

HENDRICKS ELEMENTARY FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

A Message from the Principal

Dear Hawk Families,

Congratulations to all of our students who set goals and received awards at our January 20th awards assembly. We are proud of how many students are making gains with the new math fact awards. Academic achievement begins at home and as a school we appreciate your partnership with our staff and extra time helping you instill great work habits in your children. Mark your calendars for **early release day, Thursday, February 2, 2017**. There will be a noon dismissal on that day. It is also our **gum day**.

#Love Of Reading - Our Love of Reading week will be celebrated the week of **February 13-17**. Thanks to our committee for scheduling such a fun filled week. Show Your Emojions!

#Second graders will perform on **February 20th** in the MPR at 6 pm. Their Rodeo Show is real cute. Don't miss this one! Remember, **no school on Thursday and Friday, February 23 & 24** in observance of Fiesta de los Vaqueros, a time honored Tucson tradition.

#Kindergarten Round Up – Do you know of any incoming students for the 2017-2018 school year. Our Kindergarten Round Up is **March 17, 2017**, 8-10 am. If you would like a school tour, please contact Darlene Jones at **520-696-8401**.

#Wellness Wednesdays – Students have been walking/running themselves each Wednesday. It is great to see such large numbers of students exercising together. Several students have reached the 20 mile mark and will get the T Shirt. Keep up the fun at lunch.

#K-3 Literacy goal – We thank all those families who make the time each week to complete the fluency at home activities. If you need a refresher or were unable to attend the trainings, please visit our home page and check out the training video.

<http://youtu.be/YI0yXOILRC0>

6th Grade Jr. High Registration: The transition to Jr. High is an intimidating time for many families. **Parents of 6th graders**, please mark your calendars to attend a parent informational meeting designed to help educate you to the process of Junior High registration. This meeting is at the FWJH auditorium on **Thursday, February 9th at 6 pm**. The JH administration will be at Hendricks on **Tuesday, February 14th** to begin the registration process with our Hawk students for next year. Also, there will be a trip to visit and tour FWJH for our Sixth graders on **Friday, February 17th**. Check your mail and watch for the permission slip. If you have any questions about the transition or wish to take a tour of the Jr. High campus, contact **Dr. Kim Parkinson** at 696-8552. She is more than happy to give a tour.

Hue Run – The Hue Run is right around the corner on **April 28th**. If you would like to be a sponsor, please contact Jessica Devoy at 520-275-5383

As always, it is an honor to serve you as principal of Hendricks Elementary School. If you have questions or concerns I welcome your open communication.

Attention 6th Grade Parents:

We hope you will join us on **Tuesday, February 9th at 6:00pm** in the **Flowing Wells Junior High auditorium** for **6th Grade Parent Night!** Come and learn more about the outstanding education your child will receive at FWJHS, including many exciting learning opportunities beyond the classroom. Junior High staff and administrators will share information and answer all of your questions. Also, **each family who attends 6th Grade Parent Night will be entered into a drawing to win FWJH apparel and a grand prize voucher to cover the cost of all registration fees (over \$100 value)!** We look forward to meeting you!

Thanks for helping us to soar higher,



Peter M. Wells
Principal
696-8401

Important Contact Numbers:

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Darlene Jones, Administrative Assistant – 696-8401 • Zule Olivas, Cafeteria Manager – 696-8408

Title I Reading:

Start the New Year Off Right: Resolve to Raise a Reader!

Many New Year's resolutions focus on developing healthy habits. Here's one that is important to make and keep: provide a regular diet of books and reading for your child.

Read every day

A daily reading routine will give all the readers in your family a chance to read with your child. Dads, moms, siblings, caregivers, and friends can all be a part of ensuring your child gets 20 minutes of being read to each day.

Do things, and then talk about it

It's great to offer new experiences to your child, such as a visit to the zoo or museum, but a trip to the grocery store or a neighborhood park can be just as educational. Talk about what you are seeing and ask your child what he thinks of it. When possible, use interesting words to describe what you're seeing.

Read everywhere you go

You can find reading on the road, at the bus stop, in the store, and at the restaurant. Play a game to find words when you are out and about or take a look at home for words on everyday items like cereal boxes, toothpaste, and household appliances.

Be a reading role model

Your child wants to imitate you and be like you. Have plenty of reading material for yourself as well as for your child. Tell your child how much you enjoy reading.

Title I Spring Review Meeting – Monday, February 20th at 2:45 pm – Anyone is welcome to attend.

Music:

Our district wide Band and Orchestra Festivals at Flowing Wells High School will be held at this year on the following dates:

February 15th - Band Festival

February 16th - Orchestra Festival

All band and orchestra students must pass their playing quizzes in order to attend. It is also a big part of their grade for this quarter. Please ask your young musician to play their songs for you as practice. More information regarding these events will be sent home soon.

It's almost RODEO time, which means our 2nd graders are heading on stage. Please mark **February 20th** on your calendars. The program will begin at **6:00pm** and students need to arrive at school at 5:45. We are asking all singers to wear blue jeans with a solid color shirt. If you have a special cowboy or cowgirl outfit, we welcome those as well (no hats, please). We look forward to sharing our songs with you!

Book Fair

You are cordially invited to a very special event! The library is in need of your support. First off, allow me to say Thank you. To all our students, parents, grandparents, and friends who have so graciously visited and shopped in the past ... once again we call upon your help and support as we hold our annual Hendricks Library Book Fair. As you are aware, this book fair is our means of adding new titles to our shelves in the library and we cherish the thought of being able to read exciting new books. Timing and dates will be as posted because I will be traveling from my other school back to Hendricks on some of the days. I am still optimistic though because ... Hendricks. ... as we all know – ROCKS! So please stop by on any of the times listed. Hope to see you there!

February 13-17

Feb 13, 14, & 15 – 7:30-7:55; 11:30-12:30; 2:30-3:30

Feb 16 & 17 – 2:30-3:30

PTO:

The next Gum Day is Thursday, February 2nd. You can buy your license for \$1.00 in the hallway Tuesday and Wednesday mornings of that week. You can also buy them from the classroom teachers on the morning of the 2nd.

Keep sending in your Box Tops! We have already made over \$1,200 this school year. Our final collection will be **February 21st** and the last contest is for individual classrooms. The competition is tough so ask friends and family members to help you collect!

The next monthly meeting is **March 21st at 2:30 pm** in the volunteer center. Please join us!

We are in the beginning stages of our 3rd Annual Hue Run which will be on **April 28th**. We are continuing to look for sponsors so that we can provide a free t-shirt to all of the students. Please contact the PTO about sponsoring at hendrickspto@yahoo.com before **February 28th**. Donations made to the PTO are tax deductible, so let us know if you have anyone who would like to donate.

Attention Hawks Families:

PTO will be coordinating a **Hendricks Hawks Hue Run** on **April 28th**. The students will be collecting pledges from friends and family that will benefit our school. On the designated day they will be out on the track and run through several color stations and a crawl station. This is a fun and healthy way to earn money! We are currently looking for businesses that would be willing to sponsor the run. We are hoping to print t-shirts for every student and the sponsor names will go on the shirt. If you or someone you know would like to help please contact us at hendrickspto@yahoo.com. Our PTO has obtained non-profit status with the IRS so all donations are tax-deductible.

Hawks with Honor

Kindergarten	Dracen Cowen	Mariano Morales	Eli Diaz
First Grade	Carter Schiess	Larissa McPhail	Anaysa Aguila
Second Grade	Alicia Demichellis	Miranda Castillo Ocaño	Nathaniel Apple
Third Grade	Josiah Ramirez	Marcus Devoy	Cole Burch
Fourth Grade	Sierra Ott	Reyly Armstrong	Anaiha Rodriguez
Fifth Grade	Daniel Morales	Amayah Ramirez	
Sixth Grade	Julie Nguyen	Paige Griner	
First Base	Edwin Prested		
Second Base	Zoey Ellis		

BUILDING BLOCK OF CHARACTER – Amayah Ramirez

Optimist Students of the Month

Sierra Ott and **Reyly Armstrong** will both attend a luncheon at Sullivan's Steakhouse on Wednesday, **February 8, 2017** and will receive a \$25.00 gift card and a certificate for continually demonstrating the 3 R's at Hendricks.

Kindergarten

Our kindergarten classes have been working hard learning new popcorn words, celebrating the 100th Day of School, writing our numbers, and reading! Thank you to the many families who attended our parent night. We're hoping that you learned some new ideas to help your child be a better reader in kindergarten. February will be full of fun as well. Stay "in the know" by continuing to check your child's homework folder every day. Thank you!

Kindergarten Round Up

Do you know a future Kindergarten student? Invite them to come to **Kindergarten Round up** on **Friday, March 17th from 8-10 am.** Please bring birth certificate, shot records and proof of residence

Fantastic First Grade

We want to **THANK our families** for coming out to support our first graders at their Awards Assembly! We also want to say "**Thank you**" to all of those parents who continue to support our team by:

- Sending a water bottle with your child
- Providing class snacks
- Getting your child to school on time
- Reading and helping your child with homework every night
- Praising and reinforcing green lights
- Greeting us at dismissal
- Volunteering your time

This Month's Activities:

- Thursday, February 2nd – Early Release (Noon)
- February 13th – 17th - Love of Reading Spirit Week
- Tuesday, February 14th – Valentine's Day
- Wednesday, February 22nd – Desert Museum Field Trip
- February 23rd and 24th – Rodeo Break (No School)

Second Grade

We want to send a special thank you to all the parents who came to Sabino Canyon! We hope you had a great time and learned a lot about this beautiful desert we live in!

February is an exciting month for second graders! We will be celebrating friendship and kindness on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14th and studying the culture of the Tucson Rodeo with fun activities. Be sure to mark the **Second Grade Rodeo Show** on your calendar. It will be held in the MPR on Monday, **February 20th at 6:00 p.m.** The children have been working very hard to learn all the songs for this fabulous music show. In addition, **Love of Reading Week is in February!** If you are interested in reading to your child's class, contact your child's teacher! We'd love to have guest readers all throughout February!

During all this excitement, sometimes the third quarter tends to be a time when students are not as motivated and grades tend to drop. You can help to keep your child motivated by checking in each day and talking about school. Discuss the homework that is sent home and check to see that it is done correctly. Check in with your child on subtraction math facts because it is harder this quarter. Keep a regular routine for bedtime and getting homework done and especially, keep up the nightly reading! Thank you for your support and teamwork to help your child prepare for the future and thrive in second grade!

Third Grade

We will be taking our third DAP tests in February, and AzMERIT is right around the corner in March. This semester, we will have three math fact tests for the math awards: addition, subtraction, and multiplication. Students will have three minutes on each test (50 problems each). Please encourage your child to do their personal best every day!

This quarter we are learning about water. We will be taking a field trip to the Sweetwater Wetlands the end of February, so please keep your eye out for information on that. With testing approaching, it is critical for all students to be reading nightly and completing all homework assignments. Your child should be halfway through another chapter book, and keeping track of the story on the daily reading log. We will send home information on another book report project soon.

Thank you for all of your support!

Fourth Grade

January was a busy month for fourth graders. In Science we will begin our Unit on Weather. Be sure to ask your little meteorologist about their hands on learning!

In the area of math, math fact mastery continues to be of utmost importance. Studying to reach the highest level possible of the Math Fact Award requires practice and determination.

In reading, students have had a great start to the semester! Theme 4 Essential Question is “What is creativity and does it make our lives better?” The stories the students have been reading from their anthologies have been about inventors, artists and a tale about giant parents. Our next writing project will align with the essential question coming up very soon. It is appreciated that each student have a chapter book for class each day. Continue to study for weekly vocabulary tests.

A BIG welcome to Mrs. Wendt! We’re so glad to have her back!

Once again, we enjoy the partnership of working with you for success for your child.

Fifth Grade

February is sure to be a busy month in 5th grade. The third DAP tests in reading and math are scheduled for the third and fourth week in February. To help ensure your child is ready for these tests, make sure they are completing all math homework and reading at home. Be sure your child gets a good night’s sleep and eats a healthy breakfast in anticipation of these important assessments. Specific dates coming soon.

We just returned from Old Tucson and had a blast! Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to chaperone our students, and those who met us out there. We appreciate your support.

We are also looking forward to a **Valentine’s Day party on Friday the 10th** . Students are invited to exchange valentines with one another, but it is not mandatory. We request that if your child chooses to participate, he or she provide a valentine for each of their classmates.

Please continue to monitor your child’s progress on Power School, as well as check their planner daily for academic and behavioral updates.

Sixth Grade

ATTENTION ALL 6TH GRADE PARENTS

Flowing Wells Junior High Registration

February 9th

6th Grade Parent Informational Night at FWJH – 6:00 pm in the auditorium.

February 14th

FWJH Site visit to Hendricks – 9:30 am – 6th Grade rooms

February 17th

6th Grade visit to FWJH – 9:30 – 11:30 am

Important Dates

February 1	GAP Dinner
February 2	Early Release Day Gum Day
February 7	Girls Basketball A Team Hendricks @ Richardson
February 8	GAP Dinner
February 9	Girls Basketball B Team Richardson @ Hendricks
February 13-17	Book Fair Love of Reading Week
February 14	Girls Basketball A Team Laguna @ Hendricks
February 15	GAP Dinner Band Festival
February 16	Girls Basketball B Team Hendricks @ Laguna Orchestra Festival 4 th Grade Parent Night
February 20	Girls Basketball A Team Hendricks @ Douglas Second Grade Performance
February 21	Girls Basketball A Team Douglas @ Hendricks
February 22	GAP Dinner
February 28	Girls Basketball A Team Centennial @ Hendricks

Health Office

Cold and Flu Season is upon us and running strong!

If your child has a fever of 100 degrees or higher, they are to be kept home until fever has diminished without fever reducing medications for 24 hours. Please encourage good hand washing techniques to avoid the spread of illnesses.

Any medication including over the counter medications should accompany a prescription from the doctor and a form filled out in the school health office. (Includes; cough drops, Tylenol, Ibuprofen, and cough syrup, etc...)

Vision Referrals:

If your student didn't pass our school wide screening a letter of referral was sent via mail. Please follow up with an Optometrist. Your students' academics depend on it. Please help encourage hydration and eating healthy. A healthy body and mind means happy, healthy students.

FLOWING WELLS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION



Presents the 24th Annual

FESTIVAL UNDER THE STARS!

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2017

5:00 PM ~ 9:00 PM

Held at:

Flowing Wells High School - Common Area
3725 N. Flowing Wells Road



RAFFLE PRIZES

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT 50/50

Featuring students and staff from all schools in the FW District!

ACTIVITY BOOTHS & Game Booths

FOOD TRUCK COURT - FOOD VARIETY

CASH ONLY - NO tickets



Bring your family and friends for an evening of entertainment. Come with an appetite and enjoy a night out.

Pre-sale Tickets are available at each school site until the morning of April 21, 2017

You will be able to purchase pre-sale tickets in HR office until 3 p.m.

Raffle tickets \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00

Activity Tickets .25¢ each or 5 tickets for \$1.00

NOTE:

Activity tickets purchased on the day of Festival will be sold for 4 for \$1.00. Raffle tickets will be sold at \$1.00 each.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

