

Notes from the Principal's Desk

Welcome to a very busy December. I hope all our Highview families had a relaxing and enjoyable time spending Thanksgiving with family and friends. The teachers and students will be busy finishing the second quarter of the school year this month, along with all the seasonal activities that December brings. On behalf of the staff and myself, we wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season!

Ms. Stokes



The following first graders earned their Book-It Award for October. They met their goal of reading 20 books during the month. Way to go!! Keep reading every day!

Kylee Crouch	Hailey Banks
Braeden Wills	Damien Billy
Jordan Linebaugh	Maura Chambers
Justin Brown	Ean Compton
Joe Moore	Lilah Current
Destiny Huff	Julianna Fisher
Austin Holsinger	Kaylynn Goehring
Bianca Lewis	Joey Isom
Alicia Roberts	Allison Jamison
Vanessa Rivera	Autumn Jones
Brayden Williams	Madyson McGuire
Madison La Mance	Mariah Patterson
Katelyn Horton	Nathan Thomas
Brycen Boyle	Hailee Wagner
Jade Bennett	Tiewan Lattimore

Don't Miss from Mrs. Deaton!!



As the school year continues, I wanted to remind everyone of our district attendance policy. Each student is allowed seven parent notes excusing him/her from school. After the seventh absence note from home, a doctor's excuse will be required to excuse the absence.

The lost and found in our office has quite an assortment of jackets, sweatshirts, and lunch boxes. If your student has lost something, please remind them to come to the office and check the lost and found. Parents are welcome to come in and check it as well. Due to the size of the lost and found and the amount of items accumulated, the lost and found is cleaned out periodically.

A Note from the Music Room

Mark your calendar! Highview's wonderful third graders are presenting a Winter Holiday Concert December 15, 2009, at 7:00 PM. Highview families should have already received details. We are looking forward to performing for you!!





Kind-hearted Kindergarteners



In December, our Kindergartners will be working on a "Let's Count" theme for Language Arts. We will continue work on our Math Investigations curriculum, which includes patterning. Students also need to be practicing counting, sorting, and making numbers to 20. We will also make several holiday projects and learn winter and holiday songs.

Fabulous First Graders

The first graders took home a special family project this month. Together with their family, they decorated turkeys that were hung in the hallway. We appreciate the hard work of the students and their families!

In Math we have started subtraction. We are working hard on learning to explain our work. Thanks to the parents who are working hard at home with their students on homework.



*Childhood is a
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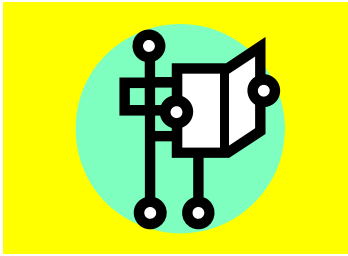
Second Grade Superstars

In reading we are working on the Around Town unit and we've read the stories "A Trip to the Firehouse" and "The Big Bushy Mustache", both stories about things that happen in our neighborhoods. We talked about the setting and characters in "A Trip to the Firehouse" as well as developing questions that we could ask the fire fighters if we visited the fire station. We have also read "The Big Bushy Mustache" about a little boy with a problem. Make sure that you

ask your child what the problem was and if there was a solution.

In math we continue to work with story problems and we practice writing the equation and showing our work. Next we move to working with even and odd numbers.

Mrs. Russell, Mr. LeMay & Mrs. Sears



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Terrific Third Graders

We hope you all had a nice and enjoyable Thanksgiving with your family. Christmas break will be here before we know it. The next few weeks will be busy and fun-filled.

December 15 at 7:00 PM the Third Graders will present Highview's Winter Holiday Program. We hope to see you all there!

Christmas break is December 24th-

January 5th. Students return on January 6th, which will also begin the third quarter. We'll be halfway through the year already!

In our Math Investigations we've been learning strategies for adding and subtracting to the thousands. We're reading stories about traditions around the world.

Happy Holidays to you and yours!

Fantastic Fourth Graders

The fourth graders are working very hard in all subject areas this month! One of their favorite subjects is science because they enjoy doing experiments. Our new unit on physical science will keep the kids engaged in learning through all of our investigations on physical and chemical changes! In social studies, we are continuing our study of Ohio history. We are learning about the Frontier Wars, the Battle of Fallen Timbers, and how Ohio became a state.

Our next unit in math will focus on geometry and measurement. The unit will focus on measuring with standard units, describing and classifying 2-dimensional figures and finding and understanding area. Keep up the good work fourth graders!



Fun Fifth Graders



The fifth graders have a very busy December ahead, filled with learning! In Math, we are learning strategies for working with large numbers. We began by finding landmarks on the 10,000 chart. In Reading, we will be finishing our novel study of Out of the Dust. Our next unit will focus on non-fiction texts. Before we begin that unit though, we will have some fun seasonal activities and readings.

We wish all our families Happy Holidays!

News from Your PTO

The PTO meeting for December will be held on the 7th from 4-5 at Highview. . All are welcome to attend. The skating party is also on the 7th at Skateway at 6 PM. Thanks to all our families that participated in our fall fundraiser. The money raised is used to provide materials to all our students. Please don't forget to continue cutting and sending in your Box Tops, Campbells, and Tyson A+ labels. Thanks for your support!

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