



# The Hornet

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**VISION:** To help all students develop skills, concepts, attitudes, and values which enable them to be successful members of society.

**MISSION:** Looking toward our children's future with challenging learning experiences that will lead to success.



## CALENDAR

- November 25<sup>th</sup>  
Interim Reports Issued
- November 27-29  
Thanksgiving Holiday  
No School
- December 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Satellite Beach Feeder  
Chain Concert @ SHS, 6pm

- December 3<sup>rd</sup>  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade Field Trip
- December 4<sup>th</sup>  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade Winter Program
- December 5<sup>th</sup>  
Kindergarten Field Trip
- December 6<sup>th</sup>  
Sweets with Santa, 5-8 pm
- December 5<sup>th</sup>  
Winter Concert 6:00 pm

## Holland Science and STEM



Holland scholars have been busy learning in Mrs. Harris' classroom, both before and after school! First and second graders explored cow bones during their human body studies recently. Our STEM/LEGO Robotics Team worked on planning and building robots with Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Lee, and Mrs. Chang. Our 6<sup>th</sup> Grade CodeWorks Coding Team is getting started as well. We **LOVE** science, technology, engineering, and math at Holland!



Our sincerest thanks go to Holland dad, **Mr. Dougherty**, who built a bass and cello rack in support of our music program! Thank you to dad, **Mr. Campbell**, as well, who donated materials AND built the LEGO table for our Lego Robotics Team! We cannot express our GRATITUDE enough for the generosity and support provided by our amazing Holland families!



# SCHOOL NEWS

We extend a sincere  
**THANK YOU!**

Thank you to our incredibly generous Holland families and community members who supported the Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough Fundraiser! Sales were *outstanding!* 😊

Congratulations to the students who earned the prize party which will take place on **Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>**.



## Welcome To Our **TEAM**

Holland is thrilled to welcome **Ms. Sandy McDonald** to First Grade and the Holland Team! She is an experienced primary teacher and we are excited that she has joined our instructional staff.

We are equally as thrilled to welcome **Ms. Pamela McCormick**, our current Instructional Coach, to the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Team! Ms. McCormick is returning to her passion in working directly with students, and we are excited for our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and teachers!



## TREATS FOR OUR TROOPS

Military troops overseas are away from their families and friends protecting our country and our right to be free during this holiday season. Student Council is showing our support and love by sending them boxes of goodies. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated. Below is a list of items that I know will sure be a hit to those men and women in uniform.

Items to donate, but are not limited to:

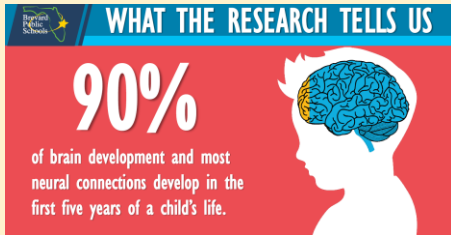
- Oreo cookies or any boxed cookies
- Crossword puzzles
- Word problems
- Peppermints
- Granola bars
- Pens
- Games
- Candy of all kinds



There will be a drop-off box in the main hallway by the media center. All items will be collected on Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>.

# SCHOOL NEWS

## Early Literacy Corner



### Early Literacy: Getting Ready To Read

Babies are born able to process language. In the early years, they become increasingly aware of the language we use and start to use it themselves. Reading, talking and singing with them helps to build their understanding of the language they'll come to use themselves. Reading in particular helps them understand how text works and positions them to increase their language and literacy skills throughout their lives. This early phase, before children are conventional readers is called the Early Literacy Phase.

### What are Early Literacy Skills?

Children learn many important things during the early literacy phase. They:

- Build vocabulary
- Learn how our language works and use it to tell stories, share ideas and ask questions
- Learn how to handle and use books as well as learning about different types of books like stories, fact books, poetry, cookbooks, etc.
- Begin to write through drawing and scribbling
- Play with the sounds of language through songs, rhymes and tongue twisters
- Build their knowledge of the world around them
- Understand letter-sound connections
- Develop a love of literacy (reading and writing)

### [Babies, Toddlers and Early Reading \(video\)](#)

Babies begin to learn the skills they need for reading and writing from the everyday interactions they have with the trusted adults in their life. Learn how talking, having conversations, singing, and even coloring help prepare your child for success!

## STAYING Well

Flu season is once again upon us and we want all of our students *and* adults to stay well! Washing hands frequently is one of the best ways to avoid spreading germs and keep from getting sick during flu season and all year long. Additionally, keeping sick students home or staying home yourself when you are not well, is another way to prevent the spread of illnesses. Flu shots are also a good option to consider. As always, good sleep habits, nutritious meals, and daily exercise are habits that keep us all in optimal health. We look forward to a healthy season ahead!



## HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

**NO SCHOOL Wednesday – Friday, November 27-29**



Please stop by the LOST AND FOUND closet at the front of the A Wing hallway to pick up lost jackets, lunch boxes, etc.



## WINTER BREAK

**Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> –  
Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>**

# SCHOOL NEWS

## Think Like a SCIENTIST

### Science Fair ...

*The following are five easy ways to strengthen the scientific quality and competitiveness of your science project:*

#### Think, Do, and Report in Metric

Scientists use the metric system. Learn about the metric system. Make all measurements with metric tools. Report results on tables, graphs and in written discussions in metric units!

#### Keep a Detailed Log

Scientists keep careful, detailed records of activities and findings. Use a notebook or a booklet to write down everything you've done on your project each day. Go into detail!

#### Construct and Display Data Tables

Scientists share their results. Data tables should be constructed neatly and posted on the display board. Present your data clearly.

#### Include Graphs of the Results

Scientists analyze data. Many elementary Science display boards are missing important graph results.

#### Repeat the Experimentation as Much as Possible

Scientists replicate, replicate, and replicate! Conclusions are more convincing if the results can be reproduced over and over again.

Science Fair Boards and Headings are available from Mr. Joyce for \$3.50 cash.



**November  
Character Trait:  
GRATITUDE**



### Science Fair Projects Due

**January 17, 2020**

All 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade science projects are due on January 17<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing all of Holland scientists' outstanding work!



### The holidays are here!

We invite you to join us for an exciting evening filled with holiday music, sweets to enjoy, fun with family/friends and a special visit from Santa!

The excitement takes place Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 8:00 pm.

Tickets for the evening include delicious sweets, hot cocoa, craft stations, selfie photo ops, and lots of fun activities and games. The bidding for Holland's annual basket auction will open Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> and run throughout the event with winners announced at 7:30 pm. (Winners do not need to be present at Sweets with Santa to win!)

Please fill out the form that went home this week and return it with payment no later than Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>.

Your event tickets will be sent home with your child by Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.