

## The Hartley Hawks Headlines

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\* School Hours: 8:30 am – 2:50 pm \*Office Hours: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm \*Wednesdays Early Release 1:50 pm \*To Report an Absence: Mrs. Robin Kelley 904-547-8384

### Notes from Principal Scott

Dear Families of Hartley,

In just a few more days, the staff and students will begin a much-deserved break from teaching and learning at Hartley. The past month has been filled with quite a bit of excitement. There has also been much to celebrate in the last few weeks. Below are just a few highlights.

We had the opportunity at our recent Character Counts Awards ceremony to honor all those students in grades K-5 who earned the pillar of citizenship. Congratulations to all of our fifth grade students who participated in the Spelling Bee two weeks ago! It takes great courage to compete in any event. Special congratulations to Sabrina Jacobson who will be representing our school at the district level Spelling Bee. As many of you know, Mrs. Helen Hagan is retiring (see flyer on page four) after thirty plus years of faithful service to our school. While we will never be able to replace "Mrs. Helen," I am pleased to announce that Mrs. Laurie MacFarlane will be transitioning from our food services team to join us as a clerk/paraeducator when we return in January. This past Tuesday, I had the pleasure of attending the school board meeting where each school's rookie teacher and teacher of the year were honored. This year our teachers nominated Mrs. Stephanie Hudson as rookie of the year and Mrs. Maya Mehanna as the teacher of the year. Both of these teachers are members of our wonderful fifth grade team. Our kindergarten teachers are also to be congratulated for the fine job they did of coordinating this year's, Holidays Around the World program. Our students performed great at both our family and student programs. We are all proud of them.

Please join us for our next spirit night this Wednesday. It will take place at Chipotle (flyer on page five). We receive 50% of the sales between 4:00-8:00 pm. We earned \$450.00 at our last spirit night at Chick fil A where we received a much smaller percentage of the receipts. With your support, we are sure to raise even more at this event. I will be there between 5:30-6:30. Hope you can join us! Lastly, I encourage you to take the time to read this month's entire newsletter, especially the last page. Thanks for your continued support, which is evident in so many ways. It all helps to make Hartley the wonderful school we all know and love.

Hartley Parents & Visitors: You must be an approved volunteer to come into school. You can no longer sign-in as a visitor. You must be an approved volunteer or an approved vendor.

If you would like to visit your child at school during lunch, attend a field trip, and/or volunteer at school, please fill out the volunteer application on the following website:

https://knt3.keepntrack.com/HTML/KnTOnlineVolunteerApplication.html?db=stjohns&version=3.16.1-20160701

Once your application has been cleared through the school district and the St. Johns County Sherriff's office, it will be valid for three years. You will not need to fill out another application in the future, just let us know you need to be renewed. Your volunteer status, once cleared, will allow you to sign in at all St. Johns County Schools.

<u>Please do not check your child out early from school, or call after 2:00 PM (1:00 PM Wednesday)</u> to change the way your child goes home (EXCEPT IN THE CASE OF AN EMERGENCY).

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

#### **Holiday Giving Tree Update**

Many thanks to the great outpouring of generosity from our Hartley family. This year, we were able to raise \$1,069 to support our yearly Giving Tree. The money raised will provide gifts for our families in need. Proceeds from the Kids' Closet netted \$420, sale of the ornaments was \$361 and the Hat day yielded \$288. WOW! I also want to thank faculty, staff and parents who adopted individual children and helped with holiday gifts. I hope everyone has a wonderful winter break. ~ Brigid Garbini, School Counselor



#### Nurse Newbern

Cold and Flu season is coming upon us. Parents, if your child has a fever of 100.0 or greater, please keep them home. They may return to school when they have been fever free for 24 hours without the assistance of medication such as Tylenol or Advil.

Also, as a reminder, please check your child regularly for head lice. If you find your child to have lice, please inform the school so we may check all the children in class and treat the room.

Thank you so much, Nurse Rosemary 904-547-8389

### Calendar of Events

#### **December**

12/19 - Tropicana Speech Contest (5<sup>th</sup> grade)

12/19 – Hugs with Helen 8:30-9:30am Media (see invite on last page of newsletter)

12/20 – Chipotle Spirit Night – 4:00 – 8:00pm Please show e-mailed flyer or mention you are supporting Hartley

12/20 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade AR Celebration

12/20 - Early Release @ 1:50pm

12/21 – Early Release @ 1:50pm

12/22-12/07 \*\* Winter Break\*\*

Children return to school January 8, 2018



#### **KINDERGARTEN**

Gray Ackerman Norah Linderman Fiona Mc Gowen Isabella Mina Alex Semanyk

#### FIRST GRADE

Logan Fischer Grayson Hedrick Alexander Lands Kaleb Powell Veronica Rivera Lauren Thai

#### **SECOND GRADE**

Finnley Danlovich Austin Denman Isabella Hernandez Harper Moody Madison Sanders

#### **THIRD GRADE**

Jillian Dubowsky Elizabeth Friedman Gabriella Handley Alexander King Ava Marshall Nicholas Massis Charles Olivero Makailynn Upton

#### **FOURTH GRADE**

Jolie Albert Ella Estremera Kalila Giordano Drew Medearis Kyle Sikes Ralph Williams

#### FIFTH GRADE

Emily Allan Grace Bailey Madyson Beltran Aristide Cahagne Josselyn Engelman John Goff Olivia Riddle James Simpson

# "Hugs With Hagan"

You are invited to come wish Mrs. Helen Hagan joy and happiness as she begins the next chapter in life and retirement!

Who: Past Hartle

**Who:** Past Hartley students, families and

members of the community

Where: W. D. Hartley Elementary

Media Center

When: Tuesday, December 19, 2017

Stop in anytime between 8:30 and 9:30am

Thankfully sponsored by the Hartley Elementary PTO Board! ptohartley@gmail.com



# SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT

Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support WD Hartley Elementary School. Come in to the Chipotle at 1753 US Highway 1 S. in St. Augustine on Wednesday, December 20th between 4:00pm and 8:00pm. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to WD Hartley Elementary School.



If placing an order online during your fundraiser, please note you must choose the pay in-store option and inform our cashier of your participation before paying. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.



# HAVE THE BEST WINTER BREAK IMAGINEABLE WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS! TRY NOT TO HAVE TOO MUCH FUN!

We'll see you back here safely in 2018!

From,

Mr. Scott

