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"GROWING TOGETHER TO BE OUR B.E.S.T!"



:::weekly highlights:::



5th grade ELP students complete different puzzles for an opening activity to get their brains going! Some students are working on a Harry Potter puzzle, and others are trying to figure out challenges for Albert Einstein's Letter Block puzzles.







Mrs. Peyton's 3rd grade and Ms. Gloede's 1st grade are classroom buddies this year. They had fun using "echo reading" to share pumpkin poems with each other!





Preschool students in Miss Annie's class are exploring work stations that



Miss Patty's preschool students enjoy learning about fire safety this week. They had the Dallas Center Fire Department visit on Tuesday!







Miss Jenn's preschool students have fun acting out "The Little Old Lady Who Wasn't Afraid of Anything!"

6-DAY ROTATION SCHEDULE



Mrs. Osborn's 4th graders help her update the Number Corner for October!

OCT 29TH	OCT 30TH	OCT 31ST	NOV 1ST	NOV 2ND
DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	DAY 1



- If you would like to purchase clothing from the PTO's Fall Apparell Order, please click here. The orders must be placed by midnight on Monday, October 29th.
- Please have your students check **the lost and found cart** for items that might belong to them. We will empty the cart after Thanksgiving Break and donate any remaining items to the nurse's office or a shelter in our community. Thank you!
- Parents of <u>3 year old preschool</u> students: Monthly tuition is due on the 1st of each month. You may pay online using RevTrak, or you can drop off a check to the office. Checks should be made payable to "DCG Schools."

"CAN WE GET AN ENCORE?" Music: Mrs. Ihde

One new addition to music classes at Heritage is that music is played as students enter the classroom! The first student in line waits on the footprints until the music starts. The genre and time period determine whether we will sing along, dance along, or just listen and watch. Regardless, we always have a brief discussion about the piece and its composer, instrumentation, form, or just other fun facts. So far, we have heard tunes from the 50s, 60s, 70s, 2000s, and even the 1800s!

All grades also participate in some type of warm-up before we begin. One example is the cat vocal exploration, where kids visually follow the contour of a cat's "meow" and follow that line with their voices. Students will find the upper end and lower end of their vocal range as they do so. There are about 15 different cats--each with a different type of "meow!"

We have also been including the study of "solfegge" syllables--do, re, mi, fa, so la, ti, do--in several of our songs this year. To determine whether students are able to sing various intervals or if they are able to sight-sing simple melodies, they are given a measure such as the example pictured. Knowing that "so" is the first note, they are to sing the remainder of the notes, which in this case is "so, so, mi, mi, so, so, mi." The students are catching on very well, and will be able to sing even more advanced melodies later in the year!

DON'T FORGET!

Please make sure to contact the office for the following:

*Absence

*Leave Early

*Arrive Late

*Change to Dismissal

You can **email** or call (515) 300-9627.





Oct 26th | No School Nov 7th | 1:00 Dismissal Nov 12th | PTO Meeting @ 7PM Nov 21st-23rd | Thanksgiving Break Dec 5th | 1:00 Dismissal Dec 6th | 3rd Grade Vocal Concert Dec 13th | 3rd Grade Nutcracker Field Trip Dec 24th-Jan 2nd | Winter Break

