



Haines Happenings

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Happy January and Happy Winter!

We are excited about 2020 at Haines! All grades should be working hard on their fluency folders starting in January and earning their stickers for awesome prizes. Teachers will have all of the information you need. Reading every night is one of the most important things you can do to help your child be successful in 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade. We want our students to be so excited about reading and we appreciate your help at home!

Third graders should continue practicing their math facts. Addition, subtraction and multiplication! The annual Math Fact Challenge starts in February. More information will be coming soon. This is very exciting and we want all students to be successful and have fun!

Everyone at Haines wishes you a Happy and Healthy 2020!

Dr. Michelle Hall
Principal



- Jan. 6 Classes Resume
Haines Memory Book Sale Begins
- Jan. 7 Principal For The Day Starting
Spanish Quest (3:45-4:45 pm)
- Jan. 9 Midterms
REFLEX DAY
- Jan. 10 RESPECT DAY - Wear Yellow
- Jan. 13 LEGO Club (3:45-4:45 pm)
- Jan. 14 Spanish Quest (3:45-4:45 pm)
- Jan. 17 PRIDE DAY – Wear spirit wear/colors
2nd History For Kids (Tall Tales)
(2:00-2:45 pm in Gym)
Terra Nova Practice Day –
(All 2nd & 3rd Grade)
- Jan. 20 No School – Martin Luther King
- Jan. 21 Specials Change to Music
Spanish Quest (3:45-4:45 pm)
- Jan. 22 Young Rembrandts (3:45-4:45 pm)
Terra Nova Testing
2nd & 3rd Grade January 21-January 24
- Jan. 24 2nd Grade Hibernation Day!
- Jan. 27 LEGO Club (3:45-4:45 pm)
- Jan. 28 Spanish Quest (3:45-4:45 pm)
- Jan. 29 Young Rembrandts (3:45-4:45 pm)
- Jan. 31 Memory Book Orders Due





Memory Book Sale January 6 – January 31

On January 9th we will begin taking orders for The 2019-2020 Haines Memory Book.

Memory books include class photos and autograph pages. If you are interested, please return the order form with payment. We will take orders through January 31. Memory Books will be delivered at the end of May.

We will not have any extra books to sell at the end of the year.



OUTDOOR RECESS

Weather permitting, all children go outside for recess. Be sure your child has the proper clothing for the outdoors as the days become cooler. The fresh air and exercise are important for children. We have indoor recess whenever the following happens:

- The temperature/wind chill is below 15 degrees
- The snow is extremely wet
- We are unable to clear a sufficient are of playground of snow
- The playground is too wet

School Box Lunch Reminder

School box lunches are ordered ahead by the orders received by the student selection lunch form. The lunches are delivered fresh daily.

Lunch order forms can be found on the school website and also available by paper copy to fill out and return. Just call the school office, we'll send one home with your student.

Terra Nova Testing 2nd & 3rd Grade

Terra Nova testing is quickly approaching! All of our classrooms will be testing **January 21 through January 24**. These tests help the school to evaluate student's needs and progress while providing information to you as the parent to help monitor their progress. The following are a few pointers to help your children the week of testing.

- Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep before a test, and make sure your child eats properly the day of a test.
- Send in a nutritious snack. (many teachers will be providing an extra snack time between tests, be sure to watch their newsletters for this information)
- Ensure that your child is present and on time during testing (children perform better when taking a test in their groups rather than at a make-up time).
- Reassure your child that just like every day, we are all looking for them to do the best they can.

ACES

Our district is partners with the New Lenox Park District ACES program. This program takes place at Haines School to provide before and after school care. For more information, call 815-485-1737 or www.newlenoxparks.org Click on programs on the left of the screen, then click on "ACES."



Pillar of The Month

January

Respect

- * Be Tolerant and accepting of differences
- * Be considerate of the feelings of others
- * Use good manners, not bad language



**HAINES HUSKIES HOLLAR OUT
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!
TO....
JANUARY BIRTHDAYS!**

**Alejandro A.
Dean A.
Ryan A.
Kiera B.
Brenna B.
Leila B.
Ethan B.
Ethan C.
Jadon C.
Seamus G.
Marilyn G.
Garrett H.
Hailey H.
Joshua H.**

**Jordan H.
Jacob J.
Hunter K.
Breanna K.
Emily L.
Kellen M.
Olivia M.
Lillyann N.
Anna Pl.
Brenden P.
Sawyer P.
Gracelynn R.
Noah S.
Thomas W.**



December Pillar
Caring

- * Be Kind
- * Forgive Others
- * Help people in Need



Congratulations to these Haines Huskies for being chosen for Pillar of the Month Of December! **CARING**

1st Grade

Mrs. Brosius

Ryan A.
Kloe S.

Mrs. Davy

Alex B.
Jolene B.

Mrs. Lessner

Royce E.
Lillian Z.

Mrs. Vaughan

Austin B.
Laila V.

Miss Welch

Everleigh O.
Jaidyn S.

2nd Grade

Mrs. Brown/Mrs. Vasquez

Brenna B.
Jackson C.

Mrs. Clifton

Ethan F.
Marilyn G.

Mrs. Frieri

Reese L.
Roman L.

Mrs. Kneeland

Ethan G.
Sammy S.

Mrs. Williard

Josh G.
Abby H.

Specials & PE

Violet M.
Micaela O.

3rd Grade

Mrs. Harty

Emmy G.
Ryan Z.

Miss Jandacek

Maddie G.
Oliver M.

Mrs. Mitchell

Andrew C.
Claire H.

Mrs. Puckhaber

Deegan O.
Madelyn W.

Mr. Siegel

Allison H.
Vince P.

Kindergarten Information Night

New Lenox School District #122 Kindergarten Information Night will be held on Thursday, February 27th, 2020 from 6:30-7:30 pm. The information night will take place at Spencer Trail Kindergarten Center (1701 S. Spencer Road). At 6:30, last names "A-M" meet in the gym and last names "N-Z" meet in a yellow neighborhood classroom.

This night is for the purpose of PRE-REGISTRATION

The evening is intended for parents of incoming kindergarteners, for the 2020-2021 school year **only**. Kindergarten students will attend an orientation day in August. If you have any questions or are unable to attend the meeting, please call 815-485-2169.

Preschool Screening

New Lenox School District will be screening children from ages three to five in the areas of motor, cognitive and speech/language development. Early childhood educators will present "game-like" activities to your child which assess various developmental skills. All preschoolers who reside in our district are eligible to attend free of charge. This is a preschool screening, ***not*** a kindergarten readiness screening. This year the screening will be held at Cherry Hill School.

May 8, 2020

Call Cherry Hill School at 815-462-7831 to schedule an appointment.



PTO Principal For The Day

Be on the look out for more information coming home after winter break.

The winning student will be Principal for the Day in February.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

Please remember that the Haines playground is not a public park and is not considered a walkway in the neighborhood during the school day. Please plan your walking routes around the front of the school and not through the back of the school. At no time should any parent or community member be on the playground during recess times or other times when students are out. This is for the safety and security of our school and our children. We also ask that you remember to curb your pet when walking through our playground or adjoining property outside of school hours since small children are at play in these areas.

Emergency School Closing Information

In case of inclement weather a *Connect-Ed* message will be sent as soon as the decision to cancel school is made. Parents may also listen to radio station **WJOL (1340AM)**, **WBBM (780AM)**, or **WGN (720AM)**. There are also web sites: www.EmergencyClosings.com or www.nlsd122.org.

Closings are listed also on television Channels:
2, 5, 7, 9, Fox 32 and CLTV News.

You may also call the Hot News Number
815-462-7001, mailbox 7107#.

Notes from the Nurse

Happy New Year!

January
is
National Blood Donor Month!



Here are some of the biggest reasons giving blood is so important.

About 36,000 units of red blood cells and 7,000 units of platelets are needed every single day in the U.S.

The most requested blood type by hospitals is type O. This kind of blood can be transfused to patients of all blood types, so it's always in great demand and very short supply. Only 7% of people in the U.S. have type O.

A single car accident victim may need up to 100 pints of blood to survive.

About 6.8 million people donate blood every year in the U.S.

38% of our population is eligible to donate, but less than 10% actually do.

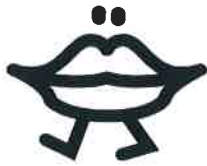
Donating blood is a simple, safe process. All you have to do is register, take a mini medical history test, donate, and then accept free refreshments like water, Gatorade, granola bars, etc.

A single donation can help up to 3 people.

*President Richard Nixon proclaimed January as National Blood Donor Month for the first time on December 31, 1969, as requested by Senate Joint Resolution 154.

~Mrs Labriola
Haines School Nurse





Communication Corner

Happy January! So the holidays are over and it might be too cold to go outside and sled or play in the snow, what to do? Undoubtedly, your children received many gifts this past holiday season from Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles etc. Thank you notes are not obsolete and nor is the gift givers love to receive them in the mail. Here are a few steps to do with your child that might help get started and incorporate language enrichment into the process:

- Make a list of people and what gift they gave you
- Make a template of what to say: example- Dear _____, Thank you for the _____. I love playing with it. Love , _____.
- Copy on to thank you notes inserting the different names and gifts in as needed.
- Help your child with spelling
- Address the envelopes, talk about why an envelope needs a return address and a recipient address.
- Have the child put stamps on, talk about that they are not stickers, what the significance is of putting a stamp on a letter.
- Let your child physically put the addressed envelopes in the mail box at the post office or hand them to the mail person. Talk about how the letters will get to loved ones...truck, air, mailperson etc.

Mrs. Gheorghiu
Speech/Language Pathologist

Lines from the LRC

Wow, we had a fantastic One Day Book Fair! Thank you to everyone who came out and supported our school. We will be having our week long Book Fair in April so be on the lookout for more information in the Spring. During the month of January the students will be participating in a book tasting activity. The goal of a book tasting is to introduce the students to new types of reading materials that they may not typically select on their own. We also will be learning more about the nonfiction section of our library!

Happy Reading,
Mrs. Lasak

HAINES PHYSICAL EDUCATION
January Newsletter

Review: After we get back from winter break we will finish up basketball with some modified games. Students have been busy learning how to dribble, bounce pass, and free throw shoot using the correct form. The end of the unit consists of a modified basketball game where the students learn the difference between offense and defense and how to play offense and defense.

I like to remind the students all the time that basketball is one of the easiest sports to practice, as you only need a basketball and a hoop as essentials. Ask to see how they dribble -- that is where I saw the most improvement across all grade levels.

Preview: After we get back from break and finish out basketball, we will be having a mixed month of fitness activities and jump roping. January 13th is our Jump Rope for Heart kick-off assembly and **Feb. 13th** is the actual event for our **3rd grade classes**. That will give them a month to collect donations for the American Heart Association. We will be discussing heart healthy choices during fitness days leading up to it. Mixed in throughout the month will be our jump rope unit where they will work on fitness using basic jumps. 1st and 2nd grade will also practice some fitness testing and 3rd grade will perform fitness assessments that focuses on cardio, strength, and flexibility.

-Mr. Wolf



I'm constantly reminded that we are not alone in this endeavor of raising our children to be respectful, honest, hard-working, happy people. It truly DOES take a village. Thank you, parents and guardians and babysitters and grandparents, for reading to and with our children. Thank you for taking the time to answer their many questions and to engage them in conversation and correct them when necessary. Thank you for guiding them into exploration and wonderment at the world we live in. Thank you for teaching them to care about our planet and each other. Thank you for partnering with us here at Haines to bring out the best in each and every one of our unique children. Thank you.

Whose Child is This?

"Whose child is this?" I asked one day
Seeing a little one out at play
"Mine", said the parent with a tender smile
"Mine to keep a little while
To bathe his hands and comb his hair
To tell him what he is to wear
To prepare him that he may always be good
And each day do the things he should."

"Whose child is this?" I asked again
As the door opened and someone came in
"Mine", said the teacher with the same tender smile
"Mine to keep just for a little while
To teach him how to be gentle and kind
To train and direct his dear little mind
To help him live by every rule
And get the best he can from school."

"Whose child is this?" I ask once more
Just as the little one entered the door
"Ours" said the parent and the teacher as they smiled
And each took the hand of the little child
"Ours to love and train together
Ours this blessed task forever."

Mrs. Thompson
Reading Specialist



Gifted and Academically Talented Education (GATE)

New Lenox School District 122 believes that each child is unique and has special talents. Teachers provide experiences in an atmosphere in which these talents will be nurtured and new talents will be acquired and encouraged. Teachers will provide options in classroom assignments and learning experiences that will encompass a variety of intelligences, modalities or learning styles.

Beginning in fourth grade, New Lenox School District 122 has a Gifted and Academically Talented Education program known as GATE. A set criterion is used to determine eligibility into the program. A matrix measures multiple components including student's class performance, cognitive ability, achievement and aptitude are reviewed.

We recognize many students have remarkable grades (Secure/A's) on their report cards. These scores are part of identifying students for our GATE program. We acknowledge student's academic ability and class performance by factoring GPA into the eligibility criteria. In addition to grades, achievement scores from the Terra Nova, cognitive scores (CSI) from the InView test, and diagnostic scores in grades 6 & 7 are taken into consideration to provide a complete profile of the student. High achieving students, who do not qualify for GATE, will be challenged in the general education setting through differentiation strategies implemented by the classroom teachers. For more information about the Comprehensive Plan for Gifted and Academically Talented Education in New Lenox School District 122, visit www2.nlsd122.org.

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January PTO Corner



Thank you to all who...

- * Enjoyed purchasing candy and/or ice cream at our December 9th Raffy's Dine & Donate
- * Created a Masterpiece at our December 11th DIY Painting Party at 3 Corners
- * Joined us at our December 19th Meeting at Martino Jr High
- * Made your holiday shopping easier and participated in our Winter Gift Card Sale



Come out to have a pizza made any way you like it! Join us at Mod Pizza on Tuesday, January 14th from 10:30 am to 10:30 pm. Please show the emailed coupon on your phone and mention that you are supporting the New Lenox PTO!

ADMISSION IS FREE!
Grab the kids and head out to the New Lenox PTO Family Bingo Night!

Date: Friday January 24th
Time: Doors open at 6:30
Bingo plays from 7:00-9:00

Place: Spencer Crossing/
Pointe Luncheon and Gym



Building capacity is 925! First come, first served!

FOOD & FUN!
Pizza and snacks will be sold!
NEW Whole pizzas can be pre-ordered for your family!
50/50 and Basket Raffles!
Prizes for Bingo winners!
Teachers and Principals will be Bingo callers!

January Highlights...

- * Dine & Donate at Mod Pizza, Tuesday, January 14th
- * PTO Meeting, Thursday January 16th, 9:30 am, Haines School
- * Bingo Night, Friday January 24th, 6:30 - 9:00 pm, Spencer Pointe/Spencer Crossing Campus

Upcoming Events...

- * Dine & Donate at Tom Kelly's, Monday, February 10th
- * Family Skate Night at Family Fun Zone, Thursday, February 13th, 6:00 - 9:00
- * PTO Meeting, Thursday February 20th, 9:30 am, Spencer Pointe School
- * Urban Air Trampoline Park, Wednesday, February 26th, 4:00 - 8:00
- * Spring Gift Card Sale, March 3 - 17, delivery/pick-up April 8
- * Pots & Paints, March 4 (SP), March 5 (T), March 12 (H), March 18 (NP)

SPECIAL NOTE:

Due to unforeseen scheduling conflicts, Family Fun Fair originally on February 29th has been cancelled. We hope to revitalize it for next year!



HAPPY NEW YEAR

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