

Hillsboro Intermediate December 15, 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

12/18- Snowman Day 12/19- Holiday Headgear 12/20- Grinch Day- Wear Green 12/21- Pajama Day Early Release 12:05



<u> Attendance Summary</u>

Total Enrollment: 439

4th 150

5th:145

6th: 144

Attendance 97.5%

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Academics

4th Grade

Our mathematicians spent the week sharpening their skills of data analysis. They practiced reading stem and leaf plots, frequency tables, and dot plots.
Our Scientists continued to learn about renewable and nonrenewable resources.
Our 4th graders also showed off their skills on all of their CBAs.



5th Grade

We have completed our CBA #3, which will be the last one for this semester! The year is flying by quickly! We are also in the middle of our novel, "A Boy Called Christmas", and have enjoyed learning about Nikolas traveling to rescue his father, encounter some danger, meet new friends, and learn about the magic of his nickname "Christmas" along the way. We have wrapped up our CBA for this unit which covered The American Revolution and The Constitution. Students now have a better understanding of what it means to have Life, Liberty, and The Pursuit of Happiness. We completed our last Math CBA of the first semester this week! We are continuing math studies with topics in geometry as we learn to classify 2-d shapes based on their attributes and properties and begin to work on converting customary and metric units of measure.



In ELA this week, students and teachers have worked very hard preparing for our next CBA. Students analyzed songs and quotes for "theme". They read a short story called "Fish Cheeks" and analyzed it for tone and mood. We can't wait to rock this CBA!



Academics 4th Grade Math Resource

4th Grade Math students understand how to add and subtract decimals with and without regrouping and will understand how to add and subtract fractions with common denominators.

5th Grade RLA Resource

5th grade ELAR resource has been practicing reading comprehension and writing letters to friends and family. We want to thank others for all they do and wish them a Merry Christmas! For Math resource, we have been practicing classifying 2D figures as well as keeping our multiplication and subtraction skills sharp!



Specials



PE

We are continuing in our basketball unit, learning how to shoot lay-ups as well as incorporating fun Christmas activities!

Spanish

This week students worked on Duolingo and Rockalingua.



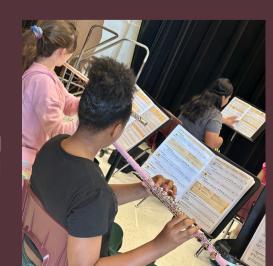
ART

4th and 5th grade artists finished up projects for their portfolio. 6th graders glazed their clay mugs and will get to take them home next week!

https://www.artsonia.com/schools/school.asp?id=47315

Band

HIS Beginning band enjoyed a successful concert and students are now working on improving fundamental skills. All instruments are working to extend their range and learning more complex rhythm patterns. Flutes and Saxes are also learning vibrato.





Music

With Christmas approaching, students have enjoyed caroling a new song every day. Now, we are exploring unfamiliar instruments such as the Ukulele.

Tech

4th Graders We are doing better with our keyboarding, but still need a lot of practice.

5th Graders We will be making sure all of our projects are finished and have been turned in.

6th Graders We have been working on keyboarding and there has been improvement, but still need to learn where the keys are located.





Library

The 3rd grading period is about to end. Students are anxiously selecting Christmas materials. Some of their favorites areThe Night Before Christmas, in Texas, That Is by Leon Harris and Santa's Favorite Story: Santa Tells the Story of the First Christmas by Hisako Aoki.

Our students are enjoying our winning Read Alouds.

4th Grade-Texas Bluebonnet Winner, The Ghost of Fossil Glen Chapter 17 by Cynthia DeFelice.
5th Grade-Texas Bluebonnet Winner, A Dog Called Kitty by Bill Wallace. December 14 will be the last chapter. What will happen to Kitty?
6th Grade-The Christopher Award & ALA Notable

Tuck Everlasting Chapter 18 by Natalie Babbitt.
Happy Reading!