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ELC Newsletter March 2021

Read Across America at ELC

March is full of so many exciting happenings at the ELC! We begin our month by recognizing Read Across America. This is a national movement that began in 1998 to get kids excited about reading. We are excited to participate as so many other schools across the country do so. Within the week is the birthday of beloved children's book author, Dr. Seuss. At the ELC, we feature a different Dr. Seuss book each day of the week with all kindergarten classes reading that day's book and celebrating with activities that tie into the book and dressing up with the theme each day. It is a wonderful showcase of some of the Dr. Seuss favorites. Watch closely, that Cat in the Hat pops in for a visit every year to soak up the glory and tribute of the week! This year, with the introduction of monthly elearning days, you will have the opportunity to share in the festivities on Friday, March 5th! This is "Green Eggs and Ham" day and we hope you will enjoy creating and sampling this special menu! Teachers will have other activities to tie in with the book in Canvas for that day as well. We invite you to join in the fun this week as we ramp up the excitement of reading! All students will receive their own copy of "Harold and the Purple Crayon." We love how this book features a character who creates his own adventures and travels by using his imagination and drawing! Our students are wonderful artists and have learned to add details to their art as a way to add to their story. We imagine our students embarking on all sorts of incredible adventures through their artwork as they take their inspiration from this wonderful story. And we love the gentle nod to our own Purple Pride that emanates from Harold's purple crayon!

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Sherri Eberle

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DR. SEUSS WEEK!
March 1st-March 5th

MONDAY HAT DAY (Illustration: The Cat in the Hat)

TUESDAY PAJAMA DAY (Illustration: Sleepy from the book 'Sleepy Time in the Forest')

WEDNESDAY WEAR WACKY CLOTHES DAY (Illustration: Wacky Wednesday cover)

THURSDAY CRAZY SOCK DAY (Illustration: The Sneetches)

FRIDAY GREEN EGGS AND HAM (Illustration: A hand holding a plate of green eggs and ham)

EVERY DAY! (Illustration: Read Across America logo)



Play at
me am
at

i dad the see
A like dog go
mom cat can to
we is

Sprinkle some first and second quarter words in your

Words ***	numbers 11-20 *****
Recognize short vowel sounds	model and discuss subtraction using objects within 10
THIRD QUARTER LEARNING #GOALS	Write a complete sentence.
Write numbers 0-20 *****	Retell stories *****
Count to	Answer simple questions

Snake	Eye	Fish
Reading Strategies		
TAUGHT IN KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOMS AT ELC		
USE THESE TERMS TO HELP REMIND YOUR CHILD OF STRATEGIES THEY HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED TO IN SCHOOL		
Chunky Monkey	Tryin Lion	Skippy Frog

Eggciting Days Ahead!

The chicks are coming!!!! Oh, what a wonderful time at the ELC each year when the eggs arrive! We are looking forward to March 8-19 when the eggs will go through the incubation process and hatch into peeping mounds of baby chicks! Students learn the process of turning the eggs and study the progress and changes each day. They record the process in their chick journals as they follow it daily. As the chicks hatch out, students are able to watch them and learn about the process and the ever important egg tooth! Be sure to ask you child about the daily developments.....their stories will crack you up!

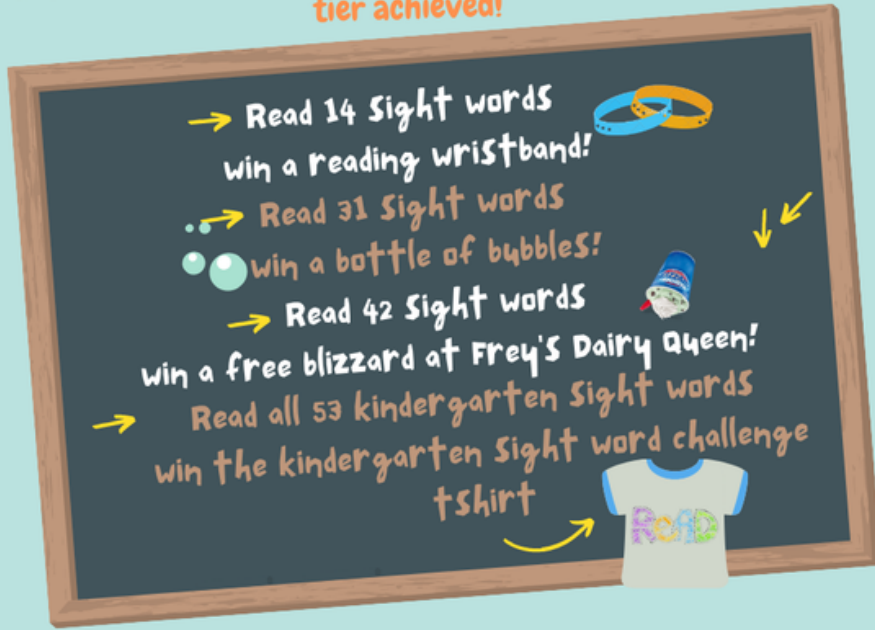



Outta Sight!


Our kindergartners have been working so hard all year to become readers and we are so proud of their grit and progress! We are seeing readers everywhere this Spring and excited to reward their hard work! We are releasing our sight word challenge for all kindergarten students to achieve prizes for their hard work! Classroom teachers will be assessing sight word mastery and awarding prizes for each tier accomplished! Be sure and practice those words with your child each day to help them flourish as a reader!!


KINDERGARTEN!


Students will be assessed by their classroom teacher to determine their mastery. Prizes will be awarded for each tier achieved!



→ Read 14 Sight words
win a reading wristband! 

→ Read 31 Sight words
win a bottle of bubbles! 

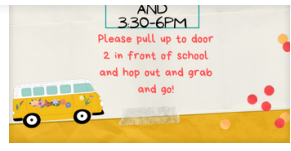
→ Read 42 Sight words
win a free blizzard at Frey's Dairy Queen! 

→ Read all 53 kindergarten sight words
win the kindergarten sight word challenge tshirt 



SPRING BREAK!

March 22-26



**2021 – 2022 KINDERGARTEN
ONLINE REGISTRATION!**
March 8th - March 12th

Child must be 5 years of age by August 1st, 2021

Get started at:
WWW.HOBART.K12.IN.US/REGISTER

Have other students in our District already?
Then visit www.hobart.k12.in.us/Skyward and select "Online Enroll/Register"
from the pull down menu, THEN login with your username and password.

We are a closed enrollment school district so you will need to provide proof of residency (see below), original birth certificate, shot records, and custody papers (if applicable)

- Please provide your driver's license or state ID with CURRENT address and two (2) recent home-related bills showing entire document, including name and service location, if applicable. Acceptable bills include, but are not limited to: mortgage, lease, water, sewer, NIPSCO, cable, internet, landline phone.
- If you do not have these in your name, a residency affidavit is required. We will need the student's parent/guardian AND the homeowner to bring the required documents for proof and complete this at the Administration Office located behind Hobart Middle School. You MUST schedule an appointment for an affidavit at www.hobart.k12.in.us/residencyaffidavit
- Residency Affidavits must be completed within 30 days from registration.

Any questions? Call Mindy at the ELC at (219) 942-7263 or the Administration Office at (219) 942-8885



& INNOVATORS SHOWCASE



SHOW OFF YOUR ORIGINAL WORK!

SEWING - ENGINEERING - WOOD-WORKING - TECHNOLOGY

Mathematics - Design - Photography

Showcase your talents, hobbies, experiments, and creations at the Virtual Brickie Makers & Innovators Showcase!

Register online at www.hobart.k12.in.us/MakerRegistration

Students must be logged into their Google account to access the registration.
Deadline to register is March 31, 2021.

We will post the link to the Virtual Showcase on **APRIL 7, 2021**

ART - WRITING - BAKING - FILM - MUSIC - ROBOTICS - SCIENCE



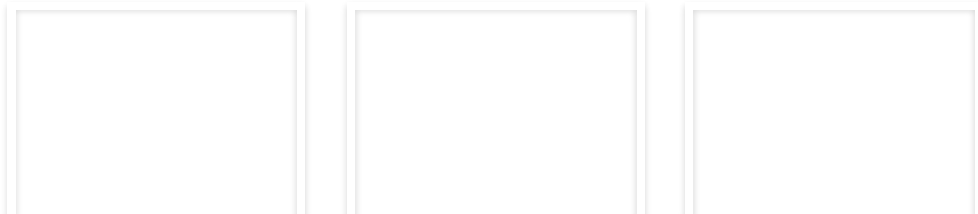
In Another Story



ELC Library
With Mrs. Eberte

"Champ and Major The First Dogs"

ELC Library put the spotlight on the First Dogs, Champ and Major. We read the new book, "Champ and Major The First Dogs" and learned that President Biden and his family have two German Shepard dogs. We also learned that Major is the first dog that belongs to a president and was a rescue. Students learned about rescuing from and animal shelter and got to meet one of the Hobart Police Department's veteran canines, Scout. Scout is also a German Shepard so we got an up close look at the traits of those dogs. Students were delighted with this special visitor!





Storybook Theater Comes Alive

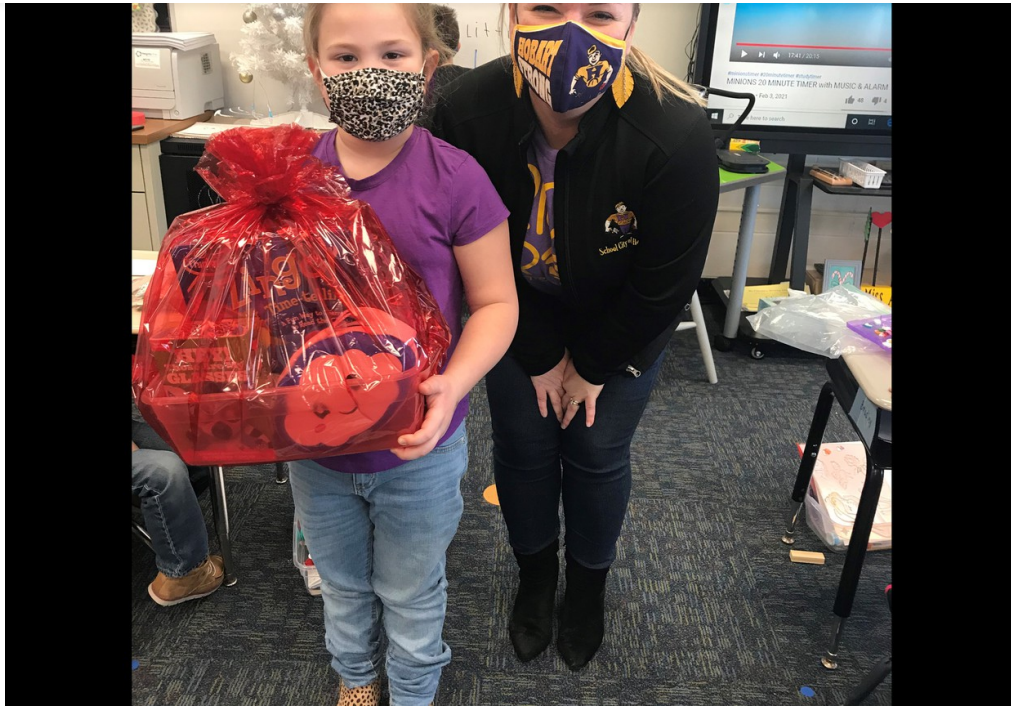
ELC Library strives to provide engaging readalouds that invite all of our student to interact and step inside the story. This month we had many adventures acting out the story with puppets and masks. Set to the backdrop of familiar songs, students are encouraged to act out parts of our story using their own antics to truly enhance their comprehension of the story. We also had several readers take to our stage and offer a readaloud with Mrs. Eberle to their class during library. This is our readers theatre program and we enhance our performance with props that are found within teach book. This is a wonderful way for our emerging readers to practice their fluency and for our audience of students to see by fine example that we are readers!!!



The Family That Plays Together Stays Together!

We were delighted with the participation in our annual Family Game Night! It was wonderful to see so many of our families pulling out those tabletop games and making together time with each other through tabletop games! There are countless benefits to playing tabletop games with your children ranging from their social skills to academic development. Many games are specific to logic and other critical thinking skills that enhance your child's ability to grasp abstract concepts in the classroom. All participants won a prize and our big winner of the game bundle was Tenley from Ms. Aurand's class!





 **NURSE'S NOTE**  

COVID-19 Information-Symptoms/Sick and Return to School Policy

Notify your school immediately of COVID-19 symptoms or any exposure to a COVID-19 positive test: nurse@hobart.k12.in.us
COVID-19: When a student, faculty, or staff member can return to school (Indiana

[Click Here to access the Indiana State Department of Health Indiana COVID-19 Testing](#)

Sites

Note: For each testing site, the following information is provided: Location, Scheduling Options, Hours, Requirements to be Tested, Payment Options, Phone Number, Days/Hours of Operation, Format of Testing Reporting.

How To Report An Absence

Log Into Skyward Using Parent/Guardian Account
 1 Please Contact Technology If You Need Help With Parent Login 942-1388

2 Select Attendance in Right Corner, Select Absence Request
 A Window Will Open to Select Child's Name

3 Enter Date Select Reason Add Comment Save To Submit

STOP THE SPREAD STAY IN BED

Select Attendance in Right Corner, Select Absence Request
 A Window Will Open to Select Child's Name

You can copy your entry before saving to include other children in your home. You Do Not Need to Call Your School To Report Absence Once You Have Completed in Skyward

PROTECT BRICKIES

➔ **WEAR A MASK!**
 MASK BREAKS WHEN ANNOUNCED
do not touch your face!

➔ **WASH YOUR HANDS!**
 As much as possible

OR HAND SANITIZE WHEN YOU CANNOT!

➔ **WATCH YOUR DISTANCE!**

6FT PREFERENCE
ALWAYS USE A MASK!

Stay home if:

You OR ANYONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD are experiencing any of the symptoms:

- Temperature 100.4° F or higher
- Sore Throat
- New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing (for students with chronic allergic/asthenatic cough, a change in their cough from baseline.)
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting
- Abdominal Pain
- New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever.

You or anyone in your household are being tested for COVID-19.

You or anyone in your household tested positive.

Report All household symptoms, testing, positives to nurses@hobart.k12.in.us

Our Coordinator of Health Services for the School District will assist you in monitoring your student(s) and let you know when they can safely return to help control the spread in our schools and community.

[Here's how to report absence in Skyward](#)

Keep it up Brickies!

IF ANYONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD IS BEING TESTED FOR COVID FOR ANY REASON-SYMPOMATIC OR ASYMPOMATIC- PLEASE KEEP EVERYONE HOME WHILE TEST IS PENDING

Flu -
 Roses are Red , Violets are blue , Please get your shot so you don't get the FLU!
 Contact your healthcare provider or make an appointment at our Brickie Clinic
 219-945-9383

Sick students-
 PLEASE KEEP ALL SICK OR SUSPECTED SICK STUDENTS HOME FROM SCHOOL.
 PLEASE MARK THEM OFF IN SKYWARD. SYMPTOMS INCLUDE: fever greater than 100.4 degrees, CHILLS, SORE THROAT, COUGH(especially new onset, uncontrolled cough), DIARRHEA, VOMITING, HEADACHE(particularly new onset of severe headache, especially with a fever) , NEW LOSS OF TASTE OR SMELL, MUSCLE OR BODY ACHES OR FATIGUE, CONGESTION OR RUNNY NOSE, SHORTNESS OF BREATH OR DIFFICULTY BREATHING. If you are unsure, please call your healthcare provider or school nurse for advice. Please do not send your student to school and instruct them to go directly to the nurse before the school day begins. Again, if you have any questions or concerns please contact your school nurse. For more information, please visit our website:
<https://www.hobart.k12.in.us/protectbrickies>





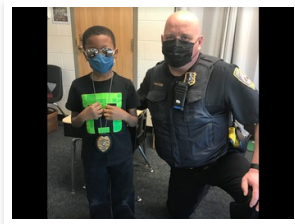
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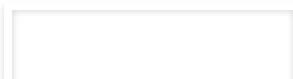
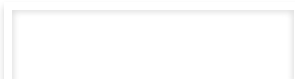
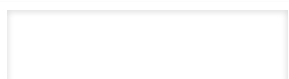
Cpl. Joseph D. Clemmons, MPSA
Hobart Police Department
School Resource Officer

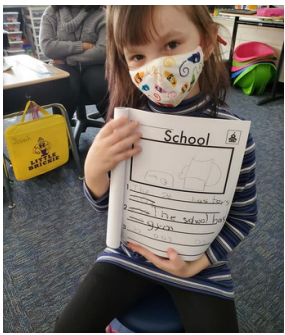
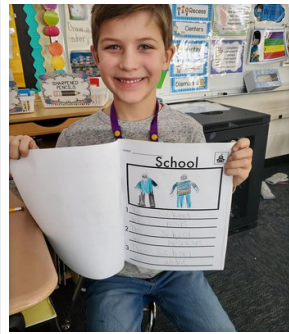
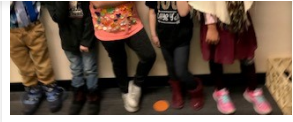
School Resource Officers Showcase Leadership in Our School

This month, students began cashing in their PBIS tickets for the experience of SRO for the day. For 50 tickets, students can shadow SRO Joe for his daily rounds. They are awarded the privilege of using the radio, checking security of our hallways and doors and even peeking at the security cameras! They receive a special badge and bragging rights for helping to keep our school as safe as it can be! Congratulations Brickies and thanks for being such great leaders at our school!



Fun Times at ELC





Check Out March Early Years and Reading Connection Below for Great Tips For Development!

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