



HIGH SPRINGS COMMUNITY SCHOOL



Hawk Happenings – March/April 2017

Principal: Lynn McNeill ♦ Assistant Principals: Emery Bishop & Heather Harbour

Important Dates

- Th. Mar 2 Elementary Spring Book Fair begins
- M. Mar 6 Soccer: Mebane @ HSCS 4 pm
- M. Mar 6 PTSA General Meeting 2:15 pm
- T. Mar 7 FSA Writing – Grade 8
- W. Mar 8 FCA Meeting 1 pm
- Th. Mar 9 Chess Club 1:45 pm
- F. Mar 10 Spring Fling Grades 3-5
- Mar 13-17 Spirit Week!
- M. Mar 13 Soccer: HSCS @ Lincoln 4 pm
- W. Mar 15 Jr. Beta Club Meeting 12:45 pm
- W. Mar 15 Soccer: HSCS @ Oak View 4 pm
- Th. Mar 16 Ag & FFA to Swallowtail Farm
- Th. Mar 16 District Middle School Track Meet
- Th. Mar 16 Chess Club 1:45 pm
- Th. Mar 16 PTSA Mother-Son Movie Night
- Mar 20-24 SPRING BREAK
- Mar 28-29 Grade 3 ELA FSA Assessment
- W. Mar 29 End of 3rd Nine Weeks
- W. Mar 29 Green Club meeting 12:45 pm
- W. Mar 29 Soccer: Kanapaha @ HSCS 4 pm
- F. Mar 31 STORM MAKE UP DAY
- F. Mar 31 Reward Day # 3
- M. Apr 3 Soccer: HSCS @ Hawthorne 4 pm
- M. Apr 3 PTSA Meeting 6 pm
- W. Apr 5 8th Grade Tie Dye Day
- W. Apr 5 Soccer: Ft. Clarke @ HSCS 4 pm
- F. Apr 7 Report cards go home
- Apr. 10-11 Grade 6 Math FSA Assessment
- M. Apr 10 Soccer: HSCS @ Westwood
- T. Apr 11 SAC Meeting 2:30 pm
- Apr 12-13 Grade 4 ELA FSA Assessment
- W. Apr 12 FCA Meeting 1 pm
- W. Apr 12 Soccer: HSCS @ Mebane 4 pm
- Apr 13-14 Grade 3 Math FSA Assessment
- Apr 13-14 2nd Grade to UF Fisheries
- Apr 17-18 Grade 5 ELA FSA Assessment
- M. Apr 17 Soccer: Bishop @ HSCS 4 pm
- Apr 19-20 Grade 6 ELA FSA Assessment
- W. Apr 19 Jr. Beta Club Meeting 12:45 pm
- W. Apr 19 Soccer: Oak View @ HSCS 4 pm
- Th. Apr 20 Zaxby's Night – PTSA Fundraiser
- Apr 24-25 Grade 5 Math FSA Assessment
- Apr 26-27 Grade 7 Math FSA Assessment
- W. Apr 26 Green Club Meeting 12:45 pm
- May 1-2 Grade 7 ELA FSA Assessment
- T. May 2 Grade 8 FCAT Science Assessment
- May 2-3 Grade 5 FCAT Science Assessment
- May 3-4 Grade 8 ELA FSA Assessment
- F. May 5 Progress reports go home

Soccer Teams

Introducing the 2017 Hawk soccer teams:

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| • Ryan Boone | • Savannah Barnes |
| • Dale Cruse | • Abby Boone |
| • Jackson Davis | • Devyn Boyett |
| • Garrett George | • Abigail Christopher |
| • Isaiah Godden-Young | • Callie Delaney |
| • Daniel Grant | • Hailley Diaz |
| • Carson Hoskins | • Fallon Flynn |
| • Christian Hoskins | • Aubrey Fralick |
| • Clayton Hoskins | • Finley Poyner |
| • Camden Labonte | • Vanessa Garcia |
| • Isaiah Malachi | • Katherine Graetz |
| • Jason Meyerhoff | • Taylor Hartman |
| • Matthew Ortiz | • Shelly Latner |
| • Riley Pedersen | • Andrea McIntosh |
| • Ethan Pettyjohn | • Kire' Nystrom |
| • Jaylon Reed | • Kinsy Ruth |
| • Balin Strickland | • Sitlali Sanchez-Sanchez |
| • John Thomas | • Carley Smith |
| • Treyson Ward | • Ella Steen |
| • Ethan Womack | • Juliet Taylor |
| | • Kiyana Williams |

Hawk Mentoring Program

Are you or someone you know interested in mentoring a student here at HSCS? All it takes is 30 minutes of your time, once a week, to help change the life of a student. If you are interested in more information, please contact Tosha Sweat, Mentor Coordinator, at sweattl@gm.sbac.edu or [386-454-1958 x 2624](tel:386-454-1958).

Elementary Media News

Spring Book Fair!

The spring book fair is in the elementary media center!

When: March 2nd - 8th

Times: 7:15-2:00 (1:50 on 3/3 and 1:00 on 3/8)

Volunteers are needed. If you can volunteer your time to help students find books, write their wish list and purchase books please contact Mrs. Coyle. The purpose of the book fair is to give students, teachers and parents the opportunity to purchase books for their home and classroom library. Earnings from these sales benefit our students through the purchase of additional books and other media materials for the library.

Box Tops for Education – Please continue to send in your box tops for education. We use these to earn money to purchase media materials. Thank you!

8th Grade Tie Dye Day

Tie Dye Day is Wednesday, April 5th. All 8th graders must turn in \$10 to Mrs. Tompkins to cover the cost for the t-shirts by Friday, March 17th.



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Second Grade News

Our final field trip is coming up in April. Second grade is going to UF Fisheries for a day of learning and fishing. Mrs. Babston and Mrs. Allen will be going on Thursday, April 13th. Mrs. Register and Mrs. Williams will take their classes on Friday, April 14th. We like to have lots of chaperones for this field trip as it is very hands on, so make sure your volunteer application is up to date so you can join us on this trip! Permission forms and a letter will be coming home shortly after Spring Break.

In math, second graders should be fluent in counting groups of coins. Please practice counting quarters, dimes, nickels, and pennies with your child. Also, students should be able to show the value in more than one way.

A letter was recently sent home regarding our upcoming Flat Stanley project, as we are in need of supplies. If you have sent some in, we appreciate it immensely. A "Flat Stanley" packet will also be coming home right after Spring Break with instructions on sending your Stanley doll out to a friend or relative. We look forward to seeing them come back from all over the United States and sometimes all over the world!!

Thanks again for your support, and let us know if you have any concerns or questions about your child.

Third Grade News

On Friday, March 10, third grade is hosting the Spring Fling dance for grades 3, 4, and 5. This event will be held in our school cafeteria from 6-8 pm. The cost is \$3. Please see Gloria Jackson or Sherry Sakai for tickets. On April 7th, third grade students will go on a field trip to the Curtis M. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts to see Step Afrika! More information will be sent home. Last but not least, T-shirts will be on sale through April 21st to help 3rd graders go to LegoLand. Order forms are available in the front office or from any third grade teacher.

Spirit Week & Reward Days

Also, **Spirit Week** is scheduled for the week prior to spring break. All students are encouraged to participate! More information will be sent home soon, but the schedule below provides some immediate details:

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| Monday, March 13 | • Tropical Day |
| Tuesday, March 14 | • Retro Day |
| Wednesday, March 15 | • Wacky Wednesday |
| Thursday, March 16 | • Sports Day |
| Friday, March 17 | • St. Patrick's Day |

Our third **Reward Day** is scheduled for Friday, March 31st. For elementary students, this will be a field day with lots of fun games and will take place on the front playground. For middle school students, this will take place near the gym and will consist of outside time, basketball, volleyball and snow cones.

PTSA News

Progress is being made on our Gaga Pit! The concrete slab has been poured and we should have the material delivered within the next few weeks! We are hoping to have the Gaga Pit ready for play right after Spring Break! In other playground news, we have submitted plans for approval for a new piece of equipment for our front playground and hope to have approval in the next week! If all goes as planned, we will announce the new designs and have it all installed by mid-April! Thank you to all of our HSCS families, friends and the community for making this all possible with our Walk-a-thon this past November. We hope to continue the tradition and begin playground improvements/expansions campus wide over the years to come!

Board Member Elections: May 8, 2017 will be our annual Board Members voting meeting at McDonald's Fundraising Night. Currently ALL Board positions are open with the primary focus being on Secretary, Treasurer and Fundraising Chair for our 2017/2018 school year. The Secretary and Treasurer positions must be filled by a new member moving forward into the next school year. If you or someone you know would like to step up to help in these positions, please contact our President, Tosha Sweat, via email or cell: toshbosh21@gmail.com/757-651-6282.

Are you a mentor, a grandparent, a parent or friend of a student here at HSCS? If so, you too can join our PTSA and help support and enrich the lives of our students, staff and teachers! \$5 gains you membership for the 2016/2017 school year. We have so many amazing events and activities planned for our HSCS family and would love to have your help!

Elementary Art News

The Display My Art brochures and free magnets have been sent home for your viewing and ordering pleasure. Please consider ordering a fun keepsake with your child's artwork on it to enjoy for years to come. A portion of the cost goes toward the school's art program so that your child has the materials to make and enjoy art. The new items you can order this year are a pillow case, necklace, and a hand towel! The due date for online orders is April 5. Remember that online orders ship to your home for free!!! If you have any questions, please email Ms. Rucks at rucksm@gm.sbac.edu.

The winners of the Spring Thomas Center awards are: **Ashley Mallard, Aden Veccia** and **Ryan Goss**. Please congratulate them for their excellence in art!

SAC Parent Nominations

Each spring Florida schools hold elections for upcoming vacancies on School Advisory Councils. We are most grateful to our parents who have worked so diligently each school year! We are now requesting nominations for our **TWO** available parent representative positions to serve during the 2017-18 school year so that we can continue the progress we have made. The role of the SAC is to advise the principal on matters of school improvement. Meetings are held 4-5 times per school year. Parent members will be asked to commit to a two-year term. Please complete the spaces below, cut and return this portion of this newsletter to the front office by Friday, April 28.

Parent Nomination: _____