



Hidden Oak News

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Principal's Corner

WELCOME BACK, HIDDEN OAK OWLS!

I hope this message finds everyone well-rested and having enjoyed a long break. It's hard to believe we are already in 2020 and starting the second half of the year.

January is a busy month for sure. Remember that Friday, January 17, is a student holiday/teacher workday, and we don't have school on Monday, January 20, for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. The second semester begins on January 13, and report cards go home on January 23. Keep your eyes open for information related to our FUNd RUN coming soon.

Wishing everyone a wonderful January.

Mr. Kuhn

FUNd RUN

RUN FOR FUN, AND FUNDS!

Get ready for the Hidden Oak FUNd RUN, happening on Fri., February 28! This year's event is being run completely by Hidden Oak parents, which allows us to keep 100% of the money raised!!

Mark your calendars for Wed., Feb 5, the school-wide pep rally and kickoff. That day, your student will bring home details about the event and how supporters can donate.

There will be prizes for top fundraisers, as well as school-level prizes if we reach our goal! We hope to raise \$25,000 this year for school improvements and need your help to make this a great event.

All students can participate, regardless of pledges received. You can also help by volunteering—volunteers are needed! If you're interested, email us at hiddeoakvolunteer@gmail.com.

Magnet/Decal Winner!

SHOW YOUR SCHOOL SPIRIT!

Congrats to Lisa Thomas for being our most recent magnet winner! And thanks to Bambino Sitters for donating \$50 in free babysitting.

There's a contest monthly with great prizes! Check the PTA Facebook page for more info: <https://www.facebook.com/hiddeoak.pta/>.

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Skate Station Night | 1/24

A portion of the proceeds goes to Hidden Oak!

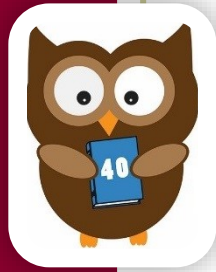


UPCOMING EVENTS

- 01/08 SPIRIT DAY—Wear Hidden Oak Shirts!
- 01/13 Second Semester begins
- 01/17 Teacher Workday - No School -
- 01/20 ML King, Jr. Day - No School -
- 01/22 SAC Meeting Media Center, 1:15 pm
- 01/23 Report cards home
- 01/24 Skate Station
- 01/31 Hat Day Pre-K Breakfast

FEBRUARY SNEAK PEEK!

- 02/05 FUNd RUN Pep Rally & Kick-off
- 02/07 Class & Individual Spring Pictures
- 02/17 President's Day - No School -
- 02/20 Interim Reports Sent Home
- 02/21 Box Tops Collection
- 02/28 ♦ FUNd RUN!!!!
- ♦ Book Challenge Benchmark #3
- ♦ Hat Day



Hidden Oak | Book Challenge

The Hidden Oak Book Challenge encourages every student, from kindergarten to 5th grade, to read 40 books by the end of the school year. Students in 3rd through 5th grades are also challenged to read books in seven different genres over the year. Our genre for the month of February will be biography/autobiography. In addition, 3rd- through 5th-grade students who read a 200-page book can count that as two books, and a 300-page book as three books!

The third benchmark for our Book Challenge is quickly approaching. The goal is to read 30 books or more by **Friday, February 28.**

Check out the Book-O-Meter in the front hallway of our school; it keeps a track of the total number of books that all students have read so far, which is now a whopping 9,020 books! Also, make sure your student is filling out their classroom reading log, which keeps track of how many books they have read. And remember . . .

The more you read, the better you read, so keep on reading!

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School Hours

7:45 a.m. - 1:52 p.m.
Early release on
Wednesday at 12:37 p.m.

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[https://smile.amazon.com/
ch/59-2905490](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-2905490)

Spanish Club!

REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Online registration for Spanish clubs through Fun Languages is now open. Second semester clubs will begin on January 27 and continue through May 15.

If you would like to enhance your child's ability to speak a foreign language like a native using a fun, interactive curriculum, please either learn more at www.funlanguages.org, pick up a registration form at the front desk, or call Kaydie Vistelle at 352-372-6885.

Foreign-language acquisition has never been so easy and enjoyable!

Coaches' Corner

FITNESS CHALLENGE

Our fitness focus for the next couple of months will be pull-ups and push-ups. Let's all work on our next fitness goal to get that chin above the bar. Each family member will do a total of at least 50 push-ups each week. Be sure to ask your child the proper way to do a push-up.

Bonus fitness challenge of the month: Take 30 minutes with your family each week to turn on a little music and dance your way into the spring!

Coach Lafler & Coach Kear



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