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IVY HAWN UPDATE



Message from the Principal

Dear Ivy Hawn Families,

It is hard to believe we are already in the last month of school. We have done so much this school year and we have seen so much growth in our students this school year. We want to thank all of our amazing teachers and staff for all they do to make this one of the best schools in Volusia County. I encourage you to take a moment this week to talk to your students about who they appreciate at Ivy Hawn and have them write a note or card to help us celebrate our amazing teachers and staff members for Teacher Appreciation Week.

I also want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of our parents and families who have contributed in big, small, and unimaginable ways. This is our third year having the PAC and we are grateful for all of their contributions to our school.

Lastly, this summer, we hope you continue to read to and with your students, challenge them to think creatively and share in quality time as a family.

Sincerely,
Danielle Suhr
Principal



UPCOMING DATES

5/8: K/1 Showcase (see below)

5/9: Guitar Recital 6 pm

5/10: Dance Team Finale 6 pm

5/11: 8th grade Dance 7-9 pm

5/14: TSquad Unplugged 6 pm

5/15: Orchestra 6 pm

5/20: Addams Family Musical 6 pm

5/22: Elementary Art Show 6 pm

5/23: Band 6 pm

5/27: No School

5/28: 8th grade Promotion 6 pm
(Journey Church in Orange City)

5/29: Kindergarten Graduation 9 am

5/29: NO EARLY RELEASE

5/30: 5th Grade Promotion (See
messages sent from 5th grade)

5/31: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL and Early
Release (no aftercare)

HUSKIES OF THE MONTH

Ivy Hawn Husky of the Month is chosen based on qualities such as scholarship, character, leadership, and citizenship. Huskies of the Month are students that go above and beyond and positively represent our campus/community.

We are pleased to announce the following students as Huskies of the Month at Ivy Hawn Charter School of the Arts.



Mia Vayko Cecilia Toledo Sophie Leos Armani Ramos Saylor Smelt Blake Dalton Luc Rosso Caleb Wahl Madeline Hahn



IVY HAWN WAY

I will do my best everyday.
I will treat others with kindness and respect.
I will take responsibility for my words, choices, and actions.

MESSAGE FROM THE PBIS COMMITTEE

We are looking for a few business partners to join us in honoring our students and positive behavior. The PBIS committee uses funding to provide rewards for students and bring in speakers, and fun activities for our school.

If you are interested or know someone interested in becoming a business partner with Ivy Hawn, please have them reach out to Mrs. Vayko and/or Mrs. Suhr.

Classroom Updates

KINDERGARTEN

ELA: We are in the middle of Unit 9 where we've been reading and comparing selections about needs and wants to understand why we make choices. We are learning how people work to earn and save money to pay for things they need and want and also, how people make choices about what to buy to meet their needs and wants.

Phonics/Phonological Awareness: Students have been learning about the long vowel sounds and the magic that the letter /e/ brings at the end of a word. We are continuing to modify words by adding, deleting, and substituting sounds within words. Please be sure to keep practicing sight words at home. Our Ice Cream Sight Word Party is 5/30!

Social Studies: We have learned about various jobs that people have as well as specific tools needed for each job. This has been tied into community helpers. We will soon learn about currency and how money is exchanged for goods and/or services which also coincides with our topic of Needs vs. Wants.

Writing: Students are working hard on expository and opinion writing. We are in the middle of our ABC Countdown to summer and have been writing about our daily topics!

Math: We are wrapping up our last and final chapter where we've been working with measurement, volume, and weight. From here, we will begin reviewing missing addends, addition, subtraction, and for enrichment, we will soon learn about time and money!

Science: Students have been learning about Living Things where they have been observing both plants and animals. For each of these categories, they have been describing how they are alike and how they are different in the way they look and the things they do.

1ST GRADE

ELA-We will review phonics skills with various games and activities. We will review comprehension skills via author studies.

Grammar: This month students will be reviewing adjectives, adverbs, verbs, and nouns.

Writing: This month students will be doing journal writing.

Math-We finished up our last unit in math. For May, we will review the following math skills: addition and subtraction word problems with start and change unknown, balancing equations, graphs and data, time, money, and 2D and 3D shapes.

Science-We will continue to learn about parents & offspring. Students are recognizing how plants & animals closely resemble their parents with a few exceptions. We are observing and recording the life cycle of a butterfly. We have been watching the caterpillars transform right before our eyes. They are currently in the chrysalis stage. We can hardly wait to see our beautiful butterflies & set them free.

Social Studies-Students are learning about beginning economics. They are learning that people need to make choices because of scarce resources.

2ND GRADE

Second grade is finishing off the year with a lot of great learning activities and projects! In ELA, students will be doing a variety of book studies and animal comprehension research packets that go along with our unit in science. The students are still learning and researching different habitats and animal adaptations in science. They are working on different projects to display all their knowledge and will present these projects during this month. In writing, students get to start a very exciting cursive writing unit. This is designed to allow students to practice and build their writing stamina and letter formations. In social studies, students get the opportunity to dive deeper into money and markets. We will have various projects for students to create business plans and marketing ideas for their product to their peers. This aligns with our math lessons since students will have to work with setting budgets, prices for products, and supply and demand. We have a variety of theme days mixed in to continue the learning while having fun and making memories!

3RD GRADE

ELA: In Reading we will be reviewing all content for the year. We will be playing review games, scavenger hunts, and task cards. We will also be learning cursive. Set aside some time to practice writing in cursive, focusing on letter formation and fluidity

Social Studies: We'll be diving into the cultures, histories, and landscapes of these vibrant regions in Canada, Mexico and Caribbean.

Math: In Math we will be reviewing third grade math skills and setting a good foundation for 4th grade math concepts. Keep practicing your multiplication facts over the summer as fact fluency is very important to success in 4th grade math.

Science: In Science we will be finishing up our studies on animal classification. We will learn about how plants and animals adapt to the changing seasons.

End of year celebration: We will be ending our curriculum in the Caribbean. We will be having a tropical celebration with good food, flower leis and beachballs.

4TH GRADE

Thank you, 4th grade parents, for your support this past month during Ivy Hawn's Spring Fling! The parent and student volunteers and the donations you made allowed us to make that event a success. We couldn't have pulled it off without you! We look forward to pulling together another amazing event this month... 4th Grade Field Day on Wednesday, May 22nd! We'll need plenty of volunteers to help us make amazing memories with our soon-to-be 5th graders. Check Remind for a sign-up genius link from your fourth-grade teacher if you're interested in volunteering that day. As we wrap up the school year, your 4th grade students are working on analyzing the data on line plots and stem-and-leaf plot in Math, as well as using data to create their own. In Science, we're studying living things and their environment including their routines, adaptations, and the food chain. In ELA, we're focusing on explaining how text features contribute to the meaning and identify the text structures of non-fiction texts, and we're continuing to work on summarizing the text and using figurative language. In Writing, the students are using two source texts to gather information to use in their own writing. Our 4th graders are continuing their American History Unit in Social Studies focusing in on the Growth of Florida, the Great Depression, the Roaring 20s, and World War II in Florida.

5TH GRADE

In **ELA**, we will be continuing to prepare for the F.A.S.T. Reading test by focusing on reading strategies with daily task cards, reviewing and analyzing text features, annotating texts for meaning using Benchmark curriculum, and taking timed practice tests. We are also finishing up class novels and a Poetry Project!

In **Social Studies**, we are finishing up Westward Expansion and learning all about the Life of the 49ers and the California Gold Rush!

In **Math**, the students have been preparing for the F.A.S.T. by taking practice tests and reviewing all the important skills we have learned all year. We are also focusing on coordinate grids, 2D & 3D shaped, analyzing patterns,

Let's not forget the review games we are playing to prepare for the SSA **Science** test!

We are SO proud of our Hawners and their focus and perseverance during testing season, and we know they are going to ROCK the tests!

Reminders:

May 24th: Sea World Field Trip

May 30th: 5th Grade Promotion

·9:15-10:00 Perrick/Simmons

·10:15-11:00 Bartlett/Weaver

·11:15-12:00 Kimmel/Infante

We look forward to a Monumental May with our fabulous fifth graders! Please read your Remind daily for important updates from your teachers, as the end of the year is full of important information and activities!

Love, the Fifth Grade Team

ELEMENTARY SPECIAL AREA

Elem Drama:

K/1 showcase is right around the corner on May 8th! Come watch our colorful kiddos sing, dance and act!

2nd/3rd and 4th/5th are finishing up a big original scenes project w/ich involved writing, directing and performing. Next we'll finish the year with the more technical side of theater: stage makeup and tech jobs!

TSquad has its last performance, TSquad: Unplugged on Tuesday, May 14th! Admission is free to see these incredible student-written, student-acted, student-directed scenes!

Elementary Agriculture:

Our 4th and 5th grade students have done a wonderful job celebrating Earth Day with their posters representing ways that they can help. Just a reminder that if your student has livestock that they are interested in showing at the Volusia County Fair, and they would like to show under Ivy Hawn FFA, please plan to attend an informational meeting on Monday, May 6th at 6:45pm in Ms. Potter's room (B209).

ELEMENTARY SPECIAL AREA CONT.

Elem Computers:

All grades are continuing with their typing skills on Keyboarding Without Tears. Many have made significant progress this year and many have achieved the milestone markers on their roadmap. 2nd and 3rd grade are doing technology modules within BrainPop.com, and 4th and 5th grade are learning the tools within Microsoft Word.

Elem Music:

4th and 5th Graders are finishing up our World Music Unit. So far, we have "traveled" to Australia, Africa, Ireland, Scotland, Japan, and Mexico! We will then start reviewing composers and wrap up the year with review.

2nd and 3rd Graders just finished their Composer Unit on Mozart and Beethoven and will be starting their World Music Unit.

Kindergarten and 1st Grade has been working hard on their showcase which happens in May. They are now rehearsing on the stage. After their show, they will continue learning new spring and summer songs, do music centers, and play classroom instruments.

Treblemakers had an amazing End of Club Showcase! Miss Holvey is so proud! Until next school year, Treblemakers!

Elem Art:

Elementary Art Show is Wednesday, May 22nd from 6-7. Flyers with frames orders will be sent home soon. Students selected their favorite pieces that they would like to be in a frame at the art show. If you pre-order a frame, they are only \$15. Limited frames will be for sale the day of the show for \$20. PAC will be having Kona Ice at the show and also we will have some black light key chains for sale for only \$3. Students can use these at home to show off how their clay sculptures and some other artwork glows under the black light.

Students are working on artwork for the Art Show Glow Room, and collaborating to make things for the art show as well.

Elem Dance:

Elementary Dance

2nd - 5th grade are finishing up their Tap technique.

K-1st grade are ready to go for their Colormania performance of May 8th.

All elementary dance classes for the rest of the year will be working on creative movement and student choreography.

Junior Dance Team

Junior and Senior Finale Performance May 10th at 6:00pm. Come out and support are dancers for their final performance of the year. Tickets are \$5.

Junior Dance Team Auditions are May 15th

Please see Mrs. McCarthy for an audition packet.

Elem PE:

PE this year has been a BLAST! From flag football to basketball and soccer to volleyball and more, our Huskies have worked hard, played hard, and had FUN. To reward students for their success, each class will have a class vote to decide what sport or game to play that day to review our activities from the entire school year! What's your vote?

7TH GRADE

Civics: The Civics Boot Camp is coming up on May 5th! Thank you to Mrs. Cobb and Mrs. Onyski for sharing their Saturday morning with us to help make it so wonderful and special!

Our EOC Test is on 5/7 and students are working hard preparing for the exam. Parents, thank you for helping to prepare them at home, we're a great TEAM! Results for this exam are typically released mid-summer.

For the remainder of the year, students will be engaged in project-based learning on Political Parties and the Constitution. The last week will be all fun and games!

ELA: Our ELA classroom is in full test prep mode as students prepare to take the FAST ELA Assessment on Thursday, May 9th. We are reviewing our ELA standards in class. Following the assessment, students will channel their creativity into crafting their own sonnets, using their writing skills and following the rules of the Shakespearean Sonnet. Then, we'll transition into our final text, the captivating Twilight Zone screenplay of "The Monsters Are Due on Maple Street." From dissecting themes of fear and paranoia to analyzing character motivations, our students will sharpen their critical thinking skills and deepen their understanding of literary devices.

Math: This month we are finishing up our last chapter and preparing students for skills they will need to carry them forward to next year.

Science: We are currently on Ecology and learning all about food webs. Students are learning how to work their way up a food chain from a producer to an apex predator. We are also working on an Endangered Animal Project is due May 10th. The District EOC for Science will be May 28th and 29th.

8TH GRADE

Rosso-Our state test is finally upon us. We've worked very hard reviewing 6th and 7th grade standards in preparation. I am proud of students' efforts and know they will do their best on the FSSA on May 7th. After testing we will have a research project and other activities to finish the year and prepare for high school. Please be sure to turn in promotion ceremony permission slips to me by May 17th. As the end of the school year approaches, my heart begins to feel bittersweet. I'm so proud of all the progress students have made this year, both in the science classroom and outside of it. I wish all of my students a very successful transition to high school. Please come back and visit, you will be missed.

Troy- 🍷🇺🇸 **From Mrs. Troy's 8th Grade ELA Desk!** 🎉🌟 Dear Ivy Hawn Families, As we look ahead to the end of the school year, I'm excited to share our anticipation for the incredible performances we have planned in 8th grade ELA. From the captivating renditions of "Romeo and Juliet," where students will bring the timeless characters to life with passion and creativity, to the upcoming moments of growth and learning, it promises to be a truly remarkable experience. While we eagerly anticipate these performances, there's also a sense of bittersweet reflection as we prepare to say goodbye to the memorable classroom discussions, essay writing challenges, and unit tests that have shaped us. It will be an absolute honor to guide such remarkable students at Ivy Hawn, and I am filled with gratitude for the privilege of leading them on their educational journey. Let's cherish these final moments together, celebrating our achievements and looking forward to the bright futures that await each and every one of our students. Thank you for entrusting your children to us—it's been a privilege to be a part of their lives. Wishing you all a wonderful end to the school year and a fantastic summer ahead! Warm regards, Mrs. Troy

8TH GRADE CONT.

Fiorica- Scare games review week was a huge hit!! Congratulations to all of Mrs. Fiorica's students who participated! Our FAST PM3 will be given on May 13th. Please make sure students are on time and have a good breakfast as this is a Monday morning! Thank you for all you do!!

Cobb- It's EOC crunch time! Both Algebra and Geometry are striving to review every standard learned this school year to prepare for their final math exam. On May 9th -10th, Mrs. Cobb's classes will conclude the review with a "Practice Test and Pancakes Day!" If you'd like to assist Mrs. Cobb by providing necessary items, you can find her Amazon Wish List via the QR code.

8TH GRADE PROMOTION

Be on the lookout for more information coming home soon!

MAY28, 2024
JOURNEY CHURCH IN ORANGE CITY
6:00 PM



MIDDLE SCHOOL ELECTIVES

From Mrs. Kushner:

Come see the Dance Team Finale Showcase Friday, May 10th at 6:00pm. Tickets are on sale now and will be sold at the door for \$5.00. This show will feature our Junior and Senior Dance Teams as well as some alumni!

Attention dancers- the Senior Illumination Dance Team audition will be Wednesday, May 15th from 2:15-4:30pm in Mrs. Kushners room. Please see Mrs. Kushner for an audition packet.

Art (Silvers)...

2D1 Studio Art: Students are working on abstract group projects with watercolor.

2D2 Studio Art: Students are working on the 8th grade promotion art project. After graduation, this art piece will be on permanent display in our school.

3D1 Studio Art: Students are currently working on creating more gigantic paper mache food decorations for permanent display in our middle school cafeteria. The new food art will include a pizza, taco, and much more!

*Special shout out to 6th grade art student Lucia Marke-Lares. She took 3rd place in this year's Crime Stopper Poster Contest. Her work was adjudicated amongst all of the other submissions from middle schools throughout Volusia County.

FFA (Potter)...

Middle School Agriculture: Introduction classes are working on some final projects including FFA Competition posters and Class Explanation brochures that will be used for Agriculture Open House for the 24/25 school year. Our Fundamentals students just finished their certification tests and are moving into their final projects. Orientation students are finishing their final projects and will be helping to close down the hydroponics systems for the school year.

Thank you to all our FFA families that attended our 4th Annual FFA Banquet and Cake Auction, your support of our FFA Chapter and members is greatly appreciated!

MIDDLE SCHOOL ELECTIVES

Middle School Agriculture:

Our Introduction class has been working since quarter 3 on an Agritourism project. They have had to consider marketing, sales, the financial aspect and overall, what would they like to have people "tour" on their 76 acre farm. We had a guest speaker come in to give them some pointers and their projects are absolutely outstanding; I'm looking forward to hearing their final proposals.

Our Orientation and Fundamentals classes are working diligently to finish their prep for certification testing. This has to be the hardest time of the year as they are in the middle of so much testing, but these amazing students keeping pushing through, asking questions, encouraging one another, and working together. I'm proud of their efforts and know that their hard work WILL pay off!

Our 4th Annual FFA Banquet and Cake Auction are coming up on April 26th at 6:00pm for our active members. Invitations have been sent home, please check with your students. Also, please remember to RSVP by April 19th to potters@ivyhawnschool.org.

From Mr. Silvers:

2D1 and 2D2 Studio Art

Students are working on collaborative art projects that will be included in our art show.

3D1 Studio Art

Students are finishing up with their paper clay beaded necklaces. Next week they will begin working on creating more paper mache Macro Food Art to decorate our middle school cafeteria.

Upcoming Middle School Art Show

We are in the process of mounting and labeling artwork in our art show on April 18th (6-7pm). Selected 6th-8th grade works from art, photography, film/animation, and puppetry/fashion will be on display. Please, come and support our amazing and talented young artists!

From Mrs. Colon:

In Film class, students are in pre-production for their paper animation project. Students are going to animate a paper puppet that they have created using a multiplane camera.

Film projects will be highlighted at the Art Show on April 18th from 6:00 - 7:00 pm.

MESSAGE FROM CLINIC

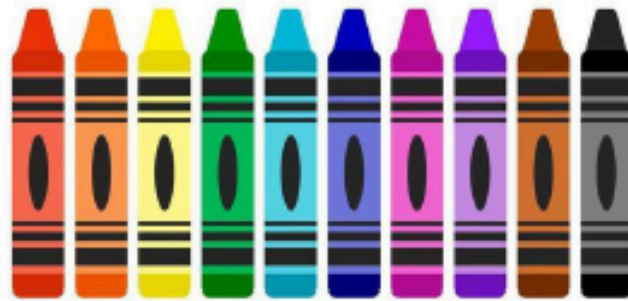
https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/25YZHNEHDTAQ6/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_4

Here is the link for the Amazon Wishlist. We need underwear and socks currently. The clinic has its own corner on the website, check in every now and then for new info! More to come on the Clinic Corner! With this colder weather and holidays coming up bacteria will spread more rapidly. Please keep your children home if they are sick!



Kindergarten and 1st Grade Presents...

COLORMANIA!



A Music, Drama, and Dance Showcase!

Date: Wednesday, May 8

Show 1 – 6pm (call time 5:45pm)

Kilbourn Page

Dalton Norton

Show 2 – 7pm (call time 6:45pm)

Lopez Dudas

Deliman Conroy



T-SQUAD
PRESENTS

T-SQUAD UNPLUGGED

don't miss it *May*
14, 2024

May 14th/6:30pm in the Carole Anne Kelley Theatre FREE ADMISSION

BUS STOP TROUBLE

BESTIES

BRATS & CHEFS

MERMAID'S ISLAND

THE DUMB,

THE WARRIOR, THE

NERD: Part 2

IMPROV

BAD DAY FOR BOOKS

THE BULLY & THE NERD

MRS. GRUMPY'S

ATTEMPTED FEEDBACK