



HORNET HERALD

Parent Night – Thank You!

This week we presented information about our reading intervention program at our Conversation with the Administration Night. Thank you for attending the event and sharing your ideas and concerns with our school staff. At the event, we discussed why we chose to use the research-based Response to Intervention model to enhance our reading instruction, how students are assessed and placed into need-based groups, how reading intervention supports core reading instruction in the classroom, and shared student achievement data from the first round of reading intervention groups. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Robertson or Mrs. Gannon.

We hope that you will join us for our next Conversation with the Administration Night on January 24 from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. in the HHES library. At this events, we will discuss our special program, including Highly Capable program and English Language Learner Program and will have

Kindergarteners Learn About Weather

Students in Mrs. Hoffman's kindergarten class have been studying the weather as a part of their science instruction. To help make their learning come alive, Mrs. Hoffman partnered with our ESD to help connect her students with other Kindergarteners learning about weather. The students connected with a Kindergarten class in Florida to compare and contrast their observations about the weather.



Picture: Mrs. Hoffman's Kindergarten students video chat with Kindergarten students in Florida.

Fifth Grade Concert

It was a special treat to see our fifth grade students perform in this week's Band Concert and performance of Elfis and the Frozen Princess. The band played 14 music selections including section features from students playing the flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone and baritone, and percussion. Thank you to beginning band directors Ms. Ritenburgh and Mr. McEnry. Next, fifth graders from Ms. Miles' and Mrs. Ramirez's classes performed a theatrical production featuring 5 songs, speaking parts featuring 37 fifth grade students, and some fantastic acting. Way to go fifth graders!



Picture: Families gather to watch the *Elfis and the Frozen Princess*.

Giving Tree

Just a reminder that our Giving Tree event and canned food drive will run through next Friday, Dec. 21. All canned foods, clothing items, and gifts will be collected and distributed in our community by Fire District 3. Thank you for your generosity and willingness to help our community members have a healthy and happy holiday.

Hockinson Heights Happenings

- December 24 – January 4: No School – Winter Break
- January 7: School Resumes
- January 7: PBIS Presentations
- January 8: PBIS Parade
- January 8: PWT Meeting
- January 21: Martin Luther King Jr. Day – No School
- January 28: Semester Break – No School
- February 1: Report Cards Go Home
- February 1: PBIS Presentations
- February 5: Grade 4 NAEP Testing
- February 11 – 13, 19 – 20: CogAT Testing
- February 15 & 18: President's Day: No School
- February 25 – March 1: ELPA Testing
- March 1: PBIS Presentations
- March 6: First Grade OCT Field Trip
- March 12: PWT Meeting
- March 25 – 29: Spring Parent – Teacher Conferences – 3 hour early release
- April 1 – 5: Spring Break – no school
- May 9: Kindergarten Round Up 6 p.m.

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