

The Dolphin Times

"Helping Everyone Succeed"

Harleyville Elementary School

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From the Nurse's Office

Reminders to Keep Everyone Safe

If someone in your household has tested positive for COVID-19, and you are a close contact: (live in the same house, have been in close contact for 15 min)...

- 1) You must quarantine at home for 14 days. Stay home, do not come to school.
- 2) Students must complete their full recommended quarantine period even if they test negative.
- 3) It is recommended that you wait 7 days to be tested to avoid a false negative result.
- 4) Please let your Principal or School Nurse know if a student has Covid-19 so that we may be able to help in any way we can.

WINTER BREAK

DECEMBER 21 – JANUARY 3, 2021



Fruit of the Month: Papaya



Facts

1. Papaya is native to Mexico. However, it grows naturally in the Caribbean and Florida too.
2. The possible health benefits of consuming papaya include a reduced risk of heart disease, diabetes, cancer, aiding in digestion, improving blood glucose control in people with diabetes, lowering blood pressure, and improving wound healing.

Recipe: Papaya Bars

<https://www.acozykitchen.com/papaya-bars>

From the Desk of Cate August, Literacy Coach

Our ROOM or ZOOM AR Reading Challenge has definitely inspired some of our readers here at HES. We had 102 students in Kindergarten through 5th Grade who met their Reading goal for October - you deserve a pat on the back and then some! Remember: our challenge for November and December has raised the bar. Each child received a personalized goal to strive for based on their particular reading level. All kids that meet their Nov./Dec. goal will be able to pie Mrs. August in the face! So far we have 48 students who have met their goal, so Mrs. August already has 48 pies coming her way on December 17th! There's still plenty of time to meet your goal, so read, read, read until December 15th! (The deadline date)

As we continue to focus on improving our reading skills, I want you to remember this important quote by Bruce Lee: "Practice makes perfect. After a long time of practicing, our work will become natural, skillful, swift, and steady." The only way to get better at reading is to READ. Reading 20 minutes each night to or with someone - a parent, sibling, grandparent, dog, stuffed animal, whomever - has been proven to increase reading abilities over the years. Look below if you need more proof!

Why Can't I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?

Student "A"	Student "B"	Student "C"
reads 20 minutes each day	reads 5 minutes each day	reads 1 minute each day
3600 minutes in a school year	900 minutes in a school year	180 minutes in a school year

1,800,000 words



90th percentile

282,000 words



50th percentile

8,000 words



10th percentile

By the end of 6th grade Student "A" will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student "B" will have read only 12 school days. Which student would you expect to have a better vocabulary? Which student would you expect to be more successful in school...and in life?

(Nagy & Herman, 1987)

Mission Statement: The mission of Dorchester School District Four is to develop life - long learners who will have a positive impact on our global world.