

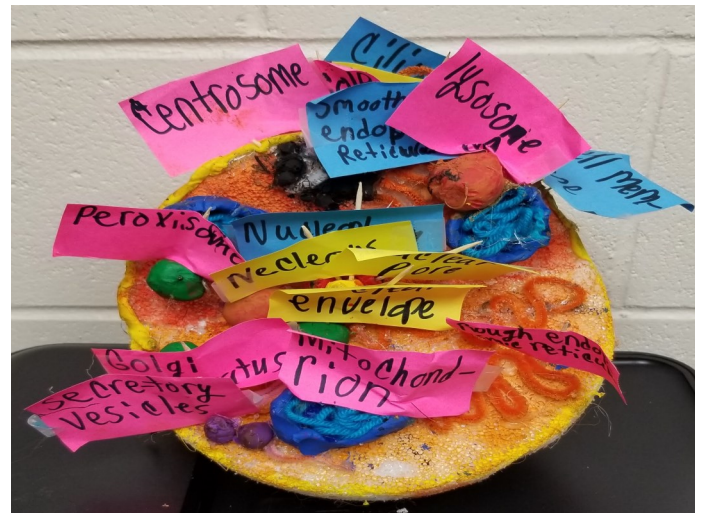
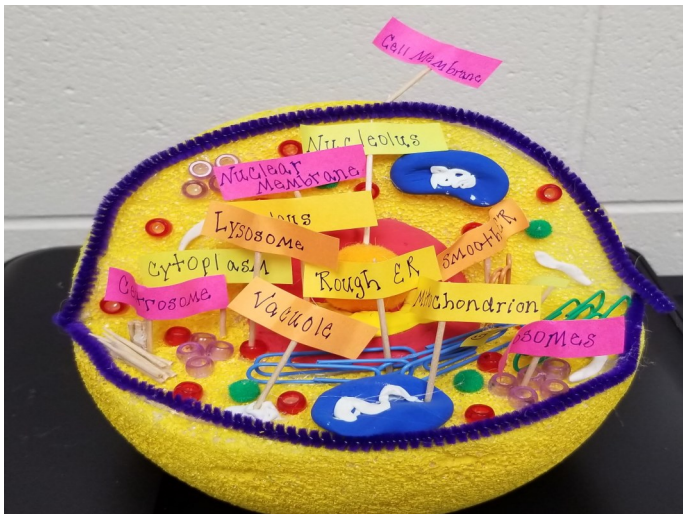
CLAY COUNTY SCHOOLS HAWKS' NEST NEWS



PARENT RESOURCE NEWSLETTER

Exploring Cells

This month 7th grade students were assigned a project by their teachers (Ms. Baltodano and Ms. Ziraldo) from Georgia Virtual School. They were required to create a 3-D model of a cell with labels. Students could choose between an animal cell or a plant cell. The project allowed the 7th graders to gain a better understanding of how a cell (plant or animal) works and what each organelle (the parts of the cells) does to help make the cell function.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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|---------------------|-----------------|
| Chase Jordan | Kariya Jones |
| Courtney Davis | Alonna Battle |
| Cordera Davis | Rickey Humphrey |
| Jordan Cody | Khloe Davis |
| Rhadarius Childress | Antwain Walker |
| De'Arius Cooper | Karmeil Davis |
| Kaiden Lamar | Katilyn Mosely |
| Jada Scott | |



Student of the Month

- Pre -K - Chase Davis
- Kindergarten - Kendreanna Clark
- 1st Grade - Jaydence Spann
- 2nd Grade - Arkiryanna Gilbert
- 3rd Grade - A'Layshia Blackmon
- 4th Grade - Mariah Buck
- 5th Grade - Coriyah Price
- 6th Grade - Tahmir Armour
- 7th Grade - Ni'Ciera Cooper
- 8th Grade - Tarvis Vaughn



NATIONAL
**SCHOOL BUS
SAFETY WEEK**

October 18-22, 2021

BUS RULES

Students:

- will keep masks on at all times.
- will stay 6 ft apart from others if possible.
- will sit in their assigned seat; stay seated and face forward.
- will obey the driver willingly and promptly. The driver is in full charge of the bus and students.
- will ride the bus on which they have been assigned to and from school.
- will help keep their bus clean by not throwing trash on the floor. Students shall not throw any object out the windows.
- will not extend his head, hands, arms or any part of his body out the window.
- will not consume food or drinks on the bus.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Q. What to do if my child's bus is late?
- A. Wait at the stop. **The Clay County School District will be implementing bus stops by March 2022.**
- Q. What if my child does not get off the bus?
- A. Call the school and ask for the transportation department at (229-768-2234). We will contact the driver by radio to verify that the child is on the bus.
- Q. If the bus schedule says my bus should arrive at 3:45 and it is late what does this mean? What should a parent do?
- A. It could possibly be due to a mechanical issue or that the bus is being driven by someone other than the regular driver.



T. McClendon



W. Davis



A. Hull, J. Spann, D. Young, D. Marble, B. Laseter



D. Mitchell

Robin Nicholson
Not Pictured



**RED
RIBBON
WEEK**
October 23
October 31

This month during the last week , October 23rd - 31st, we recognize Red Ribbon Week. Red Ribbon Week is one of our nation's oldest school campaigns with a focus on the fight against drugs. Since it's beginning in 1985, schools across the nation honor this week. The Red Ribbon Week's activities will consist of this month's character education lessons. Lessons will focus on drugs and anti-bullying. Officer Newton will assist, and the students, faculty and staff will be able to participate in spirit days during the week. This year's theme is "Drug Free Looks Like Me".

Spirit Week Schedule:

Monday- Lei Off Drugs (Wear Hawaiian shirts, Lei, or sunglasses)

Tuesday - Tie One Against Drugs (Wear a Tie)

Wednesday - Be a Hero and Zap Drugs Away (Dress like a Superhero)

Thursday - Drugs Are Old School (Dress in the 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's)

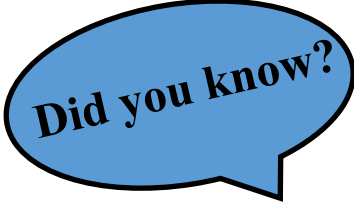


This month we recognize Bullying Prevention. According to stopbullying.org, 2019 indicators of School Crime and Safety Report about 20% of students ages 12-18 who reported being bullied during the school year 15% were bullied online or by text. The purpose of National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month is to educate and raise awareness about bullying, the effects, and how to prevent it from happening. There are four different types of bullying: **social bullying, physical bullying, cyber bullying, and verbal bullying**. Each can cause severe damage to the mental state of a student and even adults. The more we educate ourselves about the various ways a person can be bullied and how he or she is affected, the more strategies and ideas we can produce to stop bullying in its tracks.

**October is National
Anti-Bullying Month**



Breast Cancer Awareness Month (BCAM), also referred to in the United States as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month (NBCAM), is an **annual international health campaign** organized by major breast cancer charities every October to increase awareness of the disease and to raise funds for research into its cause, prevention, diagnosis, treatment and cure.



Clay County Schools are Title I Schools!

What is Title I?

Title I is designed to support State and Local school reform efforts tied to the challenging State academic standards to improve teaching and learning for students. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family engagement.

What's Title I Purpose?

The purpose of Title I is to ensure that all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high quality education and reach, at a minimum, proficiency on challenging state academic achievement standards and state academic assessments.

Annual Title I Meeting
October 21, 2021
@6p.m. via Zoom

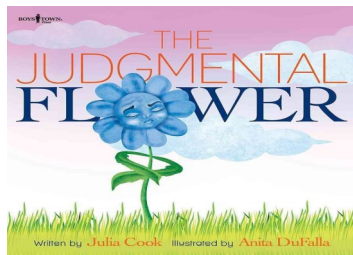
SEL Tip for the Month

(Social Emotional Learning)
Family Check-Ins

In this busy world don't forget to check-in with your household family members. The check-in can be once a week or every day, but the focus is to give everyone a chance to speak about how his or her day or week was and offer support. Whether we realize it or not, we all want to be asked "how are you doing?" or "how was your day?". It's a simple and free act of showing each other that you care.

~A. Shepard, Counselor~

October's Book of the Month



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Ten Reasons to Keep Your Child Home from School A Guide to Making An Early Morning Decision

It can be hard to decide whether or not your child is too sick to go to school. You often may not be able to tell if he is going to get better or worse during the school day. Also, if your child has had many complaints of pain in the past that have caused him to miss school, you should think about if your child is avoiding school. It will be important for you to talk to your child and find out the reason.

You should keep your child at home if he might spread a contagious disease to other children or if he is too sick to get through the school day. Children who are sick have a hard time learning and may get other children sick.

Here are guidelines to help you decide when your child should stay home from school.

Fever Children with fever over 100.4° F should stay home until there is no fever for 24 hours. If you treat a fever with medicine before school, the fever can return and your child may still be contagious. Call your doctor if your child has a fever with pain, rash, weakness, vomiting or diarrhea.	Diarrhea & Vomiting One event of watery diarrhea or more than one event of vomiting are reasons to keep your child home. If vomiting or diarrhea continues or your child also has fever, rash or weakness, call your doctor.	Persistent Coughing If your child's cough is worse than you would expect with a cold, keep him at home. If he has a hard time breathing or has a fever, call your doctor.	Sore Throat If your child has a sore throat and fever, or a severe sore throat without fever, he should stay home from school. Call your doctor if there is a quick onset of fever and sore throat without cold symptoms.
Pinkeye/Conjunctivitis If your child's eye is red with cloudy or yellow drainage, he should stay home until symptoms are gone. Call your doctor for treatment.	Persistent Ear Pain Your child should stay at home if he has a lot of ear pain. Call your doctor for treatment.	Chickenpox Your child should stay at home until all bumps are scabbed and no new bumps have shown up in two days. Call your doctor for treatment of symptoms.	Impetigo If your child has impetigo (red, oozing blister areas with yellow-gold scabs on the body or face) he should stay at home as long as your doctor says.
Scabies If your child has scabies (a contagious disease caused by a mite which involves itching and a rash), he should stay home for 24 hours after treatment.	Lice If your child has lice, he needs to be treated and nits (eggs) removed. He needs to stay at home until he has been cleared by the school to return.	Stomach Ache If your child complains of a stomach ache, especially if he says it hurts to move and he does not want to eat, he should stay home. Call your doctor.	

When there is doubt in your mind about sending your child to school, consult your child's doctor. Remember to make sure that your child's school knows how to reach you during the day.

Please notify the school nurse if your child has been in close contact with someone that tested positive with Covid. Per state regulations he or she will need to quarantine for 14 days. Please contact the school nurse if you have any questions or concerns.

ATTENTION PARENTS!!

Clay County Schools are offering COVID-19 testing to you! If you are interested, please contact Nurse Buck before October 6th @ 229-768-2234.

Save the Dates

October

- 6th- Spooky STEM Day
Early Release Day/Report Card Day
Parent Teacher Conference 1p.m.-6p.m.
- 7th- 25 Book Campaign & L4GA Kick-Off
@6p.m. via Zoom
- 11th-15th Fall Break
- 21st- Annual Title I Meeting
@6p.m. via Zoom
- 28th- Math & Science Night

If you have any suggestions or comments for the Hawks' Nest News, please call (229)-768-2234 or email: tchristian@clay.k12.ga.us

Parents contributions to the Hawks' Nest News are always welcomed!