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A Monthly Insight into the *ONE OF A KIND* things happening at Heritage!

Heritage Headlines

Upcoming events >>>

MARCH

- 1– Literacy Week**
- 4– Virtual Conference Night**
- 8– NO SCHOOL**
- 15-19 SPRING BREAK!!**
- 23– Book Fair Starts**
- 25– PTA Board Mtg 5:30pm**
- 29– Book Fair Ends**

APRIL

- 1– Spring Picture Day**
- 2– NO SCHOOL**

Students will be released at 12:55pm every Monday.

A Message from our AP:

Hello Heritage Families,

Your children and our faculty and staff have been working harder than ever this year. All students in grades 2nd through 5th have participated in mid-year tests for Reading, Writing, and Math. These assessments are helping us paint the picture for how each child is progressing academically. Conference night is approaching (March 4th). This would be a great time to ask how your child is doing in class. Ask about strengths and areas of focus. We are striving to help each child make academic progress towards grade level mastery of the Florida Standards. It will take us all to make up for time lost and to close academic gaps.

Students in Kindergarten and First grade have been working with SIPPS instruction. SIPPS is a phonics curriculum that is used daily to help students gain foundational reading skills. All Kindergarten and First grade students have also recently taken the latest round of Iready assessments. This is a great time to inquire as to your child's growth for this school year and to ask how to make the most of the remaining school year.

It might be hard to comprehend, but we are looking at just over three months of school left before summer time is upon us. We want to use the time we have to make the greatest impact. Another way that families can help us keep the momentum going is by doing a few small things. First, please help students keep up with having fresh masks and using them properly. This makes a vast difference for us with regards to safety in the current climate. Secondly, it is time for a supply check. If you can restock simple classroom items, it will help keep things going. As a father of a middle and high schooler, I am in the same boat of needing to restock certain items like pencils, crayons, and other items. Lastly, please talk with your children daily about how things are going, whether an eLearning student or a face to face student. Should you have any concerns, please reach out to your child's teacher. The challenges presented by this year have been unlike anything most of us have ever faced. From social and emotional challenges and all the way to a uniquely different set of social circumstances, it is easy to get lost. Conversations and feedback are opportunities to face these challenges together.

We (Mrs. Booth and I) thank you for all you do. As compared to the duck who floats on the water, we are all on top of the surface, churning our legs to stay afloat. The struggle is there for everyone. We all can't see what is under the surface, but we know the challenges are there. We are here working together to not only survive, but to thrive. Thanks for your help in keeping our students, faculty, staff, and yourselves afloat.

Mr. Alvarez / Mrs. Booth

ELL NEWS:

Mrs. Coello and I are working hard in order to complete all of the ELL annual language testing. We are on track to finish by spring break! I know our Elearning students and families are anxious to have Mrs. Coello back supporting via Zoom. Mrs. Coello will be in contact with teachers and families once she is able to resume her Zoom schedule.

I will be holding our spring PLC meeting on Thursday, March 4th at 6:30 and again on Friday, March 5th at 9:00. Next week, I will be sending home an invitation with the Zoom link for the meeting. I will be sharing some information about how to help your child at home. This is also a great time to ask any questions you may have about the ELL program.

I am excited to share a new resource available to all ELL families. I have created a Padlet that contains valuable information and resources. You can access the Padlet by scanning the QR code or entering the link below into either Chrome or Edge browsers. Please be sure to check back frequently for new additions to the Padlet. I hope you find this resource valuable.

<https://padlet.com/laurakorte/f9zd35nrj03om4rh>



Mrs. Korte



At Heritage we...



Help
Each student
Reach their
Individual
Talents
And
Goals
Everyday

through high expectations, teamwork, respect, and the celebration of our diversity.

FAMILY NIGHT



Support our Heritage PTA!!

Every Monday in March

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

9am—9pm



March 15th to March 19th

Students return to school

March 22nd

