

# The Bolt

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## Message from Administration:

As the New Year brings in new hope and excitement here at JHW, the teachers continue to analyze data and focus on instruction. With the different path our education system took these past several months, our staff continues to have a laser like focus on students' mental health and academics. Everyone is working hard to ensure that all students are feeling success and that they are ready to continue their learning journey.

We have many activities planned for February! Our PTO-Color Run Fundraiser, Special Areas -Singing Valentine Fundraiser, PYP IB Savanna trip for selected staff, Black History Month, attendance contest with Polk Ave, President's Day, Spring Picture Day, Dr. Seuss Week, PBS reward Day, A-Team Competition. How exciting is all of THAT!

On behalf of our staff, we appreciate you working with us when students are absent. We know our parents are encouraging our students to focus on their classwork and homework. Parents are picking up homework packets, checking Class Dojo, joining us on our monthly zoom meetings.

Keeping everyone up to date with all activities that are happening and changes at our school is paramount to our staff.

We have learned that the parents, students, and our staff are resilient. No matter what comes, together we find a way to survive and thrive. In the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, "If you can't fly, then run. If you can't run, then walk. If you can't walk, then crawl. No matter what, just keep on moving." This statement describes our school community.

Let us practice LOVE, FORGIVENESS and HOPE for our fellow man in this month of February.

LOVE BIG! LOVE ALL!

Kim Griffiths and Linda J. Ray



President's Day

**FEBRUARY 21, 2022**

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## February Calendar

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Feb. 1-17- PTO Color Run Fundraiser- Collect \$30.00

Feb. 2- Early Release at 12:20p.m.

Feb. 7-11- FTE Week

Feb. 11- SAC Meeting at 1:00p.m. in PLC room

Feb.17- 3rd Grade Skate World

Feb. 17- Kona Ice on Campus

Feb. 18- No School

Feb. 21- No School- President's Day

Feb. 24- Spring Pictures

Feb. 25- Uniform Free for \$1.00

Feb. 28- March 4- Dr. Seuss Week more details will come later.

## JHW Business Partners

Sheppard Heating and Cooling  
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# Featured articles

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## Kindergarten

Kindergarten is coming along well. We are very excited to see that some of our students are reading on-level and putting their best effort forward in the classroom.

Just a few reminders:

- Please make sure students are here on time each day so they can have the opportunity to eat breakfast and have a great start to their day.
- It is very important to have students at school every day because, whenever they are absent on a regular basis, it affects progress and hinders the possibility of growth.
- We need your help at home with practicing sight words and letter sounds. This will help to enhance your child's reading ability.
- Place make sure you are practicing sight words, especially the ones your child is struggling to retain. Sight word test will be on February 25th .

Thank you so much for your continued support, it is greatly appreciated!

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## First Grade

February is a rigorous month for First Graders.

In Math, the student will be learning the various aspects of measurement and applying their addition and subtraction skills to evaluate and solve problems. In English Language Arts (Reading), the students are expected to take on more responsibility for their own learning, such as reading directions on their own, composing and writing complete sentences, forming effective study habits. In Science, we will begin our unit on Earth and Space focusing on the stars. In Social Studies, we will explore maps and the physical features of the Earth. When your First Grader comes home exhausted, they have worked hard to grow their brains in preparation for 2nd Grade.

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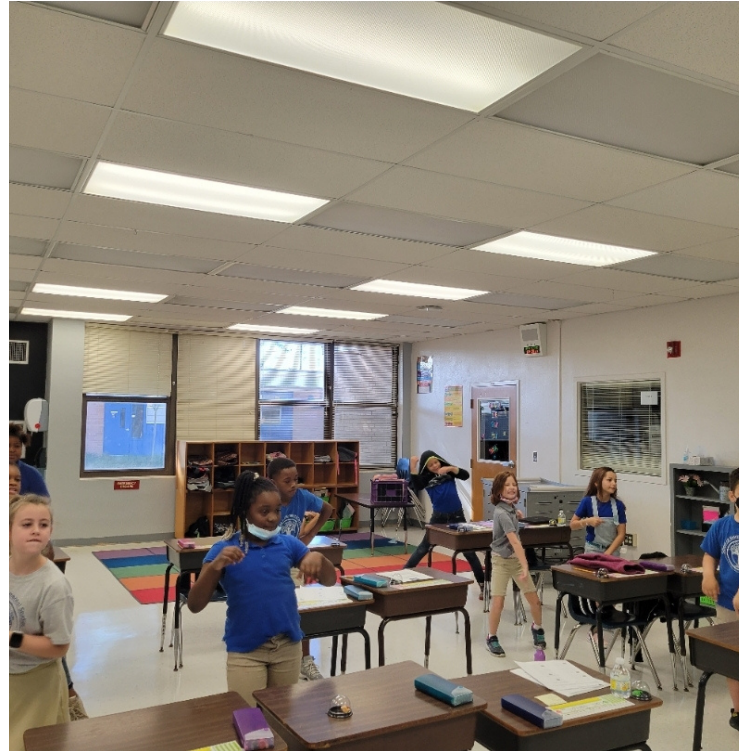
## Second Grade

In second grade we have several things we will be working on for the month of February. In reading, How kids around the world are different.

In math, 3-digit addition and subtraction.

Science, patterns in nature, weather and seasons.

Social Studies, Scientists and Inventors and different types of sources (primary and secondary).



# Featured articles

## Third Grade

Third grade is proud of all the hard work the students have accomplished and the positive attitude most of them have. This time of the year we focus on mastering skills to be successful on our state tests along with third grade standards. It is highly important that students are memorizing their math facts and completing their homework as this reinforces what they are learning in school. We are going to Skate World for our STEM lesson and roller skating on 2/17/22. We are also planning on a couple other field trips before the end of the year. These trips are great opportunities for our students that we look forward to every year.

## Fourth Grade

Hello! Fourth grade is focusing on reading and understanding Biographies. Fifth grade is working on reading and understanding informational text. Both grades are mastering writing full essays that contain a beginning, middle, and end. These essays require the students to share their opinion or inform their reader about a subject based on articles they have read. We ask that parents ensure their child is reading at home, doing homework, and studying. We appreciate the support from our families! As always, please email or us4 dojo to contact us for any questions or concerns!

We have another exciting month ahead for 4th/5th Math and Science. In 5th grade, we will be learning about line plots and then jumping into volume and prisms. In 4th grade, the students will be learning about measurements, perimeter, and area. We are really excited to be starting our lessons on the human body, plants, and animals in Science. This is always an interesting unit for the students and they really enjoy it. Please remember that your child does have homework at night and can always challenge their skills through Khan Academy.

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5th grade parents please remember to check your child's agenda and classdojo. We have a lot of things coming up and we do not want your child to miss out on anything. We are having a Valentine's Day dance on February 11th after school. Those forms have been sent out and are due no later than February 4th, along with the money. All three teachers are available and here to assist you with any questions and concerns.



## Student of the Month!

### EARLY RELEASE DAYS 2021- 2022

September 8, 2021  
October 27, 2021  
November 17, 2021  
January 12, 2022

February 2, 2022  
March 16, 2022  
April 20, 2022  
May 27, 2022



# SAC & PTO

SAC Meeting will be held on Friday, February 11, 2022 at 1:00p.m. in the PLC room

PTO Meeting is cancelled on Friday, February 18, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in the PLC room. No School for students or paraprofessionals.

PTO Color Run Fundraiser starts on Tuesday, February 1st- Thursday, February 17th. Earn \$30.00 so you can participate in this colorful event.



## Home and School Connection

Without doubt, reading with children spells success for early literacy. Putting a few simple strategies into action will make a significant difference in helping children develop into good readers and writers.

Through reading aloud, providing print materials and promoting positive attitudes about reading and writing, you can have a powerful impact on children's literacy and learning.

- Invite a child to read with you every day.
- When reading a book where the print is large, point word by word as you read. This will help the child learn that reading goes from left to right and understand that the word he or she says is the word he or she sees.
- Read a child's favorite book over and over again.
- Read many stories with rhyming words and lines that repeat. Invite the child to join in on these parts. Point, word by word, as he or she reads along with you.
- Discuss new words. For example, "This big house is called a palace. Who do you think lives in a palace?"
- Stop and ask about the pictures and about what is happening in the story.
- Read from a variety of children's books, including fairy tales, songbooks, poems and information books.

Reading well is at the heart of all learning. A child who can't read well, can't learn. Help make a difference for a child.

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