

OTTER NEWS

QUARTER 04

The official newsletter of Hilton Head Island Elementary IB



PRINCIPAL'S POINTS

MAY/JUNE 2023

We did it! It is hard to believe our school year has come to an end. Summer is here! I am beyond thankful for our PTO that made our end of year events possible. The 5th Grade Glow Party, Parents, Portfolios & Pastries, and Water/Field Days were enjoyed and appreciated by so many.

Tomorrow, we host our 5th grade promotion ceremony at 9:00am and Friday, all students in Grades 1-4 will "step up" and meet their teacher for next year. Each student will receive a summer packet of ways for students to keep up with their academics over the summer to avoid the summer slide. This is completely optional but highly recommended! You will also find a copy of your child's report card and the supply list for next year.

Our Summer Reading Program runs June 8th- June 29th from 7:15-2:45 for those students that received an invitation. A parent letter is coming home to tomorrow with specific details.

Our main office will be open this summer Monday through Thursday if you need anything. Please don't hesitate to reach out. Have a wonderful summer,

Mrs. Brockway

SCHOOL CALENDAR

AUGUST 2023							SEPTEMBER 2023						
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa	Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
		1	2	3	4	5						1	2
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Full day for students	Early Dismissal for students
No school for students	Weather make-up day, if needed
First day back for students	In-service day for school staff

First Day of
2023-24
School
Aug 22



BEAUFORT COUNTY
LIBRARY
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Who is ready for the Summer Reading Program through our local library?!



Notes from Ms. Boling Assistant Principal

It's been a wonderful school year at HHIBE! Thank you for having your child prepared and on time for state testing. I hope you enjoy your break and encourage you to ensure your child practices their reading skills this summer!

I will serve Beaufort County in a different capacity next school year as the Elementary Director of Teaching and Learning. I look forward to continuing my work with HHIBE in this new position and wish you and your child a great 2023-24 school year!



Notes from Mrs. Ryman Assistant Principal

If you want to be an active volunteer in our school please make sure you apply or renew your volunteer application through the BCSD website over the summer.

<https://www.beaufortschools.net/community/volunteer>

This way you can be ready to chaperone a field trip or participate in school activities with students.

Have a great summer!



Social Worker's Corner

- Does your student have a lunch balance? Check to see charges or pay it online by using www.paypams.com.
- Do you need to report an absence or send in a medical note? use HHIESattendance@beaufort.k12.sc.us

School Uniforms reminder for next year!

- Uniform Tops - pal yellow, pink, light blue, navy and white blouses or collard shirts.
- Uniform Bottoms - khaki, navy and now black shorts, pants, skirts and dresses.
- Shoes, closed toe, belts if there are loops and school appropriate tights or sock.

Please reach out to Denise Friday if you need assistance with uniforms. 843.342.4213 or denise.friday@beaufort.k12.sc.us

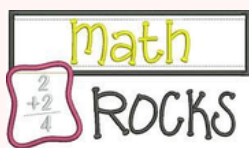


Lost & Found

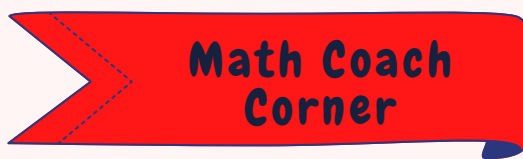
Located at our cafeteria

We still have a lot of lost and found items!! Sweatshirts, sweaters, jackets and lunch boxes. Please come by the school and claim your children's items before the end of the day, June 2nd. After that they will be donated.

Thank you.



Summer Math Challenge



Check your student's **yellow envelope for information** about this year's Summer Math Challenge!

We are challenging students to continue to practice math skills over the summer: If your child spends **just 10 minutes a day**, he or she will have completed more than 6 hours of math!

The great news? Your student has brought home **three math books** that can be used for summer practice: the enVision Volume 2 Workbook, the Additional Practice Book, and the SC Standards Practice Book.

In addition, students can **access school learning apps** on their home devices through

<https://launchpad.classlink.com/beaufort> using their Google usernames and passwords (see Add a little bit of body text for directions).

Ways to Keep Your Student's Math Skills Sharp During the Summer in 15-20 minutes, 5 Days a Week
Formas de mantener alineadas las habilidades matemáticas de su estudiante durante el verano en 15 a 20 minutos, 5 días a la semana

Academic With Computer Académico Con Computadora For access (Para Acceso): https://launchpad.classlink.com/beaufort	Academic Without Computer Académico sin Computadora (enVision Materials sent home with students. Materiales de enVision enviados a casa con los estudiantes.)	Social Social
IXL	enVision Standards Practice Workbook	Building using Measuring Tools Construcción usando herramientas de medición
Reflex Math	enVision Additional Practice Workbook	Cooking Using Measurements Cocinar usando medidas
I-Ready	Summer Bridge Workbook (For purchase at Walmart/Target)	Math Games (Juegos)- Monopoly, Cherry-O, Connect 4...



Tips to Beat the Summer Slide

Bring along a book

- Whenever you leave the house, bring a book with you.

Read to earn screen time

- 20 minutes of reading = 20 minutes of screen time
- 1 book = 1 game or show

Read together

- Read aloud to your child- in any language!
- Listen to your child read

Turn on closed captioning

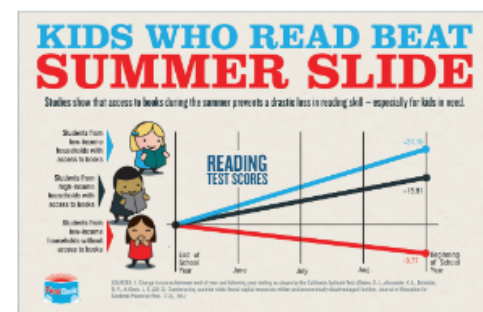
- Increasing print exposure through the use of captions can add many hours of reading practice and literacy skill development (Koskinen et al., 1993; Kathari et al., 2004).

Have fun with words!

- Activities such as Bananagrams, Boggle, Word Searches, Crossword Puzzles, and Mad Libs all practice valuable literacy skills

Reward reading

- Participate in the Beaufort County Library's summer Reading Game
- Set weekly reading goals, then celebrate success with a fun family activity or special treat





IB & Curriculum

Student Council Luncheon



Congratulations to our May classroom perfect attendance winners!

WINNER

1st Grade – Stinson
2nd Grade – Llewellyn
3rd Grade – Perry
4th Grade – Forman
5th Grade – Swann



Congratulations to our April and May character education winners!



April: Forgiveness

1st Grade: Logan Gonsalves – Stinson
2nd Grade: Ruben Anderson – Sexton
3rd Grade: Ava Letka – Wommack
4th Grade: Victoria Klacsan – Fernandez
5th Grade: Ava Bilhimer – Harshman

May: Responsibility & Cooperation

1st Grade: Lilly Peterson – Sturman
2nd Grade: Jeff Ramirez Olivo – Urys
3rd Grade: Karemy Mercado Velasco – Andrews
4th Grade: Keegan Spargur – Ford/Wu
5th Grade: Kaileigh Saldana-Trejo – Harshman



CHINESE

Students continued to learn Pinyin initials, Chinese words, and phrases. They were introduced to Qingming festival (Chinese Day of the Dead) and a famous Qingming poem. Most students also did Chinese activities. 5th graders read and talked about pandas. 4th graders learned about Chinese endangered animals. 3rd graders did a weather report with a Chinese weather word. 2nd graders learned about camouflage. 1st graders learned about Pandas' five senses and adaptations. Furthermore, students were introduced to some Chinese scenery and Chinese food. 5th grade Immersion

Chinese students practiced Chinese speaking, spelling, and Ping-Pong. Mrs. Lope's students are exposed to Chinese pinyin, Chinese numbers, and culture through songs and movement.



ART

Greetings from the art room!

Our IB artists have been very busy wrapping up projects to finish out the year. First and second graders surprised their teachers with booklets of portraits from each student. Third graders experimented with "illusion" by creating OP art pieces. 4th graders created large murals that they then turned into animal face collages. And finally, 5th graders created self portraits as they reflected on their time here at HHIE.

We were able to welcome a group of newly identified GT arts students to our arts program, and we look forward to providing exciting experiences next school year. Our framed art fundraiser was also a big success, and a big thank you goes out to every family who participated.



MUSIC

We did it! What a great year I have had with all our amazing Otters! We had over 90 students perform for our Family Arts night, 5th graders sang for promotion and 3rd and 4th grade were able to attend the Link Up Concert sponsored by the HHSO.

Students in 5th grade wrapped up the year by creating original commercials featuring music they composed in class. 4th grade worked hard on recorders and exploring other instruments of the orchestra. 3rd grade learned the basics of recorder and about reading musical notes. 1st and 2nd grade learned about percussion instruments and how they can change the feeling of music. Have a great summer and keep on singing Otters!



Hola!

SPANISH ESPAÑOL

What an exciting year! We expanded our Spanish vocabulary acquisition while learning about multiculturalism. Our learners set goals and reflected on their progress in using language for enjoyment, enrichment, or advancement. This class gives the learners a lifelong skill that allows them to use the language both within and beyond the classroom.

☆☆¡Dímelo en español!☆☆

Sra. Flores





PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Physical Education

We have had an awesome 4th quarter in Physical Education class! Students have had opportunities to practice basketball skills, target games, parachute (1st & 2nd grade) and kickball. Additionally this quarter all students participated in the 1st ever HHIE Fun Run! We loved seeing our otters active during the school day!

We would like to recognize the Physical Education Students of the month during the 4th quarter!

April: Hayden Brinker- 2nd grade
May: Beau Bush-1st Grade

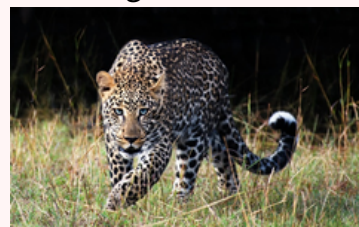


Mrs. Davis
& Mr. Murphy



STEM

STEM Lab was a logical place this last quarter as all students were taught how to play chess. The 1st graders continued learning about plants, and natural resources. The 2nd graders learned about the water cycle and the 3 states of matter. The 3rd graders worked with environments and learned about fossils and dinosaurs. 4th grade continued working with plants and had a big review in preparation for their SCReady Science test. 5th graders continued studying about outer space and our solar system. They finished the year learning about the states of matter including conservation of matter.

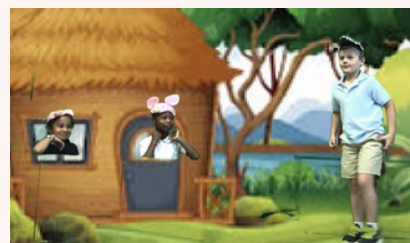


Have a great summer and keep being curious about the world around you!



STUDIO

It has been a great year in Studio. We traveled all over the world in our imaginations.



Ms. Frazier's SIPPS students are wrapping up a semester of learning and applying phonics to improve reading. Students have made noticeable gains in their reading skills. Our SIPPS program includes plenty of vocabulary support for our ML students. We hope to start this successful program from the first days of school next year.

Ms. Danzell continues to provide push-in support and newcomer pullout for first through third grade students. Newcomer MLP students are showing growth by asking and answering questions in English as their vocabulary grows. Ms. Danzell looks forward to working with MLP students during Summer Reading Camp in June.

Ms. Krimm's 4th Grade MLP students worked on a 'Wacky Weather' flip book that coincided with their Science unit on Weather. Students learned about hurricanes, earthquakes, tornadoes, blizzards, tsunamis and the destruction they leave behind. They learned about instruments used by meteorologists to measure wind speed, temperature, air pressure and more. Students from Grades 1-3 were supported in the classroom with their grade level units in CKLA, our new reading program.

Ms McIntyre's fourth quarter has been one of excitement and new learning for all the ML students in 1st and 2nd grade. Not only have they learned about American Independence in CKLA, but also learned important information about bees and their habitat on the field trip to the Savannah Bee Farm. Experiencing bees make honey was so amazing!! This was the highlight of this quarter and one that many students will remember for a lifetime.

Students worked hard on their IB PYP Exhibition Action Projects, wrapped up SC Ready, IReady, and MAP testing for the spring. Each student also completed their IB PYP Portfolios collected from all five years of their growth to share with their families. What a treasure to be able to see their growth over their five year journey with us at HHIES. Our 5th grade Multi Language Learners have grown so much over these five years. We are so proud of them and wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

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Summer Access
Students can log in like they do at school from any device

Family Directions
...from a Personal Device

ELEMENTARY STUDENTS

Los estudiantes pueden iniciar sesión como lo hacen en la escuela desde cualquier dispositivo

ClassLink

DreamBox i-Ready Learning A-Z Ignite IXL

Cómo seguir usando los programas educativos desde un dispositivo personal



NURSE'S CORNER

It's been a great year as we have transitioned away from COVID protocols and back to a more "normal" way of doing things. As we close out this year and look toward next school year:

- If your student currently has medication at school, please pick it up before noon on **June 6th** or it will be discarded.



If your student will need medication at school next year, remember to have your provider **complete a new order form dated after July 1st**. Medication must be in the original container with a pharmacy label. Only adults can bring in medication. Students are not allowed to have medication.



- If your student will need additional Immunizations before school starts, don't wait, schedule an appointment now.



- When completing registration in Power School, be sure to include any medical conditions your child may have.

I've enjoyed being the nurse here at HHI for the past 3 ½ years. I'm a little sad to say I will not be here to see your delightful children next year. Don't worry though, HHI Elementary is getting a wonderful new nurse.