Hello Ivy Hawn Families,

The past few months have been momentous for the Artary Family, October 1st marked two months since I successfully transitioned from Morrow, Georgia to Orlando, Florida to join the Ivy Hawn Family! October 6th marked one month since my fiancée gave birth to our daughter Ariya Artary!

As a part of my duty as Dean of Students, I have had the pleasure of collaborating with the Positive Behavior Intervention & Support (PBIS) Committee to improve and integrate all data, systems, and practices affecting student daily outcomes. To support our PBIS initiatives we recently launched: PAWsitive Referrals and Husky of the Month. We would love for you to provide input regarding our PBIS efforts, please use the following link or scan the QR code to provide valuable feedback.

https://forms.gle/FS6m4VUtQ29ueMdz9

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Sincerely,

Dean Artary
IVY HAWN WAY

I will do my best everyday.
I will treat others with kindness and respect.
I will take responsibility for my words, choices, and actions.

MESSAGE FROM THE CLINIC

Please remember to pack an extra change of clothes in your child’s backpack. ANYTHING and EVERYTHING can happen and I do not always have clothes to fit your child. Also, the Amazon wish list for the clinic is updated as I see things that could be super helpful. So give it a look every now and again! A HUGE thank you to those who have donated already! It is very much appreciated!

Flu Clinic is next Wednesday Oct 12th. No cost Flu shot. Mrs. C-H has the forms in the front office. Last day to turn in forms will be Monday October 10th at 3pm.

If your child has a life threatening condition please contact Nurse Rayna for further information if you have not done so already.

Again, Thank YOU for supporting Ivy Hawn Clinic!
**KINDERGARTEN**

We are having a lot of fun in Kindergarten in October! In ELA we are working on main character, setting, and important events. In Foundations we are working on rhyming, letter names and sounds. In Writing we are working on writing our letters, nouns, and action verbs. In Social Studies we are learning about maps and globes. In Math we are focusing on counting and writing numbers 6-10. In Science we are finishing up with the 5 senses and moving into talking about the sky.

**1ST GRADE**

We are excited for our upcoming pumpkin patch field trips on October 18 (Boyar, Kilbourn) and October 20 (Lopez, Deliman). Please return permission slips ASAP.

**ELA**—We are beginning Unit 2 where we will focus on fiction texts. We will be retelling stories and identifying main story elements. We are finishing up with reading and spelling short vowel words and will be moving on to beginning blends.

**Grammar and Writing**—First grade is jumping and running and hopping through verbs. With so much to discuss we are working to understand past, present, and future tense verbs as well as how they relate to the noun in a sentence. With these new concepts, students will be writing narratives with a distinct beginning, middle, and end. In addition to this, we will be learning about the power of the apostrophe and how to make conjunctions.

**Math**—In this chapter, we will be continuing to learn more about addition and subtraction, and the relationship between these operations. The lessons address solving for a missing addend, finding the missing part of a subtraction equation, finding the missing whole of a subtraction equation, and writing fact families. We will also solve compare word problems when given how many more or how many fewer, and will determine whether equations are true or false. The vocabulary words associated with this chapter are: bar model and fact family.

**Social Studies**—Students will be recognizing symbols & individuals that represent American constitutional democracy. We will talk about the US Constitution & students will work together to put the Preamble in order as a team. Students will also be writing about how the American flag has changed over time using capitalization, finger spacing & editing marks.

**Science**—Our First graders will be learning that water, rocks, soil, & living organisms are found on Earth’s surface. They will be able to describe where water is found on Earth’s surface (e.g., puddles, rivers, lakes, ponds, ocean). Then we will compare properties of water found in different locations (e.g., clear, murky, salty, sandy). Many interesting discussions will take place after they gather collections of things & compare them during a walk around our school campus. It’s fun to be a first grader!
2ND GRADE

ELA: We are harvesting great phonics skills as we are learning to read and spell vowel team words. Our reading adventures are helping us see what we can learn from story characters who are facing problems.
Writing: This month we will be focusing on writing stories that are our opinions. Students will know that an opinion is personal and how they personally feel about something.
Grammar: This month we will focus on singular and plural tenses of nouns.
Science: In science, students are investigating wind and weather. We will be making our own pinwheels to explore the wind. Next, we will be discussing the importance of preparing for severe weather and what materials are needed for survival. Students will then begin observing and measuring objects in terms of their physical properties. We will be doing a sink/float exploration as well as an activity to sort matter on weight, color, size, and shape.
Social Studies: In social studies we will be using our Studies Weekly to learn about sequencing historical events, examine primary and secondary sources, and how to use technology and informational sources to answer questions about a historical topic.
Math: Fluently add and subtract within 100 using various strategies.

3RD GRADE

ELA: In ELA, we have so many fun activities for October. We will have a Spooky Story Writing and a Pumpkin book report. We will also be covering Authors Purpose and Story Elements.
Social Studies: We will be learning the purpose and needs for government and exploring the three branches of government.
Math: In Math this month we will be learning about Division Strategies. We will also be exploring multiplication and division fact families. Students should be practicing their multiplication facts for a few minutes each night verbally or with flash cards. Students need to have their facts memorized through their 12s by the end of third grade.
Science: In Science we are moving into our unit on MATTER!! Students will be exploring the observable and measurable properties of matter. We will use balance scales and graduated cylinders to measure and classify types of matter. We will also be learning about the states of matter as ice and how it changes from a gas, to a liquid, then to a solid and back again!

4TH GRADE

Fourth grade is so excited for the 2nd quarter! In ELA, we are looking forward to starting a novel study, in math, we are working on 2 digit multiplication and the rocks and minerals unit starts in science. Be sure to stop by and see us at Trunk or Treat!
**5TH GRADE**

In **English Language Arts**, the students were introduced to accountable talk techniques and active listening skills, to foster confidence and courtesy in both speaking and listening. We have been reading individual class novels and discussing important fictional literary analytics such as theme, metaphor, symbolism, and various figurative language devices.

In non-fiction literature study, we have emphasized the importance of identifying the author’s purpose as well as the main idea and details of a text. We look forward to beginning our 5th-grade class novel “I Love You Michael Collins,” which takes us on a journey back to the time of Apollo 11’s launch to the moon!

The students have also completed a beginning **writing** prompt diagnostic which was an opinion essay. The students are reviewing writing techniques and skills for responding to both fictional and non-fiction pieces of text.

In **Social Studies**, we have completed our unit on Map Skills which included the physical regions of the United States and practicing longitude and latitude. We are continuing our trek across the U.S. as we learn and memorize states and capitals region by region! We look forward to our Native American Unit and learning about how our nation’s native peoples survived in raw and uncharted land.

In **Math**, the students have finished up adding and subtracting decimals, we are now moving on to multiplying whole numbers. The students learn these skills in a whole group setting and receive continued practice in centers and through games!

In **Science**, we have finished learning about the solar system! We really enjoyed our collaborative poster project on the planets. We had a blast working on them and presenting them in class! Now, we move forward to Earth’s water, weather and climate.

**ELEMENTARY SPECIAL AREA**

**STEAM** 1,2,3…. Lift Off! Elementary STEAM class has completed its first successful launch of the School Year. Thank you to all the parents who donated/recycled your 2 Liter bottles, couldn’t have done it without you. For this unit, students have been discovering and designing the different styles of rockets, with some fun LEGO challenges in-between.
Elementary Dance:
4th and 5th Grade are starting their choreography for their Showcase Performance in January!
K-3rd Grade is finishing up their jazz technique and getting started on some fun Hip Hop combinations.
All K-5th will learn a fun little spooky scary skeleton dance this month for Halloween!

Junior Dance Team has had some setbacks with canceled rehearsals, but that isn’t stopping us! We are super busy this month learning choreography! Our goal by the beginning of November is to have our group lyrical piece, and Christmas dance finished and our two small group jazz pieces halfway done.

Agriscience
In 4th and 5th grade Agriscience, we’ve been working on finishing up with garden safety and moving forward with chickens. If you haven’t joined our class Remind, please join us @ihelemag. Also, due to the cancellation of our Open House, please feel free to check out the following video link for more information about what your student has been doing in class. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iR1HPDyXfOg

Elementary Drama
4/5 - We’re gearing up for an Alice in Wonderland showcase! Roles are being assigned and rehearsals are beginning.
2/3 - Students are creating their own character studies. They’re figuring out the whys and whats to original and class characters.
K/1 - We’re working on movement and sensory games, so we learn how to express our emotions on stage.

TSquad is getting ready to attend our first theatre event, the Florida Theatre Conference on November 5th. TSquad is taking the one-act Toy Store to the event and hopes to see a lot of different workshops from theatrical experts and other student-driven shows from local schools.

Elementary Music:
3rd, 4th, and 5th graders took part in a "Glow Party" in music class to get excited about their upcoming recorder unit and to practice reading music! Students participated in 4 different glow centers where they composed, performed, matched, and identified music and notation!
Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders have begun working on their "Home for the Holidays" music showcase coming up in early December. More information will be coming home soon about this show - just don’t be surprised if you hear your children singing Christmas tunes in October!

Treblemakers Elementary Music Club has begun! We have a record number of students this year (over 100!) - The club is already working on their "Holiday Songs and Snacks" show and getting excited to walk and throw candy in the Lake Helen Christmas Parade! Huge thank you to all the parent volunteers who are helping during rehearsals!
**6TH GRADE**

**ELA:** The first couple of weeks of October we are working on narrative writing skills including plot, sensory details, and figurative language. The beginning of quarter 2 will focus on theme, poetic form, and central idea.

**Science:** Students are learning about Forces and Motion before moving on to Earth Structures and Changes. Students recently investigated different types of forces in our stations-based, forces investigation. Students can look forward to conducting their first Summative Science Practices Lab: Energy, Force and Motion. This is an involved lab that will apply everything students have learned up until this point. Students will also build a Marble Rollercoaster when we start learning about Speed. The DIA was initially scheduled for Oct 13-14th but will likely be extended. Check Remind for important information regarding this change.

Join my Remind: Text: 81010 Message: @scitney6

**Math:** The learning target for Algebra in October is to transition from evaluating exponents to mastering the art of adding and subtracting fractions, proper, improper, and mixed. Our teams will challenge for the ‘Raulerson Radicals’ award of Excellence. This will be an exciting time of learning.

**US History:** Students are finishing our study on the 13 American Colonies and will be taking their Unit 2 - 13 Colonies Summative and then moving on to study the what caused the American Revolution. Students will participate in several classroom activities to deepen their understanding of the cause, course, and consequences of the American Revolution. Please remember to check remind for important information and updates about our class! Text: 81010 Message: @derose6 to join.

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**7TH GRADE**

**ELA:** Students have been learning how to identify rhyme scheme and sound devices authors often use to convey meaning and mood in literature. Next week, they will take the Unit 1 summative test to show mastery of these skills. In 2nd quarter, we’ll be moving into informative writing and beginning a novel study!

**Science:** Students are learning about how to stop radiation, convection, and conduction by building penguin huts. The goal is to keep the penguin (ice cube) from melting!

**Civics:** Please review the 7th Grade Tallahassee packet to learn about this unique opportunity for students to explore our state capital. Completed paperwork and deposits are due before Thanksgiving break.

**Math:** Students are working to understand ratios of rational numbers and use ratio tables to represent equivalent ratios.

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**8TH GRADE**

On 01/12/2022, 8th-grade students in Volusia County will participate in the **PSAT**. This version of the PSAT includes evidenced-based Reading, Writing, and Math, with essential features including identifiers for college and career readiness, the meaning of words in extended context, and word choice for determination of meaning and tone. In addition, this PSAT examination is rights-only scoring, which means correct answers earn points, while incorrect and blank answers have no impact on scoring.

High schools in Volusia use the scores from PSAT to help determine master scheduling for high schools. Please be sure you are on time and ready to do your best!
**MIDDLE SCHOOL ELECTIVES**

**Dance** – Come out and watch Senior Dance Team perform in their 1st event – Port Orange Family Days, on Sunday, October 30th at 2:00pm at the Kenneth Parker Amphitheater. They will also have food and games and fun for the whole family.

November 16th will be our 2nd performance for the Volusia County Dances at Spruce Creek High School at 6:00pm. Tickets will be available at the door for $5.00. Come support your local school and studio dance programs and see some talented dancers!

Works in Progress will be November 18th at 6:00pm, here at Ivy Hawn. This will be the first time Junior and Senior Teams will perform a preview of all of their dances for the season! Tickets will go on sale for $5.00 starting November 1st through Mrs. Kushner and Mrs. McCarthy. Come support your favorite dancers and see a spectacular show!

**Agriculture** - The middle school agriculture classes have been working on many different projects. In an effort to include you in some of what has been happening in class, please feel free to watch this short video clip https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hPZdUV9ARjQ&t=8s and please join our class Remind for updates about what we have going on. Class Remind Codes: 6th & 7th grade: @22introag 8th grade: @22funag. Our Ivy Hawn FFA T-shirts have been ordered, however, extra were ordered. If your student would like to join, please have them get a form from Mrs. Potter. Our upcoming FFA Meeting dates are: October 18th, November 15th, and December 14th.

**STEAM** - Ralph Ellison said Education is all a matter of building bridges and that’s exactly what we have been doing in STEAM! During this project we explored the basic physics of bridges, what makes them structurally strong, and the many factors that are considered in engineering and building one. Armed with new knowledge, students chose a truss bridge design, used graph paper to draw plans for the bridge they would build and then, using toothpicks and school glue, they constructed their own bridge.

**Drama** - Dessert Theater Performance; Tue. Nov. 1 6:00 pm–8:00 pm Cafetorium Free admission—Come purchase desserts and support the Jr. Thespians as they prepare for their district competition. Desserts will be offered for $1 to $5. Jr. Thespians will show their Individual events.

One Act Performance; Thru. Nov. 3  Show time 6pm  Stage  Suggested donation $5. We will be showing parents and friends the Jr. Thespian Competition one act entitled: The Odyssey by RN Sandburg from Homer’s epic poem. Jr. Thespians District One Act Competition: Friday, November 4 at Lake Mary High School Jr. Thespians District IE’s Competition; Saturday, November 5 at Lake Mary High School

**Digital Arts** - The Yearbook Classes are working on perfecting and choosing the different page designs that will be used in this year’s yearbook. Be on the lookout for some of our yearbook staff as they begin visiting classes all around campus as they photograph teachers and students in action!

The Photography Classes are beginning to learn about portrait photography and the different types of lighting. We will incorporate what they have learned about composition & photography essentials and expand their knowledge by learning about techniques for post processing and photo editing. Stay tuned for our Personality Portrait Project Photos to be shared soon!

Our Yearbook Cover Design Contest winner will be announced on Monday, 10/10. We had so many amazing entries, Ivy Hawn truly has some very talented artists!