From the Principal

Dear Hutchinson Families,

Happy December!! There are only a few weeks left until winter break. The weeks will be busy and time will fly by quickly. There are a couple of things I would like to remind you of as we move through the next few weeks.

First, open enrollment for the 2022-23 school year begins on December 13th. If you know of anyone looking for a school (in any grade level), point them in our direction. Please also remember that Jeffco Connect is retiring and all contact information will be put into Infinite Campus. JeffcoEnroll will still be used to apply for schools. Check the family Jeffco website for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Leigh Anne McKibbin in our office.

Secondly, the Family/School Partnership Survey opened on November 29th. Please take some time to go to tinyurl.com/FSP2021-22 to complete the survey. The survey will close December 21st.

Finally, season's greetings to you and your family, and very best wishes for the New Year. May the Holiday Season bring only happiness and joy to you and your loved ones.

Warmest Wishes,
DeAnn Hoffman
Principal
Upcoming Events

December

7th Kindergarten Information Night 6:00-7:00 pm – Library

7th-8th Holiday Shop (look for volunteer signup on Konstella)

9th Tokyo Joe’s Community Night 4-8:30 pm (see attached flyer) – 25% back to Hutchinson

15th Holiday Concert for 5th, 3rd, and 1st grade students – 6:00 PM – in the gym (* Please note that 4th, 2nd, and Kinder students will have their concert in the spring). (Please be aware that our first choice would be to have the concert with a live audience, however, if COVID guidelines change, we do have a plan b where the concert will videoed for people to watch at home – NO decisions have been made on this yet as we will need to get nearer to the date to know what the guidelines will be – thank you for your patience).

21st Holiday Parties – we will NOT have parents in the room for parties – room parents will be asked to help with supplies and goodies (much like our Halloween Parties), but we are going to keep the parties simple and less crowded – thank you.

22nd Jan 4th – Winter Break
Social-Emotional Learning Newsletter by Julia Henrichs

EMOTIONS

Students have been learning to think with their eyes and look for clues in other’s face and body in order to spot emotions and make smart guesses about how others might be feeling, such as happy, mad, worried, or sad. Students are also learning about how they can “invite other people on their bus” by sharing their passions, staying positive, showing empathy, and offering kindness and compassion.

KINDNESS

A Little Spot of Love by Diane Alber is a fun little book that highlights the many different ways we can invite people on our bus and shower them with the gift of kindness. This book teaches students that it’s more than just gifts, kindness can also come in the form of words, actions, quality time, and affection, making the concept of “the 5 Love Languages” easy and accessible for kids.

I MATTER

If for any reason your child is struggling or needing mental health supports, the Colorado Office of Behavioral Health and their partners are now offering up to three free counseling sessions via a program called, “I Matter.” Seeking support for your child is not a sign of failure, but rather, a sign of strength. Please email elizabeth.owens@state.co.us or visit imattercolorado.org for more information.
WELCOME!
DUNSTAN M.S.
OPEN HOUSE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7TH 6:00-7:30 PM

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A PRESENTATION FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, COUNSELORS, AND MENTAL HEALTH TEAM AND THEN WALK THROUGH OUR CLASSROOMS AND WHOLE SCHOOL. MASKS REQUIRED OF ALL VISITORS.

Earn cash for your school! Save Longmont Dairy Milk Caps.
Longmont Dairy Farm will donate 5¢ per LDF produced product bottle cap. Schools are free to spend these funds as they wish to benefit students.

Sponsorship space in this newsletter is extremely affordable!
Reach parents in your local community & a significant portion of your investment goes back to the school!

Want to sponsor this school? Please contact Rob Mangelson at Rob@tscacolorado.com or (720) 878-4107.
Save the Date

Family Literacy Night is just around the corner! Your whole family is invited to join us on Tuesday, January 25th for a fun night of literacy activities. Some of these awesome and engaging activities will include; hot cocoa, snuggling up with good books, and learning about Colorado history and much more!

PTO News

AMAZON SMILE: This holiday season please consider selecting Hutchison as your AmazonSmile charity and remember to always make your Amazon purchases through https://Smile.Amazon.com. The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate a portion of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile orders to Hutch, at no added cost to you! Visit http://Smile.Amazon.com/ch/84-0718561 and designate ‘Hutchinson Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization,’ (EIN #: 84-0718561) as your charity. Or within the app find ’Settings’ in the main menu (☰ ), tap on ‘AmazonSmile’ and follow the on-screen instructions to turn on AmazonSmile on your phone.

For additional details regarding AmazonSmile and information on other no-cost ongoing fundraising opportunities, please visit the EFFORTLESS FUNDRAISING page at https://hutchinsonpto.org/.

STAFF APPRECIATION: PTO is requesting that one grade level contribute to the staff appreciation fund each month. During the month of December we ask that 2nd Grade families donate money to support our appreciation efforts. All donations go to stocking the staff lounge with goodies to show all those who make Hutch amazing feel appreciated. For information on how to donate, please refer to the Monthly Staff Appreciation Schedule included in this newsletter.

SPRING FLING: We are starting to think about the Spring Fling, which will be a fun community event held in April with food, carnival games, face painting, and more! This year we plan to include a silent auction and are asking for help from our community to obtain donated items and experiences that can be auctioned off, such as sports paraphernalia, gift baskets, tickets, etc. A template of a donation request letter can be downloaded at https://hutchinsonpto.org/. Please reach out to Wendy Heywood at treasurer.hutchinson.pto@gmail.com with questions, or if you have something to donate or need a charitable donation receipt.

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PTO News, continued...

Monthly Staff Appreciation Schedule

Hello Hutchinson Families!

The PTO would like to partner with you to help our teachers/staff feel appreciated on a monthly basis. Each month we will ask one grade level to contribute to the staff appreciation fund. This fund is used to stock the lounge with special treats for our Hutchinson staff.

The contribution amount is a “give what you can” model and there is no pressure on families to participate. Cash or checks (made out to Hutchinson PTO) can be sent to school with your kiddo, or donations can be made electronically via the Zelle app, in which many banks participate. To donate via Zelle, send funds using the name ‘Hutchinson PTO’ and email ‘Treasurer.Hutchinson.PTO@gmail.com’ (please indicate Staff Appreciation in the memo).

If you have any questions please don’t hesitate to reach out to our Teacher Appreciation Committee Coordinator: Sara Roth at mrsararoth@gmail.com.

Be on the lookout for your chance to contribute from the schedule below!
Thank you so much for helping us to make our teachers feel extra appreciated this year!!

-Hutchinson PTO & Teacher Appreciation Committee

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Happy Holidays

Get ready! Our Holiday Shop is coming December 7th-8th

Tokyo Joe's
Healthy - Asian - Grill

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9TH
4:00 PM – 8:30 PM

145 Union Boulevard, Lakewood
Phone: 303-988-1176

25% of your purchases between 4:00–8:30 pm on Thursday, December 9th, will be donated to Hutchinson when you bring in this flyer or simply tell the cashier you’re supporting HUTCHINSON!

We need your support to make this event a success. Please spread the word and tell your family and friends!

We hope to see you at Tokyo Joe’s!
Bear Creek Lacrosse in 2022

For parents looking to expose your players to the fastest growing sport in the country – the Bear Cubs Program is a great way for participants to have fun, develop introductory lacrosse skills, work with the Bear Creek Coaching Staff and meet other “lacrosse families” within your district.

Our coaching staff has decades of experience and the formula to help beginner players gain understanding, improve skill sets and learn more in a short period of time.

The program is well structured, organized and positive – providing opportunities for beginners to become players and making sure that these players get the most out of their experience.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:
• Beginner-level focus structured for novice players (Kindergarten to 6th Grade) • Superior instruction from certified coaching teams led by Program Director Jojo “War Drummer” Mares • Emphasis on fundamentals, training, drills and scrimmage play • Participation awards for improvement, play, sportsmanship and teamwork

Join Bear Creek Lacrosse in 2022 We want you!

To sign up and register, visit www.bcjsalacrosse.com or use the QR Code or link listed below. For any questions, please contact: 720.432.2527.


Hutchinson Presents Play On!

Hutchinson Winter & Spring 2022

Play On! Improv and Acting Games for 1st-5th grades

Join us back on stage as we work on our improvisation and character building skills. We will aim to have a sharing/performance at 3:30 pm on 2/23, however due to the uncertainty of Covid protocols, this will not be set until later.

Grades 1st-5th - Cost $112 - 6 Classes
Meets Wednesdays 3:35 pm - 4:35 pm January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 16, 23

Play On! Fractured Fairy Tales for 1st-5th grades

Join us back on stage as we turn fairy tales into new adventures! We will aim to have a sharing/performance at 3:30 pm on 4/20, however due to the uncertainty of Covid protocols, this will not be set until later.
In the event of school being canceled for any reason, class will meet online.

Grades 1st-5th - Cost $112 - 6 Classes
Meets Wednesdays 3:35 pm - 4:35 pm March 9, 16, 30, April 6, 13, 20 (NO CLASS MARCH 23)

Register by January 15, 2022 for Improv and March 5 for Fairy Tales
1. Complete waiver/registration form at https://forms.gk.none?form=0
2. Pay via link to Homeroom on the website or here:
4. You’ll be notified when class reaches the minimum.
5. No refunds are given with absences or for withdrawing.

Executive Arts LLC, DBA Play On! is a locally owned and operated small business that encourages Denver-area school age children to explore their passion of the arts through individualized enrichment classes and summer camps. These highly collaborative, performing arts programs use a hands-on creative approach that allows for a student to find their voice on the stage and beyond. We value the ability to grow along with our students and are dedicated to continue to provide life-long learning opportunities in the community we have called home for more than 30 years. Play On! is a member of the Denver Arts District Alliance with partnerships across the Metro area, providing quality after-school programs to all youth.
It’s almost time to EnrollJeffco! Enrollment for the 2022-23 school year is open on Monday, December 13th. Enrolling early is great, not only because you can cross it off your to-do list, but it also helps our District prepare for next year’s staffing, budget, student resources, and more.

FOLLOW THESE STEPS TO ENROLL:

1. LEARN ABOUT OUR SCHOOL
   jeffcopublicschools.org/schoolfinder

   With School Finder, you can check out our updated school profile for information about our school, such as contacts, school data, programs offered, and virtual info night details.

2. ENROLL FOR SCHOOL
   enrolljeffco.org

   Beginning December 13th, whether you are returning to us or applying for the first time, EnrollJeffco will provide all the information you need to enroll in Jeffco Public Schools for the 2022-23 school year!

CURRENT STUDENTS:

You can update your contact information in the Infinite Campus Portal. If assistance is needed with usernames and passwords, please utilize the Personal Account Manager.

NEW STUDENTS:

Visit www.enrolljeffco.org to complete all steps of enrollment. You will enter contact information, enroll for school, and all other steps all in one place! Feel free to contact our school directly with any questions.

There will be several email communications throughout the enrollment and registration process. Make sure you continue to check your email!