



# HAWK HIGHLIGHTS

FALL 2021

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"ONE TEAM...ONE GOAL"

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HHE Families,

We have so much to look forward to this quarter at HHE! This month our students and parents can participate in our school wide PTO Trunk or Treat on October 28<sup>th</sup> and class parties on October 29<sup>th</sup>. November marks the beginning of the giving season. Our Harvest Drive will kick off on November 1<sup>st</sup> and continue through November 10<sup>th</sup>. We are encouraging the concept of children and adults working together to assist families in Broward County with gifts of food and other necessities during the Thanksgiving holidays and throughout the year. Look for a flyer coming soon. Another exciting event is our annual Fun Run! This year, PTO is transforming the fun run to a Fitness FUNdraiser. Look for information coming soon!

Please remember to always have your HHE car tag when you drive through the car line. The car line is moving smoothly, so please arrive on time to pick up your child. If you need another car tag, please call the office. Remember, all students must enter and exit the vehicle from the passenger side.

Parents, please continue to talk to your children about appropriate language and conversations in school. It's important for children to learn that the actions and words used in video/computer games are not appropriate in school. We are working with our students on strategies to express their frustration in an appropriate manner.

Thank you for your continued support and for being a part of our HHE TEAM!

Educationally Yours,  
Mrs. Weiss-Schnur



## Food Allergies

If your child has a food allergy, we MUST have a current doctor's note on file each school year. If the allergy requires a cafeteria food substitution, the note must clearly state what the replacement item should be.

## Medications



If your child needs to take medication at school, please bring the medicine with a completed Authorization for Medication Form signed by the doctor to the front office. The nurse will receive the medication & forms.

## Stay Connected

**HHE Website** <https://www.browardschools.com/heronheights>

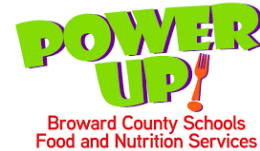
**PTO Website** <https://www.hhepto.com/>

**Parent Link-** These are informative calls and emails from Broward Schools and Heron Heights. If you are not receiving them, contact the front office at 754-322-9150 to be sure your contact information is up to date.

**Facebook-** Be sure to “Like” Heron Heights Elementary, Parkland FL on Facebook.

**Twitter-** Follow Mrs. Weiss-Schnur on Twitter @Principal HHE.

## DATES TO REMEMBER



<b>October 25<sup>th</sup></b>	SAC & SAF Mtgs. @2:30pm
<b>October 25<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup></b>	Red Ribbon Week
<b>October 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup></b>	Fall Pictures
<b>October 28<sup>th</sup></b>	PTO Trunk or Treat
<b>October 29<sup>th</sup></b>	Fall Class Parties
<b>November 1<sup>st</sup>-10<sup>th</sup></b>	Harvest Drive
<b>November 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	PTO Candy Collection
<b>November 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup></b>	Anti-Bullying Week
<b>November 10<sup>th</sup></b>	PTO Meeting
<b>November 11<sup>th</sup></b>	No School
<b>November 12<sup>th</sup></b>	Report Cards Issued (Online-Virtual Counselor)
<b>November 17<sup>th</sup></b>	PTO Fitness FUNdraiser
<b>November 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup></b>	No School (Happy Thanksgiving)
<b>November 30<sup>th</sup></b>	Fall Picture Retakes
<b>December 8<sup>th</sup></b>	PTO Meeting
<b>December 13<sup>th</sup></b>	SAC& SAF Mtgs.@2:30pm
<b>December 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Winter Chorus Concert
<b>December 20<sup>th</sup></b>	PTO Meeting
<b>December 20<sup>th</sup> –31<sup>st</sup></b>	No School (Winter Break)
<b>January 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	School Resumes
<b>January 10<sup>th</sup></b>	Early Release Day
<b>January 11<sup>th</sup></b>	No School. Planning Day

### Breakfast and Lunch

As a reminder, the district will continue to offer students **breakfast and lunch** at no charge. A la carte items may still be purchased.

Ice Cream sales are on Wednesdays. The cost is .65 cents. You can pay for the above items via cash or

<https://www.myschoolbucks.com/>

View the school menu:

<https://schools.mealviewer.com/school/HeronHeightsElementarySchool>

### Important Phone Numbers

Main Office: 754-322-9150

Attendance Line: 754-322-9152

Fax: 754-322-9190

After Care: 754-322-9172





Our multiage team strives to create classroom communities where children think of each other as not just classmates, but as cherished friends and learning partners. To make this happen, we provide opportunities for our multiage students and families to engage with one another outside of school.

In October, we will be having our annual Trunk or Treat. This has been one of our favorite events and we are thrilled to be able to host it, once again, this school year. The parking lot will be filled with over 80 cars and 200 kids. We know our families will not disappoint with their creativity.

In our classrooms, K/1 and 2/3 students are writing small moment stories. This unit enables them to write with detail, including showing a character's actions, dialogue, and internal thinking. As they produce their piece, they will move with independence through the writing process, choosing an idea, planning their writing across pages of a booklet, and revising to bring more detail and life to their stories. We look forward to publishing day.

As our slogan this year states, MULTIAGE is my HAPPY PLACE!

## Kindergarten

It's hard to believe our kindergarten students have completed the first quarter and have learned so much already. We are excited for our Fall Festival and parade at the end of October and look forward to engaging in additional learning fun as we get into Thanksgiving and the holidays.

In second quarter, the students will continue to learn and practice Phonemic Awareness and Phonics skills through multiple learning experiences. We will learn new reading strategies and through shared, small group and interactive reading, kindergarten students will practice comprehension skills including retelling, main idea and details, and character and setting. All these activities will help them flourish into young readers.

In math, we will continue to explore and compare numbers, as well as begin working on addition concepts, using a variety of manipulatives.

In Science, we will be learning about living things. We will be digging deeper into plants and animals, as we compare, observe, and explore.

In Social Studies, we will be comparing families "then and now", as well as beginning to learn about Geography.

We love watching our students learn and grow each day and we thank you for all your support.

## 1st Grade

First grade is happy, safe, and learning! We are moving and grooving into the second quarter of the school year. Students will use grade-appropriate phonics and word-analysis skills to decode words accurately. First grade readers will identify and explain the moral of a story and identify the topic/relevant details of an informational text. In the area of math, we will build upon our subtraction concepts and strategies. These skills will prepare us for base ten operations. Our first-grade scientists will explore the big idea of interdependence and switch gears in Social Studies to historical knowledge, learning about celebrations and national holidays. We encourage you to read daily with your child and strive for those i-Ready goals.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> GRADE

Fall is in the air and exceptional learning is happening in second grade. This month 2nd graders are hard at work learning about scientists, science tools, and the scientific method. We have started our new reading series and are learning about habitats and main ideas, details, and text features. In math, the students are working on addition and subtraction. The kids are excited to write expository stories about animals. We are having a chilling great time in 2nd!

## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

4th grade is learning how to work in reading and math groups! We have been working in centers to master our skills. In math we are learning how to multiply using place value in several different ways. Although we are working on all our reading skills this month, we will focus on reading informational text. We are learning how to find the main idea, make inferences and how to read technical and historical texts. We are looking forward to our upcoming field trip on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> called Byte Sized Adventure in Space!

## 3<sup>rd</sup> GRADE

Our third graders have been hard at work and having fun learning as we wrap up the first quarter and begin the second quarter. We have established our reading and writing communities working in small peer groups and making connections between the reading and writing workshop. Students have been setting goals as readers to deepen their understanding and strengthening their endurance independently.

In writing, we have been working on small moments and developing our personal narratives into thoughtful pieces as we celebrate our 3rd grade authors. The third graders have also been learning many different math strategies with addition, subtraction, and multiplication. We have also connected these strategies to better understand multiple step story problems and breaking them into parts.

Our awesome students have also been studying Animals and Plants in Science and will learn about different forms of energy. In Social Studies we learned about maps and will learn about culture and Veteran's Day. We will be celebrating Government Day on October 21 and have our Fall Festival on October 29.

The third-grade teachers are very proud of the progress their students have made this first quarter of the school year and thankful for all the support of the parents in their partnership to make this a great year together.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Fifth grade is excited to be back in school. We have been hard at work for the past quarter. Some curriculum updates are:

**Math:** we have done place value, multiplication, and expressions. We are now dividing whole numbers, and next up are decimals.

**ELA/Writing:** In literature we have covered key ideas and details, citing accurately from text. We've also learned about craft and structure, figurative language, and point of view. We are working on informative writing.

**Science:** We started with the scientific method – the practice of science, and characteristics of scientific knowledge. We are working on Earth Systems and patterns – water cycle, weather, extreme weather preparedness. Next, we will cover space, we will have an in-house “Intergalactic Space Adventure” field trip in November.

Fifth graders will participate in Student Council activities as well.

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### **Media Center**

The Media Center is filled with student activity. 5th graders are back to being Media Helpers and the Morning News is now live, thanks to Mr. Grayson, our micro tech. Checkout is taking place in 1st-5th grade and kindergarteners will begin this month.

Kindergarten and first grade students have focused on Media procedures, book care and choosing good fit books. Students will continue with choosing good fit books while they begin looking at genres. They have begun listening to the Sunshine State Reading Award Jr. books and they will vote on their favorite one in the spring.

Second through Fifth grade students have also focused on Media procedures and choosing good fit books. They are working on updating their Beanstalk accounts and will be participating in Digital Citizenship activities this month. The Sunshine State Reading Award program began on October 1st and students will be learning about the books and authors in the coming months. It is optional for 3rd-5th grade to independently read the books, but highly encouraged with a celebration at the end of the year.

### **STEM**

In STEM this quarter we will be adding Legos to the list of activities. In addition, we will be building towers, cars, and creating a variety of hands-on projects.

### **ART**

The first day of Art students created a self-portrait that is now hanging in the hallway in a paper mural. The kids enjoy looking for themselves among all the small pictures. We are currently completing our fall painting project and are looking forward to starting collages in the next quarter.

If your child has not brought in a sketchbook, please try and get one in since we are going to start using them this quarter. If your child had one here prior to virtual learning and it had not been returned, it might be in the bins under my white board. We continue to use the same sketchbooks so that the students can see how they grew as an artist each year!

### **PE**

We are going to continue moving and having safe fun in PE! During class, we work on developing strategy and motor skills. Another important skill that we are working on is good sportsmanship.

Reminder, please wear sneakers to PE and don't forget your water bottles!

### **Music**

This month in the music department we are studying rhythm, beat, pitch and the music staff using a variety of fun games and activities.

The HHE Chorus has also been working hard at producing an exhilarating Holiday concert for everyone to enjoy!



# The Counselor's Corner



The SEL and Mindfulness Toolkit for Families provides help for parents and guardians to help children adjust during the reopening of schools with an emphasis on Social & Emotional Learning and Mindfulness. Parents, guardians, and families will find a list of social & emotional learning and mindfulness resources to support you, your child, and your family during these challenging times. In the classroom teachers may be using [ReThink Ed \(Links to an external site.\)](#) Platform. This SEL and Mindfulness Toolkit will provide activities with:

- Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) resources to teach vital social and emotional skills
- Mindfulness video and activities
- Resources to support your own inner resources in dealing with stress in today's world, during school's reopening and this time with COVID.

## 1. Accessing the SEL and Mindfulness Toolkits for Families and Students and 10 Minutes of Mindfulness/SEL. Scan the barcode below.



## 2. How Do I Register for My Free ReThink Ed Account?

- [CLICK HERE FOR BROWARD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS/RETHINK ED PARENT ACCOUNT REGISTRATION! \(Links to an external site.\)](#)
- Complete the form and click REGISTER. (*Note: Be patient. This process may take a few minutes.*)
- Write down your username and password.
- Enjoy the program!

**Additional Family Mindfulness Tools:** <https://www.cscbroward.org/mindful-parenting>



[Click for Saferwatch Link](#)



[Click for Fortify Link](#)



[Click for See Something Link](#)

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- Employee Planning (no school for students)
- Schools and Administrative Offices Closed
- Schools Closed
- Report Cards Issued
- Interim Reports Issued
- Early Release Day
- First and Last Day of School

Hurricane Make-Up Days: 10/19/21, 1/10/22, 2/14/22, 3/17/22, 4/14/22, 6/9/22

The School Board of Broward County, Florida, prohibits any policy or procedure which results in discrimination based on age, color, disability, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation. The School Board also provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Individuals who wish to file a discrimination and/or harassment complaint may call the Director, Equal Educational Opportunities/ADA Compliance Department & District's Equity Coordinator/Title IX Coordinator at 754-321-2150 or Teletype Machine (TTY) 754-321-2158.

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