

Educational Horizons Charter School

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February 2026 Newsletter

Principal's Message

Dear Families,

As February begins, we're reminded of the power of love and kindness. Dr. Maria Montessori said, "Children will imitate us in any case. Let us treat them, therefore, with all the kindness with which we would wish to develop in them."

Random Acts of Kindness Week is February 14–20. This is a perfect time to model intentional kindness. At Educational Horizons, we know that when we show empathy and respect, our children learn to do the same. Simple acts, like a smile, a compliment, holding a door, or offering help, instill these values and create positive ripples.

Let's make February a month where kindness becomes the norm in our school. Share your stories of kindness with us—perhaps through our classroom kindness jars, school bulletin board, or by emailing the office. Together, we can show our children that compassion has the power to brighten lives and build stronger communities.

Sincerely,

Mr. Paul Galloway

Principal

Cold and Flu Season

Reminder: We are still in a very busy cold and flu season so help minimize exposure by washing your hands, covering your coughs and following the handbook guidelines on fevers and illnesses. We appreciate everyone's extra effort to keep our school safe and healthy.

Important Dates

Feb 2 - KG Critter Club

Feb 3 - 5th Grade Field Trip
Brevard Symphony Orchestra

Feb 5 - Vision & Hearing
Screenings

Feb 6 - Spirit Day, Rooms 6 & 2
Grades 3 & 4

Feb 6 - Applications for the
2026-27 year are due.

Feb 10 - PTO Meeting from
6:30-8:00pm

Feb 13 - Progress Report #2
are issued.

Feb 16 - Presidents Day / No
School for Students / Teacher
Workday

Teacher Lunch is provided by
Room 7 Grades 1 & 2 families

Feb 20 - Jog-a-thon

Volunteer & Staff lunch will be
provided by Room 4,
KG families

Feb 25 - Craft Club with Mrs.
Parker / 5th grade

Feb 26 - 6th Grade Field Trip
Kennedy Space Center



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PTO News

Join us for our February PTO meeting and review the minutes from the January meeting in the email. Simply by being part of our school you are a member of our PTO. Bring your ideas, questions, and energy! **February 10th at 6:30pm**. Need a volunteer opportunity to reach your 10 hours? Our PTO board is always looking for Volunteers to assist with the remainder of the 2025-26 school year. If you are interested, please submit your name to any one of our PTO members or contact Mr. Galloway.

Field Trips

Our Grade 5 students will attend the **Brevard Symphony Orchestra** on Tuesday, **February 3rd**. They will be treated to fine music and entertainment at the Maxwell King Center.

Our Grade 6 students will take a field trip to **Kennedy Space Center** on **February 26th**, where they will explore exhibits of rockets, spacecraft and technology both past and present.

Registration

Registration for the 2026-2027 school year has begun! The initial forms need to be turned in to the Front Office by the close of business day on **February 6th**. New families have been touring our campus and will be invited to join our school family once we know the availability for each grade level. In April, you will receive your student(s) registration packet with Focus re-enrollment instructions to be completed before you leave for the summer. If your student is not returning for the 2026-2027 term, kindly let Eileen in the Front Office know about enrollment planning.

Sixth grade families, please let the Office know which middle school your student will be enrolling in for the 2026-27 term so student records and Focus can be updated.



Kindergarten Critter Club

On Monday, **February 2nd at 7:45am**, Critter Club is diving into aquatic animals! Students are learning about animals that live in oceans, lakes, and ponds through fun, hands-on activities. We'll play Go Fish, explore a sensory bin with aquatic animal figurines, and create a fish tank craft to take home. Learning is full of fun and creativity as we explore life under the water!

Progress Reports

Second Progress Reports will be issued on **February 13th**. At this time, we will be looking at attendance, adequate achievement, and placement for next year. Parents can call the office to set up a conference with your child's teacher.

President's Day

There is no school for students on Monday, **February 16th** but it is a teacher workday. Every year each of the classrooms take a turn hosting lunch for our teachers, as well as earn their volunteer hours. **Room 7** will host the lunch and their families can sign up using the link in Mrs. Chartier's February newsletter.

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Science Fair News

The Science and Engineering Fair for grades 4-6 was on **January 23rd**.

The judges were very impressed with our scientists. Those earning a 1st place ribbon will move on to the next level of competition at the Melbourne Square Mall on **February 13th**.



We're so proud of all our students and their hard work!

Jog-a-Thon

Our main Fundraiser for the year is on Friday, **February 20th**. This is a great way to get involved, support PTO activities, and promote healthy choices. Please see the attached pledge sheet and flier explaining our event. Envelopes for pledges will come home soon.

You may also pledge or donate online using this link. Find your child's page by entering their first name and their teacher's name/room number.

Donate: <https://app.99pledges.com/fund/2026EHCSJogathon>

Volunteers are welcome and needed to help on that day.

Coach Kylie will oversee the event and encourage all to do their best.

You can make signs, count laps, hand out sticks, build the balloon arch, donate Amazon cards for class prizes, glue pledge sheets to envelopes, and count money with the treasurer.

Come to the **PTO meeting** or click to volunteer:

<https://bit.ly/EHCSJogathon2026>

Jog-a-Thon dress down passes are given to any student who collects \$25.00 or more. The classroom with the most participation by % will get a prize to be used in their room!

Jog-a-Thon Luncheon

This year, the Volunteer/Teacher luncheon will be provided by our Kindergarten families in Room 4. Families can earn volunteer hours and help us show appreciation to all who helped make this annual event a great one!

Kindergarten families, sign up to bring items for the luncheon:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E44ABAD23A1FCC25-55523307-room>

1st Place Winners moving on to the District Fair

Lincoln R.
Ava E.
Victoria R.
Jameson C.
Matthew H.
Evalynn S.
Lucas E.
Rhyse M.
Zachary L.
Aidan I.

2nd Place Ribbons

Omar M.
William W.
Acres P.
Ja'mia W.
Logan S.
Michael M.
Rahil M.

3rd Place Ribbons

Ethan L.
Dalilah B.
Bali D.
Emilyn I.
Fatima B.
Alexandria R.
Gabriel R.
Chloe C.

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Craft Club with Mrs. Parker

February's Craft Club is for 5th grade! Fifth Graders can join the fun on Wednesday, **February 25th** in Room 1 at 7:45am.

Be on the lookout for more information and volunteer opportunities.

Thank You!

A huge thank you to our Volunteers who attended our **Campus Cleanup** last month. A special thanks to the Naugle, Curtis and Keglovits families and our wonderful PTO. With their help and a generous discount from Lowes, we were able to add lots of mulch to the playground and surrounding areas, trim the trees, and really clean up our campus.

Thank you for volunteering your time and service, we are grateful to you all.



Yearbooks

Yearbooks are available for \$30.00 now and \$35.00 after **March 13th**.

You can send in money to the office or purchase online at

<http://BuyTheYearbook.com>.

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Your Team

Kindergarten

Destiny Lujan, Ye Li, Catia Badiglian

First & Second Grade

Room 8 Heidi Murphy, Lavita Saldanha

Room 7 Sarah Garrett Chartier, Josephine Oliveras

Third & Fourth Grade

Room 6 Christina Caldarola, Kathleen Mastny

Room 2 Jessica Jefferson, Rebecca Schultze

Fifth & Six Grade

Room 1 Lisa Eiben, Michelle Rhodes

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Special & Support Staff

Computer: Kathy Herbert

Physical Education: Kylie Mulholland

Art: Catia Badiglian

Administration

Principal: Paul Galloway

Assistant Principal/ESE: Josephine Parker

Admin Assistant/Student Services: Eileen Needle

Operator: Dr. Erik Thorson

For Questions or Concerns About School Operations

Please contact: **Dr. Erik Thorson, Operator/ Parent Liaison** Call: **321-729-0786**

