

# Specials Area Newsletter

## Physical Education

We will be starting our month with SNAG golf. Our first grade students will be doing SNAG activities in which they will be introduced to putting and chipping. Our kindergarten students will be doing alternative games and activities. After SNAG we will move into our Kicking and Trapping Unit. This unit focuses on the development of foot-striking skills such as dribbling, passing and kicking a ball. The students will learn the skills through exploration and experimentation. These foundational skills will give the students the appropriate first steps towards participating in sports such as soccer, football, and kickball.

Sincerely, Coach Hicks, Coach Carmichael and Coach Connor

## Spanish

¡Hola! We are really proud of our students in Spanish! It is rewarding to see them learn about other countries, practice basic conversation, and grow their vocabulary. Thank you for encouraging your child to actively participate when they come to Spanish class.

In kindergarten we are talking about our community. Next we will begin a new unit called "Vamos a aprender" (Let's learn.) We will be learning all about school: identifying places in the school, naming and describing school supplies, and identifying classroom activities. We will learn about the island of the Dominican Republic.

In first grade we had so much fun turning our classroom into a restaurant. Some students became guests as they ordered food and others waiters/waitresses that took orders. They used questions, phrases, and vocabulary they had learned during our food unit. We are currently reviewing and learning about Hispanic culture. We will soon begin a new unit on travel. Our country of focus will be Argentina.

♥♥♥¡Feliz día de San Valentín!♥♥♥

-Señora Barker & Señora Melendez

## Music

Kindergarten's first concert is right around the corner! The concert will be performed at The Villages Charter Middle School on Thursday, February 8th at 6:00pm. Students will need to arrive at the Middle School Gymnasium at 5:45. All friends and family members are welcomed to come and join our concert.

Dress for the evening concert:

Girls: Dress, Skirt/shirt,  
Pants/Shirt

Boys: Pants and shirt  
School Uniforms are not required.  
Please No flip flops

1st grade are finishing up their work on instrument families. Next, we will be exploring rhythms in many different ways during the month of February. Then each student will compose their own rhythmic piece and play their piece for their classmates.

## Arts in the Park Dates:

**Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.** ALL Kindergarten classes will be showcased.

**Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>** ALL 1st grade classes will be showcased.

Students will need to arrive at the PC by 5:45 both nights

Ms. Fraser & Mr. Lehnowsky

**Happy Valentine's Day**

## Art

We "love" to create new Art! The students really enjoyed working with technology in January when we learned about the history of animation. However, we are happy to get back to our roots and begin February with some drawing lessons and some watercolor painting! Kindergarten will work on a piece called "Birds on a Wire". It's a simple drawing lesson with some cute little birdies.

We will use a variety of watercolors to complete this painting. The First Graders will complete a piece called "Kitty (or Puppy) in the Window". These are adorable drawings when done! They will also complete their piece with a variety of bright colors using watercolor paint.

Best Wishes, Mrs. Broaderick and Mrs. Sanchez