



# Hillsboro Intermediate Insight

January 26, 2024

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

1/30- Kona Ice

2/5- 6th Grade Field Trip

2/6- 5th Grade Field Trip

2/9 5th Grade STAAR Field Test

## Attendance Summary

Total Enrollment: 439

4th 148

5th: 145

6th: 144

Attendance 94.05%

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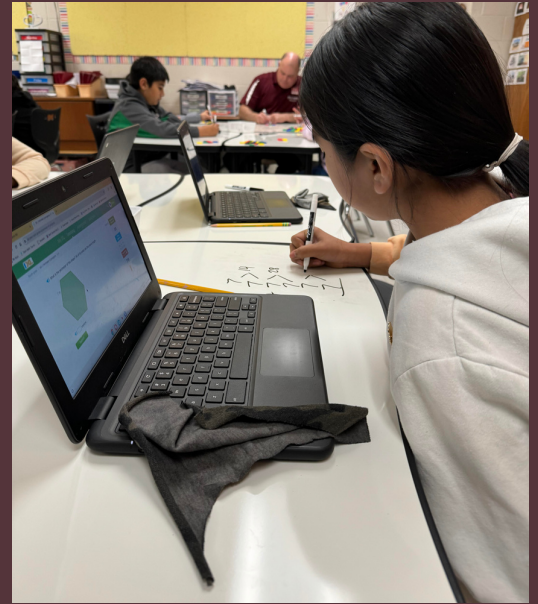
# Academics

## 4th Grade

Our mathematicians learned how to add, subtract, and convert customary and metric units of measurement. On Friday, they showed their knowledge on a partner quiz covering this information,

Our readers took their Reading Star assessments to analyze their reading level growth for the middle of the year. Students read a short non fiction story and worked on their retelling skills as well as identifying figurative language within a text.

Our historians discovered the problems facing Texas as a new republic, and how agriculture, enterprise and immigration played a major role in Texas' development as a nation.



## 5th Grade

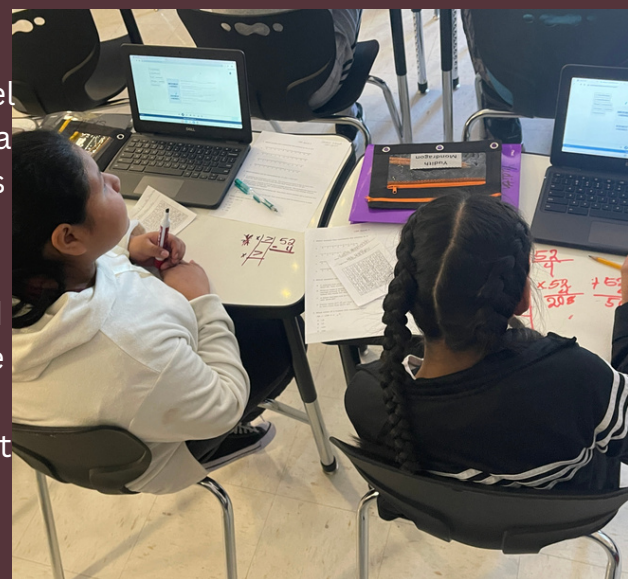
Students have enjoyed reading information texts about "Exploring the Wild West". The students have also become pioneers and begun writing an argumentative essay explaining whether their groups would rather live in the peaceful settlement of Harmony Hills or the bustling boomtown of Boot Hill. Students have been discussing Westward Expansion and are leading into discussions about the Civil War. Students in Science have enjoyed learning about the water cycle and creating exciting presentations. We set up a mini Science Fair and enjoyed having other students walk through visiting the presentations. Visitors got a chance to "quiz" the students on their projects by selecting a random question and asking the 5th Grade Scientists as they visited. In Math, students are learning about representations of data by creating input/output tables based on a rule expressed as an equation. We are then creating ordered pairs to graph on a coordinate grid.



## 6th Grade

6th grade readers and writers are currently reading the novel A Long Walk to Water. It's a very interesting novel based on a real person's life. They are utilizing their skills and strategies throughout the novel.

This month in Social Studies we are studying Southeast and East Asia. While studying the culture of this area we learned about how the Asian culture has diffused to other areas. We have also learned about important structures/facts about China such as the Great Wall of China. We also learned about the first emperor of China's Terracotta Army. We will continue this next week learning about the history of this area, politics of this area, and the economy.



# Specials

## PE

We are finishing up our basketball unit with a school-wide Tournament!



## Spanish

This week students worked Duolingo to advance in the lessons. Students also worked as a class on High Frequency verbs on Rockalingua.



## ART

4th grade artists are learning how to draw a farm with one point perspective and 6th grade drew a city from a bird's eye view.

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



## Music

It's Boomwahcker time and the music students are loving it! These durable, color coded pipes are a fool proof way to make music while having fun.



## Tech

**4th Grade** - We are almost 100% putting in our passwords. We have learned a lot of technology jargon and we are ready to start with our first technology skill, Google Docs.

**5th Grade** - Making a great attempt with our TypeTastic program. Working on keyboarding skills, home row keys, finger placement, and typing goals

**6th Grade** - Reviewing skills of Google Docs and Google Slides. With Google Docs, you can create and edit text documents. With Google Slides you can create and present presentations.

**Tech-Sports** - Well it has been a lot of hard work and now that we have it all together, we will begin our Friday video for all of our classes.

**Yearbook** - Yearbooks go on sale this week and will be on sale until March 26th



## Library

The 4th grading period began January 9th and will end February 16th.

Very busy week with Renaissance Place STAR Reading & Math Assessments, and also iReady Assessments and Mr. Math Campus Visit.

Our students are enjoying our winning Read Alouds. 4th Grade-Texas Bluebonnet Winner, *The Ghost of Fossil Glen* Chapter 19 by Cynthia DeFelice "Will Allie solve the mystery?"

5th Grade-Texas Bluebonnet Winner, *Wait Till Helen Comes* Chapter 3 by Mary Downing Hahn. "Why did mom and Dave purchase a church in the country?"

6th Grade-The Christopher Award & ALA Notable Book, *Tuck Everlasting* Chapter 20 by Natalie Babbitt. "What will happen to Mae?"