



Hagood Highlights Newsletter

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Home & School Connection

Read Between the Lines

Learning to infer, or "read between the lines," is one key to good reading comprehension. Consider these tips for helping your child make inferences when he reads.

Describe the setting. Pick a book, and read a few sentences to your child (without him looking). Leave out words that name the setting. *Example: "Sand stretched in all directions... cacti dotted the landscape. Can he infer where the story is set? If he isn't sure, give him a hint.*

Look for lessons. Fables are great for reading between the lines. Read one by Aesop, and help your child figure out the lesson. For instance, *The Tortoise and the Hare* teaches that even if you are slow, you can win if you just keep going. Have your child point out parts that he used to make the inference.

Use prompts. Questions that start with "Why do you think...?" or "How do you know...?" can encourage your child to infer. You might ask why he thinks a character behaved the way he did or how he knows it is going to snow. Together, look for clues in the book that may help him find the answer.

Dates to Remember

March 1	Student Council Meeting, 2:30-3:30 p.m.
2	Dr. Seuss Day (Students can dress as their favorite Dr. Seuss character.)
3	Wendy's Night, 5:00-8:00 p.m.
4	Student Leadership Luncheon
15	Honor Chorus Performance, Rock Springs Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m.
17	Special Persons Breakfast, Grades K-2, 7:30-8:30
18	Special Persons Breakfast, Grades 3-5, 7:30-8:30 a.m.
21	Book Fair Begins End of 3 rd Nine Weeks
22	Last Day for YAMS
24	Nifty 50's Family Night, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
25	Book Fair Ends Snow Make up Day
28-4/1	Spring Break

Special Persons Breakfast

Our PTO is hosting a special persons breakfast entitled, "You are my LUCKY charm." We would love to have students invite people that are special to them. It could be grandparents, parents, aunt, uncle, or a close friend. The maximum number for each student to invite is 4. Kindergarten – Second Grades will be on March 17 and grades 3-5 will be on March 18. Both breakfasts will be from 7:30-8:30 a.m. We look forward to seeing you!

Nifty 50's Family Night

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Hagood is hosting a spring family literacy night on March 24 from 5:30-7:30. Below is a list of events for the night!

View classic cars at the car show, Visit classrooms, Eat in Hagood's diner, Shop at the booming book fair, Create a soda float, Play hopscotch and limbo, Learn the Hand Jive, Dance at Hagood's sock sop, Hear great 50's music and see a special performance from the Hagood teachers!

Breakfast Food

Just a reminder to parents, only breakfast provided by the school is allowed at school. Food from home or local restaurants is not allowed to be brought into the classrooms. Students have the opportunity to order a nutritious breakfast each morning.

Special Note

The school office at Hagood will be closed on Feb. 29 from 10:00 am – 1:30 pm.

Playground Equipment

PTO is moving forward with purchasing new playground equipment. They are currently contacting vendors/companies to get quotes. It won't be too much longer before they will be able to move forward with the project.

16-17 School Calendar

The SDPC 2016-17 School Calendar has been approved & can be found on the district webpage under calendars: www.pickens.k12.sc.us. School begins on Tuesday, August 16, 2016.