputy Sally was on campus to save the day!

We would love to thank our PTO! This week they teamed up with our Cafeteria Manager, Cindy Murrell, to host our annual Staff Tailgate. Our staff was treated to walking tacos for lunch. Staff also enjoyed some friendly banter on what team will win this

weekend...are you rooting for **THE GATORS** or for **THE DAWGS**?

Continue to check our website for more information: <https://www-hce.stjohns.k12.fl.us/>.

Spirit Day EVERY Friday!

Wear your HCE spirit wear



November

- 11/5 SAC Meeting @ 4PM
- 11/11 HURRICANE MAKEUP DAY
- 11/11 Picture Day
- 11/12 PTO Meeting @ 3:30PM
- 11/13 Fund Run
- 11/15 Picture Makeup Day
- 11/15 Veterans Day Chorus Concert
- 11/20 Donuts with Grownups 2nd grade
- 11/25-11/29 NO SCHOOL: Thanksgiving Break
- TBD HCE Musical Auditions

December

- 12/3 SAC Meeting @ 4PM
- 12/10 PTO Meeting @ 3:30PM
- 12/13 PTO Sponsored: Hot Cocoa and PJs Movie Night
- 12/16-12/20 Holiday Shoppe
- 12/18 PTO Sponsored: Staff Cookie Exchange
- 12/20 Second Quarter Ends

Lunch Menu for Week of 11/4

Breakfast is \$1.75; Lunch \$3.25

Monday

- French Toast Sticks
- Chicken Biscuit
- Pappa Johns Pizza

Tuesday

- Pasta w/Marinera and choice of Meatballs

Wednesday

- Chicken Sandwich
- BBQ Turkey Sandwich

Thursday

- Cheese OR Pepperoni Pizza
- Mini Corndogs

Friday

- Hamburger OR Cheeseburger
- Max Cheese Sticks



*PLEASE NOTE THAT STUDENTS MUST HAVE MONEY IN THEIR ACCOUNT TO PURCHASE PAPPA JOHNS.

Please check your student's balance weekly.

HCE Lunch Visits

November 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.



DISMISSAL CHANGES

DISMISSAL CHANGES are accepted until 2:00 p.m. (M, T, TH, F) and 1:00 p.m. (W).

EARLY CHECK-OUTS (for any reason) must be completed by 2:10 (M, T, TH, F) and 1:10 p.m. (W).

Your respect for our dismissal policy helps maintain safety and security as we complete attendance/check-out reports accurately before students prepare for and move to their dismissal stations. It is often very difficult to locate students or get them ready to leave early during the last minutes prior to dismissal bell. Teachers and students are completing lessons, packing up, or on the move to dismissal stations.

Please use the [Dismissal Change Form](#) found on the HCE website.

Hurricane Instructional Minutes Makeup

Due to Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton our students missed 5 days of instruction. We are required to makeup 3 out of the 5 days missed. Our district will make these three days in the following manner: Veterans Day will now be a school day, and 10 Early Release Wednesdays will be adjusted to full instructional days beginning November 13. The following Wednesdays are now full instructional days: November 13, November 20, December 4, December 11, December 18, January 8, January 15, January 22, January 29, and February 5. This change impacts the following:

- **Chess Club** → Will meet at 3PM instead of 2PM.
- **Percussion** → Will meet at 2:45PM instead of 1:45PM.
- **Extended Day Wednesday ONLY** → Extended Day coordinator will contact effected families with options.
- **WOW Wednesday** → Our WOW Wednesdays will pause from November 13 to February 12. Students will follow our regular Related Arts rotation during these dates.

Veteran's Day Wall of Honor

HCE is honored to recognize Veterans and active military family members. Please use the template attached to the Week at the Creek email. Complete the template and send to your student's teacher. We will create a Wall of Honor in our main hallway.



For more information please visit:

<https://hcepto.org/fundrun>

As of November 1st, at 2PM we have raised \$6, 456!

Our top three classes are:

Ms. Phillips, **MRS. RODRIGUEZ**, and **Mrs. Spencer!**



Home Access Center

The Home Access Center (HAC) is a web-based application that is part of our Student Information System called eSchoolPlus.

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

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



This system provides parents and students with a daily summary page, schedule and attendance, discipline information, class work, test scores and course requests for all students in grades 3-5. This is also where families can access their student's interim report and report card. If you need assistance with your account, please contact our Computer Operator, Lizeth Antonetti.

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 the [Student Code of Conduct](#).

MEDIA CENTER CORNER

To access our SSYRA Books and Information 24-25: [SSYRA](#)

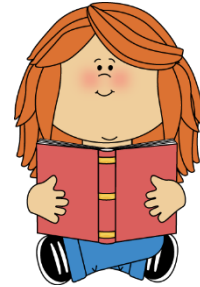
Search library
catalog here:



Submit a purchase
recommendation
here:



Access Parental
Choice Library
Book Restriction
Form** here:



***Parents may utilize this form to restrict titles their child may check out in the school library.*

Cell Phones and Other Wireless Devices*

Page 26 on [the Student Code of Conduct](#) states:

Students may possess cellular telephones and other wireless communication devices at school, on buses, and at school functions. However, **they must be turned off**, stored in student's backpack, purse, locker or vehicle. **The device shall not be used during the school day without administrative approval or on school buses to and from school.** Upon administrative approval, use is limited between classes and during lunch only. Students may not use a wireless communication device during instructional time, except when expressly directed by a teacher solely for educational purposes. Failure to comply may result in the device being confiscated. Repeated failure to comply will be considered defiance of school rules.



*Wireless devices include smart watches. All smart watches should be on Airplane Mode while on campus. Texting, making, or receiving calls, and/or recordings on a smart watch are not allowed. Failure to comply may result in the device being confiscated.

SCHOOL ACCESS

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/>



Join New Worlds Reading, Investing in Kids, and Freedom Crossing Academy for

Literacy Night

HAVE FUN WHILE:

- Learning strategies and getting tips and tools to help your child in their reading development!
- Enjoying a free meal for registered participants.
- Participating in reading activities and games.

November

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Monday

5:30 pm

**Freedom Crossing Academy
1365 Shetland Drive, St. Johns 32259**

Pre-register with the QR code:

