

Educational Horizons Charter School 1281 S Wickham Rd. W Melbourne, FL 32904 pto@educationalhorizons.net

## PTO Meeting – January 9th, 2024 6:30 pm

Dress Down passes will be given to families who attend the meeting. Volunteer hours earned for attending. Please record in the book under your family name. Childcare may be available if we have a registered volunteer.

Welcome - Julia Place Co-President

Focus: State testing

**Minutes** - Tanesha Wilson and Trish Symister. They will be kept in the office, uploaded to webpage, and a copy sent home with the next newsletter.

**Treasurers Report –** Diana Hernandez and Cristina Wright balance: \$10,687.49 What project do we want to work on this school year? Deposit still pending for year book

## Vice President's report - Alicia Savela

- Morning Mile- Continues on Tuesdays and Thursdays morning 8:00 to 8:30 has been going very well with great turn out for volunteers. Charms will be issued this Thursday January 11th. Registered volunteers can Sign up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E44ABAD23A1FCC25-educational
- **Lego Club** on Wednesdays (see flier)- upcoming club to be led by Kelly Platt. Open to students K-6. Starts January 31<sup>st</sup> to May 15<sup>th</sup>. It begins right after school. We would like to have VPK participate but unfortunately only parent volunteers can have their children present. Volunteers are welcomed for club day and prep work. Volunteers for the club must be registered volunteers. Pick up must be promptly at 4:15PM.
- Glee and Recorder Club on Mondays (flier with January email)- Starts on January 22<sup>nd</sup> and the costs \$10 for participation- to rent recorders and purchase T-shirts. Kids will present to parents at the end of the year to showcase what was learned during Glee club.
- **Spring Fling** for March 21<sup>st</sup> at Defy. We are still in the planning stages but parents can prepare to have children come and jump. It is an open event, so neighbors and family members are welcomed. Parents encouraged to use the voucher that will be handed out when making purchases so that the school can get credit. Our school will be given a percentage of the sales for that night.
- **Note from Daily Bread** Organization wanted to thank school for the donations. PTO VP read the thank you note. They were very thankful for all the donations.
- **Jog-a-thon** Feb 16<sup>th</sup>-The aim of the event is to fund the walk way cover and a river walk path. River rocks will be sent home to be decorated and returned to create the path. Rocks can be led on President's Day. The rock garden theme will be based on the "Only One You" book.

## Principal's report - Cheryl Turner

 Officer Appreciation Day – Children and parents were encouraged to send in notes of thanks and snacks for the WMLE officers



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• **State testing** - Grades 3-6 will be testing on January 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Third Grade is a promotion year. Also, there is a risk for retention in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade if PM3 scores are below benchmarks. improved. Grades 4-6 has a writing exam in April. The test will be on the computer and they will be given writing prompts. Capitalization, Punctuation, and Complex sentences will be an emphasized.

- Class pictures Wednesday Children instructed to wear uniforms grades K-6 Preschool and VPK dress for comfort
- Spirit Day Friday, led by Grades 5&6- Focus is on countries around the World
- **Field trips Grade 3-6** Grades 3-5 will see Charlotte's Web at King's Center and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade goes to Kennedy Space Center
- Science Fair January 18<sup>th</sup>- Email has been sent out to judges. All experiments have been submitted. Volunteers are still needed if you know anyone with a Science or Math background.
- Campus clean up Saturday, Jan 20<sup>th</sup> 8-11. Parents and Families looking for volunteer hours encouraged to come help with the school campus clean up.
- **Tours** National Choice week 1/22-1/26. Tours will be given to parents with interest to enroll their child/children into Country Day and EHCS.
- **Literacy week 1/22-1/26-** Week long activities throughout the school to bring awareness to benefits of reading and learning. Barnes and Noble night will be on 1/25 at 5pm-7pm. All grades will have a performance supporting the theme "Children around the world"
- Welcome Jenn to CDAY- We received a resignation from a CDAY staff, so interviews
  were undergoing over the break. We ask for patience with children in this transitional
  period. In the interim Jenn has agreed return as on a temporary basis to assist for the
  remainder of the school year or until we find a replacement.
- **Health and Wellness** We can start thinking about the presentations for this end of year event. If anyone has any connection with any organization in the heath and wellness field, please se if they would assist.

## Teacher's Report -

- Kindergarten: Learning about Antarctica, winter animals, and addition
- 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades- Starting Life Science, learning about math measurements, adding problems, shapes, the different types of matter, and parts of America.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Getting prepared for FAST testing, learning about novel studies, fractions, text structure, and ecosystems
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Working on Science their projects They are working on fractions and learning about the Seminole Indians
- 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grades- Working on Science their projects and getting ready for spirit day

**Concerns and Comments: No new concerns orcomments**