

HMS Parent Newsletter

January 27, 2022

A Note from the Principal

HMS Families:

We have now reached the halfway point in the school year and are so proud of the progress the students of HMS have made. Yesterday was the final day of the first semester and the students received their schedules for semester 2 during their HomeBase classes. Our teaching staff is working today to finalize semester 1 grades so that we can send home report cards to families next week.

This month, our students celebrated a few important events. Earlier this month, students celebrated Temperance and Good Citizenship Day by learning about the rights and responsibilities of citizens. In HomeBase classes, students discussed famous quotes about what makes a good citizen and created their own definitions for citizenship. The students also learned about the role of School Board Members as a part of School Board Appreciation Month. In our PE / fitness classes, students recently completed their archery unit.

At Hockinson Middle School, we value the voice of our students and families in shaping our school and helping us to determine what is working well and where we can improve. To help us collect information on your perspectives, we are asking all families to complete this [parent survey](#). The parent survey will help us to identify the programs and processes that help students to succeed and feel supported at school. We will also use the information you share to help us make decisions for the coming semester and next school year. Students will complete a survey on their experiences during HomeBase classes next week. Your voice is important and we thank you, in advance, for taking the time to share more about your experiences with us. The parent survey will be open through Friday, February 4.

Today is the final day to purchase See's Candies as a part of the PWT fundraiser. You can find the link to order candy below. From February 1 - 11, our ASB students will be selling carnations to be delivered on February 14. Each carnation is \$2 and can be purchased in our office. Finally, our next school spirit week will be Feb. 14 - 17. More details about the spirit days will be coming soon! Thank you PWT and ASB for creating these fun opportunities for students!

Thank you for your ongoing support of the students and staff of HMS! We are all grateful to be a part of this amazing community!

~ Meredith

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Sports Reminders

We are so excited that so many students have been supporting our basketball team by attending games. Great job showing your school spirit and supporting one another, Hornets!

As a reminder to parents, there is no after school supervision for students between school time and game time. It is our school policy that students go home after school and then return for the game, if they choose to attend. Thank you for your help in keeping school safe for all!



 **See's Candies Yum...**

www.yumraising.com



January HMS Award Winners

Please join me in congratulating the following students who were selected by their teachers to receive an HMS Award for the month of January. These students were chosen for consistently demonstrating **H**onorable, **M**otivated, and **S**afe and Secure behavior at school. HMS award certificates will be presented in class today. I hope that you will ask your child to share their certificate with you so you can hang it on the fridge!

January Award Winners

Ruby C., Caleb C., Mathew H., Paisley S., Juliana K., Laurel E., Rocky M., Lauren I., Kaleb S., Georgina R., Ethan I., Austin W., Cordelia B., Bostin H., Emma F., Matthew D., Zeiah G., Griffin O., Lydia C., Cooper B., Tayanna C., Marissa S., Enzo S., Bryson T., Dylan W., Bostin H., DeeDee B., Kyla K., Lucas F., Isabella O., Courtland W., Logan A., Kylee S., Pavann O., and Quinby J.



Remember to Vote by Feb. 8

We encourage all community members to vote by February 8. Every vote and voice is important in our community. Click [here](https://www.hocksd.org/Content/2022-levy-information) to learn more about the Hockinson School District Replacement levy and how it supports students. Thank you!

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PHYSICAL EDUCATION



Semester 2 PE Update

Students in semester 2 PE classes will have access to a PE locker and will be able to bring in gym clothes to wear during PE classes. Mr. Vettrus and Ms. Elgin have created a plan to allow social distancing in our locker rooms that will follow our COVID safety protocols. We will not have PE uniforms for semester 2. Mr. Vettrus and Ms. Elgin will share more about PE lockers and PE clothes during their classes next week.



Upcoming Events


- January 28: End of Semester 1 - No School
- January 31: Semester 2 Begins
- February 1: Black History Month Begins
- February 1 -11: ASB Carnation Sales
- February 4: Final day to complete [parent survey](#).
- February 7: Sixth Grade Wetlands Walking Field Trip
- February 7 - 11: Spirit Week - Additional Information Coming Soon!
- February 7 - 11: School Counselors' Week - Thank you Ms. Schneider!
- February 8: Election Day - Please remember to vote!
- February 9: Band Pictures
- February 16: Final Day to Purchase a Yearbook
- February 18 - 21: Presidents' Day Break



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