



Frank S. Hartsfield Elementary School – 55th Year
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HAWK TALK

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NEWS FROM MS. FRANKLIN

School Day

Our school day is 8:30 AM until 2:50 PM. Supervision is provided from 7:45 AM until 3:30 PM. Please do not drop your children off before 7:45 AM and be sure they are picked up by 3:20 PM. Parents need to remain in your vehicle when dropping off and picking up your children. Staying in your car will keep the traffic moving, allowing other parents to get to their destination on time. If you need to go to the office or the classroom, please park your vehicle in a designated parking space.

Test Administration

Standard testing is fast approaching. Please do not plan any trips or appointments during these times:

- February 28th - FCAT Writing (4th grade)
- April 16th – 19th FCAT Reading and Math (3rd, 4th and 5th grades)
- April 24th – 25th FCAT Science (5th grade)
- April 23rd - 27th NRT (Iowa Test of Basic Skills) Reading, Language and Math (K-2)

Testing Proctors Needed

Proctors are very important to the testing process, providing an extra set of hands and eyes to increase test security and minimize the stress level of the students. One proctor is needed per class. Proctors will not be placed in their child's class or in a class on their child's grade level. Proctors help to ensure the smooth administration of standardized testing. If you are available to help on any of these dates, please contact Mrs. Parsons at (850) 488-7322 ext. 105 or email: parsonsk@leonschools.net.

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MUSICAL NOTES

The FSU Opera Outreach was at Hartsfield Elementary on February 3 to perform Seymour Barab's children opera, Little Red Riding Hood. Our fourth and fifth grade students enjoyed this re-telling of the fairytale classic.

The Tallahassee Symphony is sponsoring a performance by the violinist, Rachel Barton Pine for our students on Friday, March 16. She is a great entertainer and loves to play both classical and rock on her violin.

Hartsfield EDEP Summer Camp!

Summer Camp will be from June 4th-August 3rd. Registration will take place after we come back from Spring Break. The camp will run Monday-Friday, 7am-6pm. Out of town field trips are planned, as well as

PTO VALENTINE DANCE & MOVIE NIGHT!

Our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students are invited to attend the Dance on Friday, February 10 from 6-8 PM in the Cafeteria. Our K, 1st and 2nd grade students can watch a movie also on Friday, February 10 from 6-8 PM in the Media Center. The cost is \$3 per student/sibling for both events. Parents and guardians are FREE but not required to attend. The Dance/Movie Night is for Hartsfield students/siblings (elementary school-age siblings only)! Light refreshments will be available for purchase.

COMMUNITY IN SCHOOLS

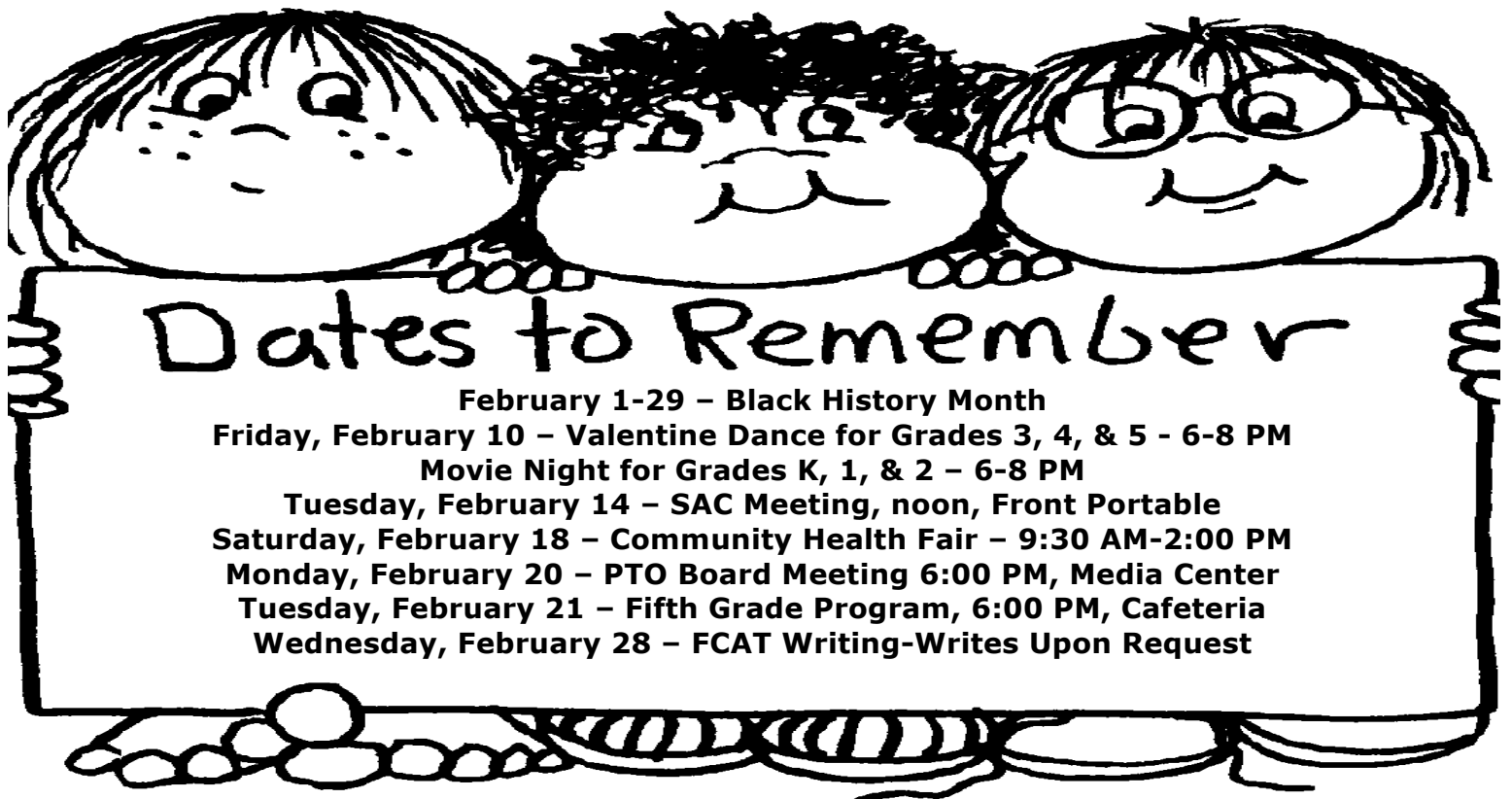
The "Community of Wellness" Health Fair will be Saturday, February 18 from 9:30AM - 2:00PM. Everyone is welcome to join us for great information on all aspects of physical, nutritional, mental, financial, and legal health! Be sure to come for free physical health screenings available to ALL ages. Other events include safety and CPR demonstrations as well as yoga and aerobics exhibits. Mark your calendars to be a part of our community of wellness!

The "Warm Souls Winter Clothing Drive" has ended! During 2 months of collecting, we received 534 items of clothing! Over 200 of those clothes will be used at Hartsfield! The rest will be donated to ECHO Outreach Ministries for adults experiencing homelessness. From Communities In Schools of Leon County and ECHO Outreach Ministries, a BIG thank you to everyone who participated!

Literacy Week At Hartsfield!

Wow! What a fun and exciting week we had at Hartsfield Elementary School during the Celebrate Literacy Week. Students kicked off the week by participating in the Million Minute Marathon and several other fun activities. We joined other schools across the state of Florida as we read the book *How Much Is A Million* to reach the goal of 20 million minutes of reading in one day! Students also enjoyed estimating the number of books in the media center. Teachers took their classes to the media center to discuss various ways to estimate the number of books in our school's media center.

Students were treated to a "Guess that Book" contest on the morning announcements, where part of a well known children's book was read; each class worked together to guess the name of the book. One of the more popular activities, was "Guess that Reader." Each morning we described one of our office staff and their choice of reading material. Once again, the class discussed which office member we were describing. Our exciting week was capped off with buddy reading. Our intermediate students partner read with our students in the primary grades. What a fun and exciting week we had!



Dates to Remember

February 1-29 – Black History Month

Friday, February 10 – Valentine Dance for Grades 3, 4, & 5 - 6-8 PM

Movie Night for Grades K, 1, & 2 – 6-8 PM

Tuesday, February 14 – SAC Meeting, noon, Front Portable

Saturday, February 18 – Community Health Fair – 9:30 AM-2:00 PM

Monday, February 20 – PTO Board Meeting 6:00 PM, Media Center

Tuesday, February 21 – Fifth Grade Program, 6:00 PM, Cafeteria

Wednesday, February 28 – FCAT Writing-Writes Upon Request

HARTSFIELD'S POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORT (PBS) SUPER HAWKS!

"Accept Responsibility" was the trait for the week of January 23. The following students demonstrated this trait: Kindergarten: Georgia Middlebrooks, Alvin Enyi. First grade: Samariya Foster, Jared Haynes, G'Soni Leverette. Second grade: Curtis Rollins. Third grade: Nadia Collins, Briana Glenn. Fourth grade: Tykecia Swain, Arice Jones, Logan Harding, Ashanti Alford, Jamerick Morrell. Fifth grade: Kayshala Grayson. **"Will Participate in Learning"** was the trait for the week of January 30. The following students demonstrated this trait: Kindergarten: Jeremiah Ford, Zidane Pham, Brandon Grimmett, Morris Walker. First grade: Maurice Treadwell, ZahKuan Jackson, Second grade: Jayda Ford, Angel Kirkland, Serenity Gavin, Austin Grimme. Third grade: Makayla Altieri, Diamond Perry, Ma'Kaya Jones. Fourth grade: Jamyrra Thompson, Raven Williams, Alex Teller, Jacob Jackson, Ashanti Alford. Fifth grade: Deldrick Graham, Mamie Odom, Maya Ajanaku, Michael Jackson.

THINKING THURSDAY MATH WINNERS!

Each week students are given a word math problem to solve (grade appropriate), and the winners from each classrooms receives a book from the Media Center. The winners for the week of January 27 are: Kindergarten – Diana Hale, Treniya Sampson. First grade: Ben Wilkerson, Andrew Sirmans. Second grade: Jordan Jackson, Rico Thompson, Rashad Hill, Ashton Miles. Third grade: Jonashia Brown, Faith Battles, Leeondre Carion, Shadnise Lee. Fourth grade: Jorell Glass, Tykecia Swain. Fifth grade: Matthew Swanson, Christian Burch. VE: Dontavious Ford, Serenity Nicholson, Reshaviour Moore. The winners for the week of February 2 are: Kindergarten: Ashley Glenn, Niitera Horne. First grade: Nicholas Dorsey, Ravi, Dakari Davis. Second grade: Izaiha Toole-Ward, Oliver Holden Schrock, Jealdearia Harris. Third grade: Terryonia Brown, Aundrea Bryant, Ta'Mai Childress. Fourth grade: Jamerick Morrell, Logan Harding, Jordan Griffin, Nakyra Brooks. Fifth grade: Tatyana White, Laniyah Lee, Kyra Morris, Sanaaia Davis. VE: Ladarion Dudley, Keith Purvis, Vanessa Hayes.

MEDIA CENTER NEWS!

Local library consultant Carole Fiore has a lot of experience serving on committees that choose award-winning children's books. However, when she accepted the position of committee chair for the national Theodor Seuss Geisel Award for the best beginning reader book, Ms. Fiore decided to turn to the experts for help. That would be Nancy Oakley's 2nd grade class at Hartsfield Elementary.

Beginning in September, Ms. Fiore visited Ms. Oakley's class on Fridays, bringing armloads of books that were being considered for best beginning reader book published in 2011. The prestigious prize is awarded by the American Library Association, who appoints a group of seven library professionals from across the country to be on the deciding committee. But Ms. Fiore knew she also wanted to hear directly from the "customers"- those children who are beginning readers themselves.

Ms. Oakley's 2nd graders had some strong opinions and felt proud that their opinions mattered. "I liked that we got to share what we thought about the books," said Quianna Edwards. "What I really liked about it is that she let us vote for our favorite book," said Oliver Holden-Schrock.

The award-winning book (Tales for Very Picky Eaters by Josh Schneider) was announced at the national American Library Association meeting held in January. Afterwards, Ms. Fiore came to Hartsfield for one last celebratory visit. She brought over 40 books to donate to the Media Center and as a special treat, allowed each of the 2nd graders to choose a book to take home and keep from the books they had reviewed.

COME SEE WHAT

HARTSFIELD ELEMENTARY IS ALL ABOUT!

Are you interested in learning more about Hartsfield Elementary School? Do you have a school age child who would benefit from a nurturing and academically focused learning environment? Then come join us for a guided tour of our school, where you will meet some of our dynamic staff and see our students and teachers in action.

School tours will be given every Wednesday at 9:00 AM and again at 1:00 PM during the school year, except during the two weeks of FCAT testing in April, on holidays or on Teacher Planning Days and Early Release Days. No appointment is necessary, but we do need you to be on time; adults only for the tours.

PTO NOMINATIONS

The Hartsfield PTO is currently accepting nominations for positions on the Executive Board for the 2012-2013 school year. Available offices are: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Volunteer Coordinator, Assistant Volunteer Coordinator, and two Members at Large. Nominations will be accepted until Friday, March 30. Nomination forms are available in the Front Office. See the link for the Hartsfield's PTO Bylaws at