

# Wider Horizons School

Our Students can Play sports on Public School Teams

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

**3/10 Report Cards go home**

3/30 Class Photos

4/7-4/10 Easter break (Return 4/11)

4/11-14 IOWA Testing

5/1-5 Teacher Appreciation Week

(5/5 **FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE**)

## WHAT IS FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE?

For the first time in three years WHS will be able to perform our annual school performance **FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE** at Springstead Theater on May 5th at 7pm.

This well attended event includes every student who attends WHS. The younger students have whole class songs or short plays. Upper classes put on skits, songs and other types of entertainment. The show lasts about 90 minutes.

Tickets will go on sale next month: adults \$15 and children \$5. More information will go home later.

## SPORTS OUTSIDE OF WHS

For many years students attending private schools can play sports at a nearby public school if they make the team.

Jaydan Marques, a senior, has played soccer at Springstead High School for the past two years.

Ninth graders, Reagan Wilkie has played baseball for Nature Coast and Sylvia Hatfield plays volleyball for Nature Coast too.

Michael McGrogan played football this year with Springstead High School.



## WHO IS IN CHARGE OF OUR CHILDREN'S MINDS, THE WOKE GOVERNMENT OR PARENTS?

By Domenick J. Maglio PhD.

Just a few years ago American citizens would proudly announce that parents are responsible for raising their children. Biblical scriptures have been inspirational in creating successful and law-abiding civilizations. There was no question who was in charge of children in the USA. The answer was self-evident, parents had a biological connection and raised their own children. The only exception was children being taken by totalitarian governments, most recently communist ones.

It was shocking to hear teachers, administrators, journalists, and union heads testifying at school board meetings that they, not parents should have the power to educate students as they see fit. In other words, woke communism will be taught to US children regardless of the views and rights of parents.

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Sports also take place in school as well! The children usually play a variation of sports during recess.



## PRESCHOOL

Mrs. Bermudez and Ms. Wallace

This week in preschool, the students learned about land formations: lake, island, peninsula, bay, strait, and isthmus. We assess a set of Land and Water forms in the Geography area that will help the children identify each of the land formations. At the art table, the students are making a book on these formations and spring/Easter craft.

During language we introduced new sound work. The students are also working on their penmanship, reading skills, and sounds. With all of their studies and Friday Night Live rehearsals, they are happy and excited that all of their hard work will soon pay off. We will be sending a notice about what your child needs to wear for Friday Night Live very soon.

At the Science area, all of the work was switched with new work. We added four new areas with butterflies, frogs, ladybugs, and flower materials. We continued to learn about chicks and their life cycle.

Congratulations to Eli, he was our handwriting contest winner last week! Also, congratulations to Jacob, who was our annual Spelling Bee winner!

Next week is our Game Night! Preschoolers can wear what ever they like and they can bring a game from home. We will provide food, snacks and games. Hope to see you there!

Have a great weekend!

## PRIMARY

Mrs. Youse and Ms. Lundmark

We began our week with the Spelling Bee Competition. Colton won the Spelling Bee for the kindergarteners and moved on to compete with the first graders. Brent won for the First Graders and he went on to compete with the second graders. We are proud of all the students for trying their best. We would like to welcome our new student, Cora, to the classroom.

The following students have been working hard and memorizing their addition facts to ten: Bella, Mark, and Donovan; Jace and Chad moved up a level in the multiplication facts and Colton and Christian completed all the series reading books and began reading the GPS comprehension cards.

With Easter right around the corner, the children wrote a story and illustrated it. They drew a bunny by tracing their hands, they painted a rabbit and a chick, and composed and illustrate a Chinquain Poem as well.

All the students have been working on memorizing their math facts (addition, subtraction, multiplication). We ask that the children practice at home as well. Knowing their facts will help them as they progress through their academic careers.

Next Thursday is our Spring Fling Game Night! The children can bring a change of clothes in a bag with their name on it so they can change if they chose to do so.

There will be no newsletter next week. We wish everyone a happy and safe Easter break.

STUDENT EDITOR

YANNEISY FERRER

## LOWER ELEMENTARY

Mrs. Urbanek and Mr. Garrand

Congratulations to Ethan for having a perfect reading sheet last week! Congratulations to Anna, Samuel, Ellena, Hadley, Dixie, Victoria, Javier, Siyanna, Jax, Ethan, Xiaver and Gwyneth for having perfect reading sheets this week!

In spelling the students worked in their spelling packets and went over the definitions verbally.

In math the students will continue to learn rounding, this week it was rounding to the nearest 1000's. They also had a lesson on clocks 1/2 hour.

The students continue to work from the tower, where as some are doing extensions of work and review.

In geography the students worked on weather, clouds, landforms, wetlands, and water forms. When they finished all four of our landforms they will start creating some of their own land forms with salt dough.

In history the students continued to work on needs of man. The students have several extensions on this work that they will be able to start upon completion of their work.

In science students continued to work on leaves, plants, stems, and roots. This week the students learned about different plants and examined the type of roots.

Notices for the "Spring Fling Game Night" Went home today.

We have a short week next week. There will not be a newsletter.

Have a good weekend!

## UPPER ELEMENTARY

Mrs. Gutierrez, Ms. Bandini, Mrs. Poole

As we mentioned last week, Upper Elementary has begun their practice for the IOWA Basic Skills Test. The practice tests gave the students a glimpse of what to expect once they begin the actual tests. A review of the rules for punctuating and capitalizing was also given.

Our annual Spelling Bee started on Tuesday when Zain, the third grade champion challenged our fourth graders. Ty'Li and Janie were neck and neck, but at the end Ty'Li prevailed and went on to compete. David won and was also the sixth grade Spelling Bee winner. Congratulations to all the winners! David won for the fifth grade and beat all the sixth graders as well.

Fourth graders completed work on spelling a vocabulary, and re-wrote a composition on a topic of their own choosing. For the next book report, students chose a book from the Narnia series written by author C.S. Lewis. Work continues on mathematics as well. Students learned about the average, mean, median, mode, and the range of lists of numbers and how to take two part word problems with fractions. To wrap up the Zoology unit on Annelids, fourth graders made a dirt cake complete with Oreos and chocolate pudding to make "dirt" and gummy worms and served it to all the upper elementary students on Friday.

This week in fifth grade, students practiced for the IOWA Basic Skills Test. This familiarized students with the exam format. In language, students went through exercises on prefixes and suffixes. In botany, students were placed into groups and assigned one of Florida's iconic trees. Students will work throughout this week and next week on this research project. In geography, students had a review on volcanoes in preparation for their exam this week.

Sixth graders were introduced to the four strike cycle, the diesel

engine, and cooling and heating systems this week in Physical Science. In language they are learning to properly punctuate dialogue and will be tested at the end of the unit. Sixth grade is also learning about reference materials.

Next week, there will be no newsletter. We hope you have a great weekend and a great Easter break!

## JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mrs. Parks, Ms. Sanchez, and Miss Finnerty

We started this busy week off with a bang, and welcomed Ryan Kiely from the K9 unit in Pasco county. He spoke to our class about the work his unit does and how the K9 officers are a part of the team. He spoke about respect and not be ingafraid of the police. We enjoyed his presentation, and would like to thank him for sharing his insight and time.

On Wednesday, students participated in Technology Day. The students that participated shared their projects with the class and did a wonderful job. We always love seeing what they come up with.

Junior high has begun preparations for the IOWA test. They are receiving review in each subject matter and test taking tips. as a refresher before testing begins on April 11th.

We would like to congratulate 6th grader Haley DeLaures on completing 6th grade math, and moving up to Math 8/7. Also congratulations to 9th grader Madison Toll for completing Algebra I and moving on to Algebra 2 and freshmen David Khaidov and Reagan Wilkie for completing Algebra 2 and are moving on to Advanced Math!

Have a great weekend!

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

During circle time, we read a book about a young boy named Paul that moved with his family to a new town. For his birthday, he only wanted a soccer ball. As soon as he got the soccer ball, he realized that he was bad at kicking it with his feet and it was not much fun playing ball all by himself, so he decided to ask his mom to play with him because they were new in town and Paul did not have any friends yet. His mom told him to go outside and find someone to be his friend. Poor Paul, he asked six different boys and girls to play with him and they all told him "no". Paul was getting discouraged and all of a sudden he heard someone saying, "Hello, do you want me to play with you?" Paul now has a friend and he was so excited that he went and invited all the boys and girls that told him "no" to join the game. The children were happy to hear that Paul finally had not just one but lots of friends. **Friendship and teamwork is very important.**

On the playground, some of the children were playing the game red light, green light, others were very busy trying to catch baby grasshoppers (it was funny watching them run all over the playground). Others sang and danced to Ring Around the Rosie, while others played in the sandbox. Once inside, the children were painting and working on some Easter crafts. Once they were done with their crafts, they all wanted to work with new puzzles.

Have a nice weekend!



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In the past several years some teachers stood up in school board meetings saying that teachers were more important and responsible than parents to decide on the values that should be taught to their students because they had higher education. This was an extraordinarily shocking statement announced in a publicly televised forum. The teachers, their unions, and school boards announced outright communist concepts that they had the right to determine what should be taught. This was not a mistake where radical teachers that had gone awry, but one backed fully by the education bureaucracy and many of our communist politicians. New Mexico School Boards Association Trainer, Andrew Sanchez, said. "Parental rights end when you decide to send your kids to public school.

There was strong negative parental reaction to these school board directives where the government education bureaucracy should be in charge of what is being taught to students. Some of the protesting parents have been attacked and arrested as well as being investigated by the FBI and DOJ. The government is going to war with the US citizens' right to parent their own children. These parents reiterating their rights have been labeled domestic terrorists.

It appears at this time in US history, parents seem to have little to no rights as to what should be taught to their children. This should send chills down the spine of every God loving American. If the governmental teachers' power supersedes parental power, we are entering a direct woke communist takeover of the minds and souls of our children. We, the citizens of the United States cannot ignore this in-your-face disregard of parental rights. The American Federation of Teachers president, Randi Weingarten, reposted a [Washington Post article](#) titled, "Parents claim they have the right to shape their kids' school curriculum. They don't."

State indoctrination and propaganda openly practiced in our school systems needs to be confronted by all citizens, politically oriented left or right. This direct challenge to parental rights means if we accept the dominance of the state through the educational system, we are openly accepting a totalitarian country that rules everything from the top down. This will indicate Americans have become sheeple giving up our own children to the state authorities. This means our US constitutions is not worth fighting for even for our children. We have no rightful excuse for accepting the woke brainwashing concepts placed into our children's thinking. We can no longer use the argument that we are so busy making and spending money that we can no longer raise righteous citizens.

If parents relinquish their basic responsibility of instilling traditional values in our loved ones, we deserve to live in a repressive government with only government dictates. We cannot continue to turn the other cheek. Our children's minds and values are more than worth our time and energy. Fight now or lose all our Biblical rights of living a free, Godly life.

As insane as it sounds, pedophiles have been fighting for years for adults to have the right to have "consensual sex" with youngsters. There is no reasonable argument for pedophilia to be legalized in the US. It is a destructive act that has no benefits for any child. In other words, we sink further into evil once we start to sacrifice our children's bodies as well as minds. There is no end to the depths of hell children will face if parents ignore their parenting responsibility. We will lose everything that makes us free.

Allowing the educational bureaucracy to take away the rights of parents to love and educate their own children according to traditional values and teachings is like using a hydrogen bomb on the sanctity of the family in the United States. This is a declaration of war against the citizen's rights and liberties of every American. A woke communist agenda has been adopted in our educational system. We have no right to claim ignorance because we have been informed.

By allowing government to usher in a totalitarian communist existence it will mean our citizens have accepted a death warrant for America. This take over is not being slow walked. It is happening at warp speed. We need to unite quickly or lose all our freedoms. Our children are our destiny.

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