

The Hartley Hawks Headlines

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From the Principal's Desk

The HES Community wishes Maintenance Manager Bill Vaughn a Happy Retirement!

Bill Vaughn, who has served as Hartley's Maintenance Manager for the past 13 years, has announced that he will be retiring at the beginning of January, 2019. Mr. Vaughn is well-loved by all who know him as a friendly, hardworking professional who has always placed children, teachers and the safety and cleanliness of the school as his top priorities. We are grateful for the countless contributions Bill has made to the life of Hartley Elementary School and all of us wish him a very happy and healthy retirement.

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Tyson Shank as Hartley's new Maintenance Manager. Mr. Shank comes to us from Palm Valley Academy and Ocean Palms Elementary Schools, where he served as maintenance manager under Principal Jessica Richardson. Last year, Tyson earned Ocean Palms' School-Related Employee of the Year award, a distinction that is given for outstanding contributions to the school community. We look forward to a long and successful relationship with Mr. Shank.

Fifth Grader Jake Hudson is Hartley's Top Speller

Hartley's 2018 Spelling Bee competition will be remembered as one of the most exciting and close contests in school history. In the ninth round, Jake Hudson and Chloe Brett battled for the title of school spelling champion and the right to represent Hartley at the January 23 SJCSD Spelling Bee in St. Augustine. Jake correctly spelled the words, "cavalcade" and "Icarus" to capture the top speller honor. Congratulations to Jake, Chloe and all of the 15 fifth grade contestants who competed in this year's Bee. We are thankful to Spelling Bee Coordinator Shannon Mergel, Pronouncer Rachelle McCranie and Judges Amy Kelly and Sherry McLellan for bringing a professional ambience to this year's event. Good luck in the district contest, Jake! Our finalists are pictured to the right.





2018 Spelling Bee Participants

Jake Hudson Chloe Brett Jayden Hoover

Amelia Hale Doriane Parrish Quan Mai

Hannah McFarlane Ella McDaniel Alex Hales

Elena Manaute Connor Prescott Hayden Tout

Hope Kennerly Jamie Gullet Aiden Harris

Congratulations to November Character Counts Student Honorees!

We are very proud of these students, who were chosen by their teachers and classmates as exemplars of the character pillar, Responsibility during the month of October.

<u>Kindergarten</u>	<u>First Grade</u>	<u>Second Grade</u>
Charlotte Arnold	Ronan Finstad	Nahom Fissehaye
Leeahna Burke	Patrick Halloran	Joud Koleilat
Dominick Porritt	Omar Knio	Jackson Marston

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Zoey Villavisanis

Third Grade Fourth Grade Fifth Grade

Elizabeth Densmore Elena Barry Lucy Cohen Avery Kelly Lillian Handley Landon Coe Scarlett MacConnell Ryan Li Emma Fischer Harper Moody Cara Martin Aiden Harris Eva Schleissing Tresley Register Aidan Jones Mason Sisk Lilly Strange Abby Ziecheck

Vega Whetstone

Calling ALL 2nd Graders!

Mrs. Baker is thrilled to announce our first four members of the 2nd grade Addition Club: **Christian Baltean**, **Joud Koleilat. Carter Tussing**, and **Spencer Fox**. 2nd graders are challenged to show mastery of their addition and then, subtraction facts through 20. Their names are announced on the morning news and placed on the Addition/Subtraction Wall of Fame. "I am hoping to see the names of all second graders on this wall this year!" shared Mrs. Baker.



Upcoming events:

December 7: Basketball Games: Hartley vs. Crookshank at Sebastian Middle School. Girls

at 5:30 p.m., Boys at 6:30 p.m.

December 11: School Spirit Night at Chipotle Restaurant from 5-9 pm.

December 13: Basketball Games: Hartley vs. Southwoods at Southwoods Elementary.

Girls at 5:30 p.m., Boys at 6:30 p.m

December 13: Kindergarten Winter Performance at 6 pm in the Cafeteria.

December 17: PTO Board Meeting at 3:15 pm in the Media Center

December 21: Tropicana Speech Contest

December 21: Last day of 2nd Quarter. EARLY RELEASE AT 1:50 PM.

December 22

Through January 6: Holiday Break: No School for Students!

Thanks for your Support!

The Student council's Food Drive was a great success. Thank you to all who participated!





Dear Families,

The Scholastic Book Fair will be held December 7th-14th and we're looking forward to seeing you there.

Come explore the large selection of books and find great reads for every person in your family. All books have been carefully reviewed by scholastic and approved for young readers. These books represent the best authors and illustrators in children's publishing.

Our Book Fair connects students to books they want to read. To help your child find the best books, he or she will visit the Book Fair during the school day. Students will be allowed to purchase books during their visits, but we also encourage you to look over the attached Book List with your child. If you are not able to attend, you may use the Book List order form as your guide and send it back to school with your child. This list does not include all book titles but has some great suggestions.

Mark your calendar for our Kindergarten Winter Performance on Thursday, December 13th. The Book Fair will be open from 6:30-8:00 pm. During this event, we also invite you to help build our classroom libraries by purchasing books and donating them to your child's class through the Classroom Wish List program.

Thank you for encouraging your child to read. We appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you at the Book Fair.

Sincerely, Michelle Sloat Media Specialist







SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Hartley Elementary School. Come in to the Chipotle at 1753 US Highway 1 S. in St. Augustine on Tuesday, December 11th between 5:00pm and 9:00pm. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Hartley Elementary School.



School Safety Initiative to begin in January, 2019

Safety is the #1 priority at Hartley Elementary School. To ensure that all of our children are safe at all times while on school grounds, beginning in January, the school gate where walkers and bike riders are dismissed will be closed until dismissal. At that time, an adult supervisor will supervise walkers and bike riders as they exit through the gate. All adults must remain on the opposite side of the gate and receive their children as they pass the exit.

We have the responsibility to protect your children from possible harm. This initiative is being implemented because we are unable to positively identify all adults who pass through the gate at dismissal. As you know, all parents and visitors who enter the school building are required to identify themselves and pass the approval process, but we are unable to use this system to positively identify the adults who are meeting children at the gate.

As always, we appreciate your confidence and support as we continue to prioritize the safety of your children.

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