

Hillsboro Intermediate October 20, 2023 Insight

This week of school at H.I.S. has been amazing! It was so good to see all of our students smiling faces! Our teachers and students have been busy working hard every day at H.I.S.! High expectations have been communicated and are still being set for our students to strive for excellence daily. Our students are already exceeding those expectations every day!

Upcoming Events

Red Ribbon Week! 10/23- Red Out Day 10/24- Hero Day 10/25- Workout Day 10/26- College Shirt & Fire Drill 10/27- Eagle Spirit



Attendance Summary

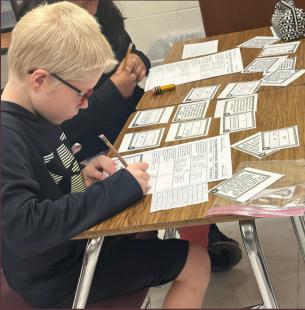
Total Enrollment: 444 4th 153 5th:146 6th: 145 Attendance 96.62%



Academics 4th Grade

Our mathematicians continued working on story problems, using strip diagrams as a strategy. These problems can contain any of the four operations; add, subtract, multiply, and or divide.

Our scientists continued investigating what insulators and conductors are and how they work.



5th Grade



Students have reviewed how to write an Extended Constructed Response together as a class. In our class novel, "Took", Erica has vanished and our students are eager to see where she has gone and if she has really been "Took" like the old folk tales say. We are starting to wrap up our unit about Colonial America. Students have discussed the physical characteristics of each of the early colonies. In Science, students have been learning about Circuits and studying how electrical energy flows through conductors and is blocked by insulators. Math has moved on to expanded notation and rounding of decimals! An assessment was taken on Thursday to review what we have done last week and this week!

6th Grade

This week we are studying Latin America! We just finished our Hispanic heritage month project and are excited to learn even more about Latin America's cultures, economy, history, and politics.



Dyslexia Intervention

Dyslexia students are celebrating Dyslexia Awareness Month. Students are working hard in the Reading by Design program. Each meeting students work on phonological awareness; alphabet skills; reviewing sounds previously learned while constantly adding new ones; reading practice; handwriting practice; and spelling practice.

Specials

We have started our football unit this week, first learning how to throw a spiral and catch properly.





P.E.

Spanish

With the new group of students this week we are going over classroom procedures.

Art

Artists at HIS learned how to create a washable marker print with plastic and water. Check out their art on Artsonia! <u>https://www.artsonia.com/schools/school.</u> <u>asp?id=47315</u>



Band

This week band students have been working on expanding their range. Flutes learning their upper register fingerings, clarinets learning their register key notes, andsaxes their octave key notes.

Music





This is the last week of Music class for the first nine weeks so we have been having lots of fun! After continuing on the Ukuleles and Pianos, we celebrated the evolution of dance and for a grand finale, students went outside to play and explore the musical sounds of nature.

Tech

Hello 4th and 5th graders. So glad to see you. This is their 1st time in Computer Lab for the 2nd 9 weeks. They are learning lab rules, expectations. Computer basics, procedures, keyboarding and reviewing computer parts and technology vocabulary. 6th graders have 3 more weeks with me and will continue to improve their keyboarding skills. They are also learning to use Google Draw and creating Halloween Cakes.





Library

It is now the 4th week of the 2nd grading period and only a week away from Red Ribbon Week! Our students are still enjoying our winning Read Alouds. 4th Grade-Texas Bluebonnet Winner, The Ghost of Fossil Glen by Cynthia DeFelice. 5th Grade-Texas Bluebonnet Winner, A Dog Called Kitty by Bill Wallace. 6th Grade-The Christopher Award & ALA Notable Book, Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt. Happy Reading!