

Hollymead Buzz

A Newsletter for Parents

April 21, 2020

April at Home

Dear Hollymead Families,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. I think for most of us the newness of social distancing is definitely wearing off, and we are settling in for the long haul. It's been an interesting experience so far, and I appreciate all of your efforts in this huge transition. This kind of disruption can be difficult, and you are amazing.

When confronted with something unusual to me, I work hard to be in the mindset that there is no good or bad, just different. Over the last couple of weeks at home, I've tried to remind myself of that for me, and for student learning. I obviously believe strongly in public education and the role that schools play for our young people, and society. Having them not in school is a challenge, but I'm reminding myself it is just different. They are in loving places, and I'm sure they're learning things that we do and don't teach them in school. I know they are engaging in family and home life, and I'm confident we will see great children who have learned a lot when they do return to school.

I would also like to highlight that April is the Month of the Military Child. We have many military families in our school community. We are always grateful to those families, and April is a month for us to honor the children and students of those families and their experiences. Whether they've experienced moving to different schools, being stationed in a foreign country having parents be deployed away from the family, or spending some weekends without their parents who travel to complete their duties, their role in the service of our military personnel shouldn't be overlooked. We are proud of our military families, and honored to have the students of those families at Hollymead. Thank you for all you do for us.

Please let me know if you have any questions, or reach out if you need assistance. We are here to serve you as best we can.

Best,
Craig Dommer
Principal, Hollymead Elementary School

Earth Day Art with Mrs. Foster

Let's get together **THIS WEDNESDAY**, to make art with things we can gather from our homes. Grab some recycled materials to reuse and make into art! Or make a poster to let others know about ways they can help our planet. And you can always draw your favorite animal, endangered or not.

Also, check out [my website](#) for more ideas and themes to use your creativity to support the planet.

Send me your art, songs and ideas and I will post them here for others to see. I can't wait to see what you create!

Mrs. Foster

mfoster@k12albemarle.org

See Zoom meeting information below:

Topic: Earth Day Art time with Mrs. Foster K-2

Time: Apr 22, 2020 11:00 AM-12:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://k12albemarle.zoom.us/j/93691995431?pwd=U1k4aEVqNUtqbHpWM3JCVEExDOGYyZz09>

Meeting ID: 936 9199 5431

Password: 341352

Topic: Earth Day Art time with Mrs. Foster 3-5

Time: Apr 22, 2020 01:00 PM-2:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://k12albemarle.zoom.us/j/92798140162?pwd=SVIGY2hoM3ZvcTlpdEh1RHdjNXJQZz09>

Meeting ID: 927 9814 0162

Password: 317224

OUR SCHOOL WILL JOIN THE FUN!

MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON IN YOUR STUDENT'S
PHYSICAL EDUCATION ONLINE LEARNING RESOURCES



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Field Day

Field Day is May 8th!

There will be no SeeSaw assignments that day, so everyone can try and participate! Here are some more details about the day:

[Field Day 2020](#)

Yearbooks

The PTO and the yearbook team are working hard to finish the yearbook, and we will get them to you!

If you have pictures of your learning at home - please consider submitting them here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdvijjKx9-JAqWzzbG850li6l3saa4h1NJMOp7PWctV1w0qpw/viewform>

[Also - ordering is still available online here!](#)