

Wider Horizons School

Remember your jacket on these cold days...



DATES TO REMEMBER

- 2/9 Science Fair (Half Day)
- 2/12-16 Spirit Week
- 2/19 President's Day- no school

WEATHER OR OTHER EMERGENCY- FOLLOW HERNANDO COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

When a situation arises where public schools are closed or closing for half day we follow their guidelines. Half days end at 12noon.

Please be sure you have an emergency person who can always pick up your child if you are unable.

We will post on Facebook and send Emails when possible as well when school is interrupted.

PRESCHOOLERS BACK AT WORK



Learning to read words

Writing sentences



Learning place value to the Thousands And Understanding Bigger numbers



SPEAKING CLEARLY, TRUTHFULLY, AND CORRECTLY IS NECESSARY FOR A VIRTUOUS NATION
By Domenick J. Maglio Ph.D.
This above virtue has been lost!

The "spin," lying masters have taken over our government. Vice President Kamala Harris, Claudine Gay, President of Harvard; Presidential Spokesperson, Jean-Pierre, Secretary Mayorkas, and notably, President Biden have developed a verbal art form for deceiving the public. They speak words that make no sense distorting the truth and telling outright lies to justify their dubious actions. The entire "woke agenda" is undermining our traditional US culture.

This process of asserting a new, "woke" counterculture into the minds of American citizens is a huge, daunting task. It can only be accomplished with the aid of the mass media, corporate giants, the education system, and psychological thought control strategy. The success of these babbling leaders in intellectual positions are weakening our ability to discriminate who is authentic and who is a fraud.

Ex-president of Harvard University, Claudine Gay, was exposed as a long-term plagiarist and liar. Her antics demonstrated the lack of our educational integrity and shows the decay of our educational system from the top down. Added to this are the recent revelations of our public-school administrations, teachers, and school boards not doing a viable job of maintaining local educational institutions to inculcate traditional logical thinking that can decipher truth from blatant propaganda.

Continued on last page

PRESCHOOL

Mrs. Bermudez

In the preschool classroom we continued our discussions on the Arctic Circle, Antarctica, and the animals that live there. At the art table the children are making various Valentine and Winter crafts.

During math the children had lessons with the teen board. The purpose of the teen board is to help to develop a true understanding of how these numbers are formed from a ten and a unit. The two wooden boards have 9 number slots of 10 and the child counts up sliding the wooden digit cards 1 to 9 into these slots to make the teen numbers. Others are using the small number rods, the snake game, and the strip board to add and subtract numbers.

For Language we played a game involving sounding out words and the students had a lesson with the moveable alphabet again. The purpose of the moveable alphabet is to prepare children for writing, reading, and spelling. The child's use of the material progresses from single words, to phrases, and eventually to stories. In this way, the moveable alphabet teaches children how to symbolize their own thoughts, and begin to write.

During Music the children are learning nursery rhymes and Valentine songs.

PRIMARY

Miss Finnerty and Ms Wallace

Welcome back from the long weekend! Even with a short week, the primary students managed to get a lot done. Each student has taken a spelling test and worked hard to get their math and language done.

This week, students received lessons on gallon measurements and how many quarts, pints, and cups you would find in a gallon. Students made thank you cards for soldiers that will be sent out over the weekend. We believe it is very important to honor those who serve and make sacrifices so that we may live freely. We talked about soldiers, police officers, and firefighters being our everyday heroes.

In science, students were introduced to the frog life cycle. In Geography, students continue to learn about Antarctica. In art, students made penguins.

Congratulations to Manny for passing the addition facts 1-10 .Congratulations to Yvnicka and Gideon for moving up in their times tables.

LOWER ELEMENTARY

Ms. Urbanek and Mr. Garrand

Congratulations to Michael, Mark, Nova, Alexander, and Stefan for moving up in their times tables. Congratulations to Michael and Mark for mastering subtraction 11-20.

This week in math, the students have had a lesson on measurement using their gallon bot.

In language, second graders are learning about nouns and articles and some are learning about compound words. Third graders are learning about prefix, suffix, and contractions.

Students have a book report diorama due next week as well as a states test. The students are learning about fun facts about each of the 50 states.

Science Expo topics were due today. If a topic was not turned in today, it needs to be in by Monday at the latest so another child does not take the same topic. Thank you!

In spelling, the students worked on packets. New spelling words went out on Friday and the students will have a definitions test on the 26th.

Lower Elementary students and their groundhog art projects.



UPPER ELEMENTARY

Mrs. Gutierrez, Ms. Bandini,
Ms Russell

We hope the students enjoyed their long weekend for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Students should continue to research for their Science Expo proposals. Due to the Science Expo, the book report due January 30th has been moved to February 15th.

Fourth graders were given extension work on object and subject pronouns, where they learned how to differentiate the two. In geography, students were given their Map Skills workbook and learned about hemispheres, latitude, longitude, the equator, and the prime meridian. The class is reading Winn Dixie for their next book report, which will be due on February 15th.

The 5th graders are learning about collective nouns in language. They are also working on Lesson 16 in their spelling books. The children have also chosen their topics for the Science Expo which is February 9th. They are excited to begin gathering the information they need to have a successful presentation.

Sixth graders are extending their lesson on possessive nouns by learning to distinguish joint possessive nouns, which show ownership of one object by two or more people, and separate possessive nouns which indicate individual ownership. In Physical Science, sixth

graders are delving into radioactivity and exploring alpha, beta, and gamma rays. It is fascinating to understand the properties and behaviors of these different types of radiation.

JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL

Mrs. Youse, Mrs. Sanchez, Ms. Wheeler

We hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend and got some much needed rest. This week, the students turned in their Science Expo materials and procedure. Next due date for Science Expo is January 26th. They will need to hand in their results and conclusion. We recommend the students do their experiments over the weekend so they are well prepared on the day of the Science Expo.

Seventh graders are copying and drawing their own water cycle in Earth Science. In eighth grade Life Science, the students are studying plants. During their lab, they will learn that cookies cannot be made without plant based products. They will be making chocolate chip cookies. In American history, ninth graders have finished a project where they work together to make their own countries. They have created their own demographics, economy, statistics, and national history. They made posters and presented them to the class.

High School students took the CLT-10 practice test this week. The official test will take place in April.

IN CASE OF A STORM OR
STATE OF EMERGENCY
WHERE THERE IS NO POWER -
SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED
UNTIL POWER IS RESTORED

AFTER SCHOOL

Ms. Brewer / Ms Wallace

This week during circle time, we discussed the topic of Martin Luther King Jr. and what he stood for. MLK fought for equal rights for all people regardless of their skin color. He also fought to have the freedom to dream and the courage to live their dreams.

This week on the playground, the children participated in games such as Hide-and-Seek, Red Light-Green Light, and they pretended to be on a bus with one driver that the rest of the children had to follow.

Once inside, some students worked on their homework while others played with puzzles and other activities of their choice.

Have a safe and fun filled weekend!

Parents please do not enter the after school classrooms. Please knock and your child will be sent out once they have cleaned up any activities they were using. Thank you for your cooperation.

Continued from front page

Secretary Mayorkas, the person in charge of our southern border has had the audacity on numerous occasions that the southern border between Mexico and the US is totally controlled by the federal government and is closed. He said this with a straight face when day after day the American public watches the illegal immigrants with assistance of the cartels crossing our border. Yet Mayorkas still states there is no border crisis as people from all over the world just walk into the United States without minimal screening.

For a substantial time Hunter Biden, the son of the president of the USA, personal laptop computer became a hot topic on the news. At first it was described as Russian disinformation. The more segments of videos from the laptop reached the media, it became obvious that it indeed belongs to Hunter Biden, His personal life was exposed to the public as chaotic and decadent.

VP Kamala Harris has developed what others call her “word salad” that keeps everyone scratching their heads as to what she actually was saying about President Biden’s policies. The White House press secretary Jean—Pierre’s incredible double speak has confounded most professional political analysts. This has meant that the Biden administration usually cannot be held accountable for what they have said and done since it is rarely clear what they are saying. This is especially true when President Biden speaks to US citizens. His words are often slurred. He stops in the middle of a thought or totally forgets the point he is making, shakes hands with the air and at times just walks off the stage in a stupor.

The most egregious habit President Biden has is to slip false facts to justify the point he is attempting to make. The president and his advisors have stated that we are in better economic shape than the previous administration when the evidence is overwhelming that the opposite is true. The mainstream media does not refute his distortions and outright lies of what is actually happening as they are “woke Marxists” who want to transform America into more dependent citizens who blindly follow government dictates.

When a free and honest press speaks clearly, truthfully, and directly to voting citizens to inform them our system can maintain a stable, peaceful, and productive society. When our press does not communicate the truth, our citizens cannot make credible choices. Without the truth the best lying politicians will control and dominate an uninformed, naive citizenship.

Too many great Americans have sacrificed too much to lose this great nation to crooked, selfish politicians who deserve to spend the rest of their lives behind bars. Instead, these phony spokespeople at the top leadership positions in government who refuse to say the obvious truth: that the United States is in serious disarray.

Domenick Maglio, PhD. is a columnist carried by various newspapers and blogs, an author of several books and owner/director of Wider Horizons School, a college prep program. Dr. Maglio is an author of weekly newspaper articles, INVASION WITHIN and the latest book entitled, IN CHARGE PARENTING In a PC World. You can see many of Dr. Maglio’s articles at www.drmaglioblogspot.com.