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Dear Families,

Countdown to the New Year! Welcome to 2023! I hope everyone had a time to relax with family and friends and share holiday joy. Our teachers are cleaning and preparing their rooms on January 4th. Thank you grades 1 & 2, room 7 for providing a lunch. We will welcome back students to both schools on January 5th.

We will change our calendar to reflect the NEW make-up days for Hurricane Nicole. Our students and staff will be here in the classroom on Monday, Feb 20th and Monday, April 24th.

Educational Horizons will receive the annual visit from BPS on January 17th. Country Day for Children will receive their visit from NIPSA on January 31st. If you see guests on the property, please say "Hello" and make them feel welcome.

Let's make the second half of the year productive, safe, and welcoming for our students. We still have a lot of learning and growing to do.

Maria Montessori leads us into the year by reminding us that, "The child who concentrates is immensely happy." (The Absorbent Mind). As we get back into routines, we will look at helping children become independent, resilient, and have stamina. This will be very helpful as they experience more challenging work in the classrooms. We will be beginning our second round of assessments for all students in grades K-6 on January 10th. Our next PTO meeting will look at the some of the reasons for the collection of data.

Wishing everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Cheryl Turner

Principal/Administrator





Campus Clean up,
 Saturday, January 21st 8am to 11am. Please join us with your wheelbarrow and rake to help us spruce up the grounds and weed gardens. If your talents are in cleaning, you can help do windows and clean up our interior spaces. This time spent can count towards your ten volunteer hours. Thank you in advance for helping out. If you would like to RSVP, let the office know you will be there. Children are welcome as long as parents supervise them. Donations of mulch and plants are accepted.

**Teacher in-service day
 January 4th.**

Thank you room 7 for providing a lunch for our team. Sign up is at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0a4eafa92ba4f49-teacher2>
 NO daycare on this day.

**Students will return
 Thursday, January 5th.**

ALL science and engineering fair boards and complete projects are due on this date for grades 4-6. Grades 3 & 4 will kick off the year with a Spirit Day gathering at 9:00 am.

Students in grades PreK to grade 5 have received their initial re-enrollment papers. These need to be returned to Eileen at EHCS by February 10th. At that time, we will know our class sizes and be able to welcome new families. If you are not returning, please let us know and we will help you get records to your new school. Both schools will hold tours for new families January 23rd to 27th @ 10:00 daily. This week is National School Choice Week. Look for the full registration packet to come home over the Spring break to allow you time to return to our office before you leave for summer.

January 9th is Law Enforcement Appreciation day, please have your child send in a note a thanks for men and women who serve our committee and school. You may send in snacks to be taken to the local West Melbourne Law Enforcement Office on Monday.



Science and Engineering Fair for grades 4-6 will be January 12th at the school. We are still in need of a couple of judges who are experienced in science, engineering, math, and computers. Families will be able to walk through the Fair after school on that day. Thank you families for supporting your child in this project. Some students may move on to the regional fair in March.



Join us for our monthly meeting. Families from both schools are welcome to attend. The focus (but not limited) will be state testing for our students. The window for #2 opens on January 10th. We hope to see you there and hear your ideas and input. Being involved in your child's school makes a difference.



Class photos will be held on January 11th. Please dress your child in appropriate school uniforms. If you did not get individual photos, contact Dean Stewart on New Haven Avenue to make an appointment to be photographed for our yearbook. Remember to order your yearbook and help us by uploading pictures at: commpe.pictavo.com school ID # 708161

Our schools will be closed on Monday, January 16th in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King. This is a great opportunity to talk to your children about Civil Rights and how we treat one another. As a humanitarian, Dr. Maria Montessori had a shared vision of peace with this great leader. Her development of an advocacy for an education for peace led to three consecutive nominations for the Nobel Peace Prize. Her lectures titled *Education and Peace* are used worldwide with the message.

Help support our classrooms by purchasing items from Barnes and Noble on our evening event. You can also share the voucher # 12635355 with friends and family to order online. You can pick out books for yourself, the classroom, or make a donation for the school. Grades K-6 will perform between 6 and 8pm.

Literacy Month is here! To celebrate we will have a week of activities focused on reading (Jan 23rd to 27th). The theme is "Take a Deep Dive into Literacy". Watch for more information from your classroom teacher. To plan ahead, view the attached flier with information on each day of the week. We are also celebrating the 100th Day of School this week!

