**March, 2022**

IMPORTANT MARCH DATES:

\*March 10th -Spring and Class Picture Day

\*March 15th - HLA Board of Directors meeting -4:00 p.m.

\*March 21st-25th -No School - Spring Break

\*March 28th -No School- Teacher Workday

\*April 5th -4th & 5th FSA writing

\*April 7th-8th -3rd FSA ELA

\*May 3rd-4th -4th & 5th FSA ELA

\*May 9th-10th -3rd, 4th, & 5th FSA Math

\*May 16th-17th -5th FSA science

\*We have a picture day on Thursday 3/10, this will be both portraits and class pictures. These will be the photos used for this year's yearbook. Please avoid wearing green!

\*Volunteering will resume March 1st. We have decided to lift the required volunteer hours for this school year, however we know many have been missing the opportunity to help around HLA the past two years, and we have missed the immense help from our volunteers. Anyone wishing to volunteer will need to complete the Raptor volunteer application and background check, which is available to complete on the HLA website. As this is still a fluid situation we will have to limit the number of volunteers at school at any given time. If you wish to help out you will need to sign up on the Sign Up Genius links on our website, volunteers will NOT be allowed to enter the building if they have not signed up and completed the application prior. Each class will have their own list of activities that they need help with as well as a school wide sign up. Per recent School Board of Alachua County guidelines, masks will be optional for all visitors and volunteers.

\*Yearbooks are now on sale. Yearbook orders are due by April 25th to guarantee delivery before the end of the school year.<https://www.treering.com/validate?PassCode=101323368010665>

\*Students will be taking the Florida Standards Assessment on various days starting in April. **It is imperative that all students arrive at school before 7:45 a.m. (before 7:40 is best to give children time to check in and unpack their belongings) to minimize interruptions.** Students will be testing in all areas of the school. Please do not schedule appointments in the morning on test days to avoid test interruptions. All 3rd through 5th grade students are required to take the FSA.

\*We have had some issues with students not following the HLA dress code. As the weather starts to warm up please remember that students need to wear closed toe shoes and socks everyday, no sandals, boots, etc. This is for their safety, students without proper shoes will not be allowed to participate in PE or recess. Also, please make sure your child’s shirts, shorts, skirts are an appropriate length, no spaghetti straps, open backs or bare midriffs.