



THE HOKE FAMILY HUB

Elementary Curriculum & Instruction
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 **Celebrate Read Across America Week: March 3-7, 2025!** 

Dear Parents,

We are thrilled to announce Read Across America Week, taking place from March 3-7, 2025! This exciting week promotes the joy of reading and highlights the importance of literacy for all students. Be on the lookout for activities from your child's school to celebrate.

How You Can Get Involved:

- **Read Together:** Set aside some extra time to read with your child during the week—whether it's a bedtime story or a new chapter book!
- **Donate Books:** Have gently used children's books? We're accepting donations to help build our classroom libraries.
- **Volunteer:** Reach out to your child's school to see how you can help. We'd love your help!

Let's make Read Across America Week a fun, inspiring, and educational experience for all our students.

Upcoming Events

March 3rd-7th – Read Across America Week

March 13th – Quarter 4 Begins

March 14th – Mandatory Workday

March 19th – Report Cards Released

March 22nd – Prek/Kindergarten Registration Event

Parent Tip #5

After experiencing a very cold February with freezing temperatures, many of us are looking forward to the change in seasons. The good news is the first day of spring is March 20th and daylight saving time begins March 9th when we move clocks forward one hour. The change in seasons will bring us warmer temperatures and more daylight hours. It also brings us new ways to spend time with our children.

Spring provides us with natural activities that we can use to have fun and teach our children. During springtime, the landscape changes colors, and new growth is seen on trees and plants. The weather changes to more warmth, wind, and rain. Insects begin to appear and baby animals are born. All these new changes provide families with an opportunity to teach children a variety of concepts around spring.

MATH MATTERS

by Dustin Best

Get ready to sham-rock and roll with math this March! We're combining the excitement of St. Patrick's Day with a "March Mathness" twist, bringing fun and engaging math activities to all our K-5 students.

Bring the Math Madness home with these activities:

1. "Shape Leprechaun": A fun St. Patrick's Day math graphing craft with 2D shapes.
2. "Tournament of Sums": Have your child throw balls into baskets, record the numbers, and then find the sum or product, arrange from smallest number to largest, and round numbers. The possibilities are endless! You can collect game materials from a dollar store.
3. "St. Patrick's Day Number Puzzle": Try a tricky number puzzle, like sudoku.

We're excited to see your child discover the magic of math this March!



READING CORNER

BY WANDA USSERY

Reading 101



What do educators and families need to know about how children learn to read? Here you can explore reading "basics" — from oral language to comprehension — as well as the key role of background knowledge and motivation in becoming a lifelong reader and learner. You'll also find our PBS Launching Young Readers series and a self-paced Reading 101 course.

<https://www.readingrockets.org/reading-101>



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<https://wonderopolis.org/>



SCIENCE SPOTLIGHT

*DREAM IT, TEST IT, PROVE IT—MAKE SCIENCE
YOUR SUPERPOWER!*



March into Science Madness!

March isn't just about basketball—it's the perfect time for young scientists to explore the science of motion, wind power, and weather patterns! From dribbling a basketball to flying a kite, science is in action everywhere!

Try this activity! Have students build and test their own kites to explore aerodynamics and wind energy. Challenge them to predict how different designs will fly based on shape and material!

March Madness Science Challenge: Investigate the physics of basketball! How does force, gravity, and motion affect a shot? Try timing how long a ball bounces before stopping or experimenting with different surfaces to see how it impacts motion.

Rainbow Science: Teach students about light refraction by creating a rainbow using a glass of water, a mirror, and a flashlight. Shine the light through the water onto the mirror, and watch a rainbow appear! This is a great way to explain how sunlight bends to form rainbows after a storm.

BONUS CHALLENGE: Start a "Signs of Spring" Nature Journal where students document changes in weather, plants, and animal activity.



MULTI-TIERED SYSTEM OF SUPPORT FOR YOUR WHOLE CHILD

BY: LORETTA KIMBLE

PARENT-TEACHER PARTNERSHIPS: THE THREE C'S

COMMUNICATION

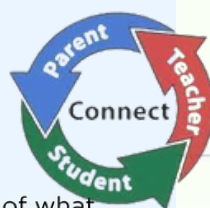
Frequent, two-way communication is important to stay apprised of what is happening at school, and to let teachers know important things about your child.

CONSISTENCY

Creating routines and providing consistent opportunities to enhance your child's learning at home reinforces the notion that you and his teacher are working together to support him.

COLLABORATION

A collaborative, cooperative partnership involves planning and problem-solving to develop specific, positive strategies to help children achieve to their highest potential.



10 Ways Parents Can Support Teachers

1. Stay in Contact
2. Create Smooth Transition
3. Donate School Supplies
4. Be Patient
5. Donate Lunch to Teacher(s)
6. Show Respect
7. Be Involved
8. Support Schools Rules/Procedures
9. Engage in Student's Learning
10. Be a Role Model

Pot of **GOLD** Behaviors: Building Positive Habits at Home and School

BY SHEQUETA HARRIS



Positive behavior isn't just luck—it's built through practice, encouragement, and consistency. Here are some ways you can help your child develop these golden habits at home:

1. **Follow the Rainbow Rules:** Just like a rainbow has clear colors, clear expectations help children understand what's expected of them.
2. **Catch the Leprechaun's Good Choices:** Notice and praise your child when they make positive choices. Positive reinforcement encourages them to keep it up!
3. **Turn Mistakes into Gold:** When mistakes happen, use them as teachable moments. Help your child reflect on what they could do differently next time and practice problem-solving together.

PEEK AT PRE-K

BY ANNETTE FERNANDEZ



Friendship Fruit Salad: Quantifies

Why It's Important

Grocery shopping, counting fruit, and mixing ingredients can teach your child a lot about math and reasoning skills. This activity will support your child's growing ability to use numbers as they count individual items for the salad.

Click on this [link](#) for a list of materials and instructions.



INDIAN EDUCATION TUTORING- LUMBEE TRIBE- PROJECT INDIGECHOICE



Requirements:

- **MUST** reside in Robeson, Hoke, Scotland, or Cumberland County
- **MUST** have a 506# OR Tribal Enrollment #

Grades: **K-12**

Subjects: **Math, Science OR Reading/English**

Need help creating an account?

IEA Parent Committee Meeting

YOU are Invited

April 14, 2025

6:00 PM

PD Room

**Upstairs Turlington
116 W. Prospect Ave.**













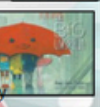




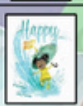















Click on the calendar and follow the link to find a read aloud for each day of the month that focuses on the National Day!



March

NATIONAL DAY CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31						1 Peanut Butter Lover's Day 
2 Read Across America Day 	3 Anthem Day 	4 Marching Music Day 	5 Cheese Doodle Day 	6 Dress Day 	7 Be Heard Day 	8 International Women's Day 
9 Meatball Day 	10 Pack Your Lunch Day 	11 Johnny Appleseed Day 	12 Plant a Flower Day 	13 Open an Umbrella Indoors Day 	14 Learn About Butterflies 	15 Everything you think is wrong Day 
16 National Panda Day 	17 St. Patrick's Day 	18 Act Happy Day 	19 National Let's Laugh Day 	20 Cherry Blossom Day 	21 National Count down Day 	22 National Goof Off Day 
23 National Puppy Day 	24 Stephanie Day 	25 Newburg Day 	26 Purple Day 	27 Scribble Day 	28 Something on a Stick Day 	29 Vietnam War Veterans Day 
30 National Pencil Day 	31 Crayon Day 					



RESOURCES FOR PARENTS

- HOKE COUNTY LITERACY RESOURCES [GOOGLE SITE \(CLICK HERE\)](#).
- [NCDPI PARENT CONTENT SUPPORT GUIDES \(GRADES K-12\)](#).
- [I-READY PARENT CENTER](#)
- [HOKE COUNTY SCHOOLS: CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION](#)