

Week at the Creek

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Greetings Fabulous Hickory Creek Families!

Last week was such a great time of fun-filled literacy activities here at HCES! We want to say a special thanks to Mrs. Miller, our Literacy Coach, who organized so many wonderful events for our students.

It is hard to believe that we are almost done with January and moving on to February. Looking ahead, we have many great things to look forward to next month. Our Book Fair (that was postponed due to Hurricane Irma) will be opening this Friday and running through February 13th.

Our classes will be taking their group pictures on February 6th. A notice should be coming home this week with ordering information.

Our county is sponsoring their annual Character Counts 3K/6K at Palencia Elementary this weekend. If you are interested in this fun event, information can be found at <http://www.racesmith.com/races/CHARACTERCOUNTS.html>

I wish you a healthy and productive week!

Sincerely,

Joy Reichenberg, Principal



Attention Parents of 4th and 5th Grade students: the FSA Writing Assessment will be on March 6, 2018. Please make sure that your child is present at school that day. Thank you!



Tuesday, 1/30 – Cheese Calzonette, Pepperoni Calzonette, Chicken Sandwich, Mini Corn Dogs

Wednesday, 1/31 – Chicken Nuggets, Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza

Thursday, 2/1 – Pasta & Meatballs, Hot dog, Chicken Nuggets

Friday, 2/2 – BBQ Chicken, Cheeseburger, Mini Corn Dogs

Upcoming Events at HCES:

- 1/31 – 2/2: Character Cup Tryouts after school (5th grade students)
- 2/2 – 2/13: Book Fair
- 2/5-2/12: Valentine Grams for sale through Student Council
- 2/6: Class Picture Day
- 2/6: PTO Mtg @1:00; SAC Mtg @ 4:00
- 2/9: Interims
- 2/13: Box Tops Due
- 2/16: Dance Extravaganza, 6:00 PM

Health Alert:

As many of you are aware, flu season is upon us. In order to help prevent the spread of the flu virus at school, parents should monitor their child for several signs and symptoms. The following may present suddenly: a high fever up to 104 degrees, chills, nasal discharge, extreme tiredness, headache and body aches and sore throat. If your child exhibits these symptoms please keep them home from school. They should remain at home until they are fever free for 24 hours (without the use of fever reducing medication). A fever at school is considered to be anything 100 degrees or greater. Upon their return to school, encourage your child to wash their hands often, as this is the best defense against the spread of germs. We appreciate your assistance with our efforts to keep our Hickory Creek students healthy!



Connect with us!!

Access our website at

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

Find extra-curricular information at this link

on our website:



“Like” us on Facebook – Hickory Creek Elementary School



Upcoming PTO Events

- February 1 – Movie Night Planning Meeting – please join us at 1:30!
- February 6 – February Meeting, 1:00 PM
- February 16 – Dance Extravaganza, 6:00 PM
- February 28 – Spirit Night at Moe's

Check out our website for more details:

<http://www.hcepto.org/>



We have many daytime events happening at HCES! When visiting the school during the day, ANY GUEST should be an approved volunteer. Please access <https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply/> to apply to be an “approved volunteer.”

When coming to visit, please stop by the front desk and sign in to our Keep'nTrack system. You will need to be prepared to present your ID to whomever is working at the front desk for verification. Please wear your visitor badge whenever you are in the building to alert our employees that you have clearance to be in the building.

If you are looking to check your child out early, or pick them up in the event they are ill, please be prepared to show your identification. It is not always the same person working at the front desk, and our staff has been instructed to verify authorization before releasing a student to an adult.

If a student comes to the front office before 3:15 to retrieve an item, the front office staff will call to make sure the teacher is in the room before letting the student back in the building. If the teacher is not in the room, or if it is after 3:15, that item will have to wait to be retrieved the next school day.

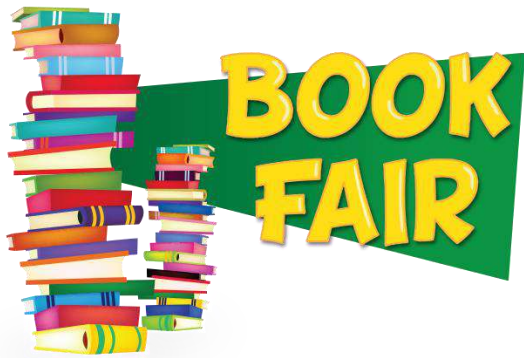
In the mornings before school, students are not admitted to the commons areas or classrooms, unless they have a predetermined activity such as patrols, band, etc. Students should not be in the commons areas or classrooms until 8:05 – when teacher supervision is available.

Extended Day News

- Payments due Feb. 1st for Extended Day
- Extended Day Fall Registration: You will need to pick up paperwork at HCE. No forms will be available online.
 - March 13- for NEWLY Registered Students & Kindergarten ONLY
 - April 4th- Current Registered HCE students



Student Council will be selling Candy Grams for Valentine's Day in all house commons from 8:05am to 8:25am starting February 1st running thru February 12th. Candy grams including a place for a message and a lollipop will be 25 cents each and Candy grams including a place for a message, lollipop, and a stretchy bracelet will be sold for 50 cents each. All Candy grams will be delivered to classrooms on Valentine's Day by Student Council.



"For the Love of Books" Book Fair is coming soon to HCES! Dates for the fair are Friday, February 2nd – Tuesday, February 13th. There will be (2) Family Nights at the fair on Tuesday, February 6th and Thursday, February 8th. We hope to see you there!

Attention Parents of Morning Extended Day and Parents of Band Students:

On **Monday, February 5th**, we will open up the new sidewalk/ café entrance for students to enter the building for Extended Day and Band. Extended Day Parents, please park in our main parking lot and **walk your children into the cafeteria** using the new sidewalk. Band parents, please park and only allow your children to walk up to the sidewalk when the adult volunteer is in place to supervise them.

Thank you for your patience as we continue to strive for the safest environment for your child!



January Fun at HCES!





R.J. MURRAY MIDDLE SCHOOL CENTER FOR THE ARTS

2018–2019 Application

Auditions: January 29th, 2018

Applications accepted:

January 18th–February 8th, 2018

