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# Herman Ave. Hawk News



MARCH 2018

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

# MARCH EVENTS

3/2- Book & Breakfast - Gr. K@ 9:00-9:30 a.m.; Gr. 5 @ 10:00-10:30 a.m.

3/9- Book and Breakfast- Gr. 3 @ 8:55-9:25a.m.; Gr. 1 @ 10:00-10:30 a.m.

3/13- SOAR into Learning Event 5:30-6:30 p.m. Dinner to follow from 6:30-7:00 p.m.

3/14- PTO Meeting @ 4:00 p.m. in Library.

3/15 -Book and Breakfast- Gr. 6 @ 9:00-9:30a.m.

3/16- STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

3/17- Champions for Life 5:30-7:30 p.m.

3/23 Book & Breakfast- Grade 4 @ 9:00-9:30 a.m. ; Grade 2 @ 10:00-10:30 a.m.

3/26 ECHOES - Gr. 6 @ AJHS - 9:30-10:30 a.m. 3/30 NO SCHOOL- GOOD FRIDAY



Dear Families,

I hope you all enjoyed a great break! Our custodians worked hard to clean the school and have it shining like new for the kids return!

This is a perfect time of year to remind the students how to S.O.A.R. in our school. The kids are doing a great job at earning "Gotcha's" in class, in the cafeteria, and in the hallways. Also, the homerooms can earn "Eggs" from the Related Arts teachers and the lunch monitors. Please ask your kids about how they are SOARing and what they have earned recently.

We have many events happening during the month of March, and we hope you can join us! Our next S.O.A.R. into Learning Night on Tuesday, March 13. We also have "Book and Breakfast" scheduled for all the grades throughout the month. Please join us!

Thank you for your support of our building, staff, and students.

Respectfully,

Mr. Dennis C. Taylor, Acting Principal







Students from Herman Ave. participated in the district cupstacking competition on February 14th at Seward Elementary School. The Herman PE teachers and students would like to thank the PTO for supplying team shirts for the cupstacking team. Participating students were Kadyn Blaisdell, Grace Hoey, Dominick Currier, Aurora Sitterly, Owen Birchard, Madelyn Shutter, Connor Lansbury, Gavin Hickey, Gracie Hahn, Lucy Chapman, Olivia Leader, Ella Noble, Skylar Macknail, Elisabeth Lentini, Brooklyn Kopec, Rebecca Pesarchick, Payton Hickey, Madisyn Edersheim, Bryce Blaisdell, Eric Barski, Jack Burns, Jazmine Simmons, Peyton Maneri, Adalyn Bouley, Marisa Gabak, Shelby Boles, Kelsie Jasniewski, Mariah Costello, and Sophia Soprano.

#### Below are the students that placed in the competition:

**1st place in 3-3-3 Relay:** Jack Burns, Jazmine Simmons, Peyton Maneri, Olivia Leader, Adalyn Bouley, Marisa Gabak, Shelby Boles, Kelsie Jasniewski, Mariah Costello, and Sophia Soprano

**2nd place in 6-6 Relay:** Kadyn Blaisdell, Grace Hoey, Dominick Currier, Aurora Sitterly, Owen Birchard, Madelyn Shutter, Connor Lansbury, Gavin Hickey, Gracie Hahn, Lucy Chapman

**2nd place in 3-6-3 Relay:** Olivia Leader, Ella Noble, Skylar Macknail, Elisabeth Lentini, Brooklyn Kopec, Rebecca Pesarchick, Payton Hickey, Madisyn Edersheim, Bryce Blaisdell, Eric Barski

Ella Noble- 2nd place in 1-10-1 event

Dominick Currier- 3rd place in 1-10-1 event

Aurora Sitterly - 3rd place in 6-6 event

Lucy Chapman - 5th place in 6-6 event

Shelby Boles and Kelsie Jasniewski- 2nd place in 3-3-3 partner event











### **Classroom News**



#### **100th Day Celebration!**

Kindergarten students at Herman Ave. celebrated the 100th day of school. Shown are students in Mrs. Siddall's class enjoying the exciting day!



### **Science Observations**





Fifth grade students in Ms. Sobus' science classes had the amazing experience to examine and observe a real cow's respiratory system while studying the respiratory system in class. Students were given the opportunity to examine the parts of the cow's different body systems including the lungs and the various parts that they have been learning about. Students could be heard exclaiming, "wow", "awesome" and "this is so cool"!



## Happenings in Art



Fourth grade art students are learning about Polar Bears and how to draw them. Students observed a slideshow presentation and wrote in their notes facts about polar bears. Afterwards, students were challenged to write Ms. Rice a quiz using as many questions with complete sentences as they could. The top 3 students in each fourth grade class with the most questions would then challenge Ms. Rice to take their quiz! See picture of the 9 fourth graders that won <a href="The Polar Bear Quiz Challenge">The Polar Bear Quiz Challenge</a>! Great job to all fourth graders! Please look and ask fourth graders about the endangered species the Polar Bear they are learning about.

From back row (l to r): Riheem 13, Jeeya 30, Brooke 20, Ellie 9 Front row (l to r): Marissa 15, Macayla 15, Brittany 33, Sophia 13 not pictured: Skyler 28



Students in K-2 library classes used Bee-Bots recently to solve challenges and work together. Students practiced their coding skills while working together to program the Bee-Bots in order to solve challenges presented to them. Students loved working with these small robots and are looking forward to using them again!



Students in Mrs. Naples' and Mrs. Engle's Kindergarten class participated in a videoconference with a second grade class from the Albany School District. Both classes read <u>The Mitten</u> by Jan Brett and engaged in activities with one another during the videoconference in relation to the book.



The library is looking forward to our author visit from poet, Kalli Dakos on April 6th. Students will be learning about her work this month in preparation for her visit. Students will also be learning about the Caldecott medal and participating in our own Mock Caldecott Contest at Herman Ave.







### **PTO Corner**

March is here! It will be spring before we know it!



We hope you had a great time at the CRUNCH game, and thank you for all your continued support of our events and fundraisers!

This spring, we can look forward to the book fair, book and breakfast events, and so much more!

Don't forget your box tops! Box tops can be turned in to your child's teacher or deposited in the container outside of the main office.

Would you like to take on a more active role in your child's school experience? Consider joining the PTO. The PTO works to raise funds for special events such as field trips, activity day, and so much more. We hope to see you there!



### **Fun in February**

Students in all of the classes enjoyed Valentine's Day parties with snacks and activities. Thank you to the PTO and parent volunteers in all classes for making it such a fun day for the students!







