

Hunter Knight Line

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From the Principal:

Welcome back to Hunter Elementary School! I hope you are ready for a wonderful school year. Each issue of the *Hunter Knight Line* will include the following articles:

- **A Message from the Principal:** Information for all students and parents. This article will include community council updates, information on upcoming events, and reports on past events.
- **Grade Level Spotlight:** We will spotlight a different grade level each month. You will notice we are starting with 6th grade this month. If you need information about a specific grade level or class note mentioned in the newsletter, please contact that particular grade and/or teacher.
- **Hunter PTA Update:** Information on the Hunter Elementary PTA. Please contact Becky Crowther if you have ideas and/ or information for the PTA
- We will include other articles as needed.



Safety Concern

Thank you for your help and patience in Hunter Elementary's student drop-off zone both before school and after school. In such a "tight space" it is necessary that we have follow a few simple guidelines:

- **Take speed limits seriously**, especially in the parking lot and student drop-off zone.
- **Be patient and courteous to other drivers.**
- **No double parking.**
- **Watch for students as you enter and leave the parking lot.** Though the students have been taught to stay on the sidewalks, a few may stray. It is imperative that you be cautious and continually watch for students.
- **Do not leave your car unattended in the parking lot or student drop-off zone.**
- **Do not park in the handicapped spaces unless you have the required permit and/or license plate.**
- **Always pick up and drop off children in the designated areas.** We are asking that you pick up/drop off students curbside on the east-side of the drop-off zone. **No parking the on the west side of the drop-off zone.** This will prevent students from running out through the parking lot and into traffic. Refer to the school map provided in registration packet for Hunter Elementary students. If you did not receive a map outlining this plan, please see us in the office for a copy.
- **Close in gaps in the student drop-off zone** to allow for more cars in the lane.

As Principal of Hunter Elementary, my number one goal is to make sure our students are safe and in control. If you are not obeying these guidelines, you will be issued a Hunter Elementary Parking Violation. Please help us keep your students safe by following these simple guidelines.

Grade Level Spotlight: 6th Grade

The sixth grade teachers are looking forward to a great year, with some fun and exciting changes. Below you will find out who the 6th grade teachers are, along with our new schedule and what procedures to expect.

Whose Who in the Sixth Grade?

First of all we want to welcome Mrs. Rider to our sixth grade team. She will be our reading and social studies teacher this year. Mrs. Marsing will be teaching math, and Mrs. Pate will be teaching writing, spelling and P.E. One of the big changes happening this year is with Mrs. Parsons. She will be teaching the 5th and 6th grade science.

Sixth Grade Schedule

Due to Mrs. Parsons teaching both 5th and 6th grades, we have had to adjust our schedules. We now have A, B, and C day schedules, where students go through all rotations each day. Your child was given a schedule to place in their planner, so take a look if you have any questions.

We have two schedules for Friday. One

with science, and one without science. Again, if you have any questions, please check your child's planner.

Missing Work and TGIF

Missing work reports will be sent out every Monday. Any work that is missing will be due by that Friday. Any work not turned in by the end of school on Friday will be given a zero.

Each Friday we celebrate TGIF (Thank Goodness it's Friday) or we have FISH (Friday in Study Hall). Students who have no missing assignments will participate in TGIF, and students who have missing assignments are given the opportunity to work on them in study hall.

Please Take Note:

Lunch prices are different than what is printed in the Student Handbook.

Lunch: \$1.40

Breakfast: \$.85

A Few Helpful Hints

As this new school year gets underway, I thought it might be helpful to put together a few ideas to help both you and your student get the school year off on the right foot.

- **Get to know your student's teacher.** Introduce yourself either in person or in a note. It is a nice way to begin,
- **Offer to help.** Ask your student's teacher what you can do to help either by volunteering in the classroom or what you can do from home. All teachers could use your help.
- **Get to know other parents with students attending Hunter.** It is wonderful to have a support system of people you can call for help and encouragement.
- **Read with your student.** It is an enjoyable way to build a desire to read, and it gives your student a big advantage.
- **Get to know your student's interests.**

What are they interested in—dogs, dinosaurs, princesses, or planets? Tune in to your student's interests and find books on those topics.

- **Talk about school.** Regular conversation helps strengthen many of the skills students need in reading, thinking, asking questions, and putting information together.
- **Show your excitement.** Look through your child's schoolbooks. Point out interesting things you find. "Oh look. You'll be reading _____. That was one of my favorite stories when I was young."

I hope you find these ideas helpful as you begin this new school year.

