

# HUSKY HIGHLIGHTS

## NEWSLETTER

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### *FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S PEN...*

Happy New Year!!! Yes, it seems a little “odd” to be wishing you a Happy New Year in mid-September, but to the children and staff, it truly is a fresh start and a chance to make some New Year’s Resolutions! This year, our school has been challenged by many changes due to the budgetary issues that afflict our district and our state, but I would like to thank everyone, especially staff members who are excited to provide a safe, enriching, and challenging learning environment for all of our students. A special thank you, also to the parents who have supported our school with the lengthy supply list and our “Wishing Tree” of items needed in the classroom. If you are not familiar with our “Wishing Tree”, found in the front office, it hosts a variety of materials that teachers are hoping to have donated to our school. For example, our preschool/kindergarten would really appreciate the donation of an old rowboat or a large sandbox, as our new playground has wood chips and the children miss digging in the sand. When you are in the office, please check out our “Wishing Tree” as there might be something you aren’t using that could easily be donated!

We would also like to thank all of the students and parents who participated in our Entertainment Book Sales and the upcoming Read-A-Thon. Our Read-a-Thon, or as I like to call it, Read-A-TON, asks students to get pledges from family and friends for reading at home. We are going to kick-off our Read-A-TON with a Family Read-In in our Media Center on Wednesday, October 14th at 6:30. Come bring a book and enjoy starting the Read-A-Ton with other bookworms! Be watching your child’s backpack for more information in the next few weeks!

As you are probably well aware, the H1N1, or “Swine” flu virus has been a hot topic in the news and it’s impact on schools. With our children sitting closely together in the classroom, we have to be extra vigilant about students coming to school ill. We are asking that if your child is sick, please keep them home!!! **They need to stay home 24 hours after they are fever free. The “Swine” flu mimics the regular flu or cold, with runny nose, sore throat, and upper respiratory symptoms. The problem with the “Swine” flu is that sometimes there is a fever and sometimes there is not, so being “fever free” is not necessarily a marker of being able to return to school.** Please consider whether or not your child is truly well enough to return to school before you allow them to come back. As the schools receive more information, we will be sending it home to parents.

One of the ways we can help prevent the spread of the “Swine” flu or any cold/flu is through the use of hand washing, constant hand washing. Please help us reinforce the necessity of hand washing after using the restroom, coughing, sneezing and before eating. Teaching your child to “cough” or sneeze into their elbow or into a tissue, then throwing the tissue away immediately will help us keep germs to a minimum. If at all possible, we would greatly appreciate additional donations of liquid hand soap, liquid hand sanitizer, antibacterial wet wipes, and Kleenex.

This is also the last “hard copy” newsletter you will be receiving unless you take a moment to return the slip at the bottom of page 2 requesting paper copies of this and PTSA newsletters. In an attempt to “go green” and to save money, we will be posting our newsletters on the school website, <http://hhes.pvschools.net> This website has information regarding our school, upcoming events and links to other sites. Check it out!

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## Wishing Tree

In the office, you will find a beautiful tree painted on the wall by Mr. Moles. There are many apples on this tree. Each apple is a wish from a teacher or staff member for something they need for their classroom. If you have a moment please stop by, pick an apple and provide the teacher with the requested item. It may be something you already have at home or an inexpensive item from the store. Any act of generosity or help you can give will be greatly appreciated. Some of the things you will find on the tree are listed below.

- Chart Tablets
- Exam Gloves
- Pencil Sharpener
- Disinfecting Wipes
- File Folders w/Pockets
- Dry Erase Markers
- Notebook Filler Paper
- Small Toys For A Prize Box
- Colored Pencils
- Scissors
- Toy Cash Register
- Small Toys
- No. 2 Pencils
- Letter Size Hanging File Folders

### Macy's

#### Shop For The Cause Event!

Discount shopping pass & coupon for exclusive savings at Macy's on **October 17th**  
 Pass is \$5 (total goes directly to Hidden Hills)  
 Macy's donates to charity for all items purchased  
 Passes available at the office or through  
 order form in Monday Folder

### Are You A PTSA Member?

Stay connected and be an important part of enriching the lives and educational experiences of Hidden Hills students! Individual memberships are only \$6. Contact Marcy at [HHptsa@cox.net](mailto:HHptsa@cox.net)

### Picture Day is

**September 24th**

**Don't forget to look your best!**

### Entertainment Books Still Available!

**For only \$30 you can get great discounts all year at the places you love best!**

[HHptsa@cox.net](mailto:HHptsa@cox.net)

### Read A Ton!

Begins October 5th  
 Celebrate literacy with us on Wednesday, October 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the Media Center  
 Come in your PJs for fun reading activities!

**Remember - School Starts at 8:25!**

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## Novel H1N1 (Swine) Influenza Information

### Prevention:

- Cover nose & mouth with sleeve for coughs & sneezes
- Wash hands frequently & thoroughly (15 seconds min) with soap & water or use hand sanitizer
- Wash hands after contact with others
- Limit contact with people who are ill
- Stay home from work or school if you are ill

### Symptoms:

- Fever - usually high
- Cough
- Sneezing (sometimes)
- Fatigue & weakness
- Extreme exhaustion
- Chest discomfort
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Runny/stuffy nose (sometimes)
- Sore muscles
- General discomfort
- Stomach problems and diarrhea may occur

**Please do not send your child to school until they have been fever free for at least 24 hours.** For more information, please stop by the nurse's office or visit [www.stopthespread.az.org](http://www.stopthespread.az.org)

COUNT ME IN!

## RESPONSE CARD

Please apply my donation\* of

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

(up to \$200 for single or head of household; up to \$400 per married couple)

to extracurricular activity programs at this school:

(See back panel for list of schools)

I wish to designate this money for:

- general fees
- athletics
- visual/performing arts
- other \_\_\_\_\_
- any extracurricular activity

Please provide information for your receipt:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please turn in to front office (at elementary/middle schools), the bookstore (at high schools) or mail directly to the school.

Tax credit can be claimed on personal tax returns only. Contributions from businesses are welcome. Such contributions are deductible, but cannot be used to claim a tax credit.

## Newsletter Response Card

I would like a printed newsletter sent home with my child

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this response card to the office by 10/5/09

## Community Education Corner

For information about after school enrichment classes, Mascot Club or use of district buildings for your events, please visit the Community Education website at

<http://comed.pvschools.net/>

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## Courtesy Card Winners for August!

### Be Respectful

#### First Grade

Jayson W.  
Jenna W.  
Michael M.  
Zoe P.  
Brandon W.  
Kathryn C.  
Alexa S.  
Nicole P.  
Matt  
Nathan A.  
Mitchell S.

#### First/Second Grade

Julie  
Michael H.  
Noemi B.

#### Second Grade

Ashton H.  
Chase K.  
Michael H.

#### Third Grade

Grace R.  
Harrison H.

#### Fifth Grade

Eva L.  
Sarah M.  
Elizabeth T.  
Gabriel C.  
Anthony C.  
Andrew L.  
Clarice S.  
Brooke P.  
Mackenzie R.  
Fernando A.  
Domi T.  
Daniel C.  
Alex P.  
Alex E.  
Maree L.  
James M.  
Jasmine T.

#### Sixth Grade

Lexie P.

### Be Safe

#### Second Grade

Santiago D.  
Clemente C.

### Be Responsible

#### First Grade

Moriah G.  
Bridgette B.  
Alexander K.  
Sofia L.  
Codee C.  
Olivia T.  
Andrew B.  
Johnathon S.  
Erik H.  
Chloe H.  
Tatum B.  
Rosa M.  
Matthew T.  
Eli B.  
Austin B.  
James H.  
Andrew M.

#### First/Second Grade

Clemente C.  
Faith M.

#### Second Grade

Sarah G.  
Edonte C.  
Bridgette A.  
Matt W.  
Katrina R.

#### Third Grade

Andre C.  
Will W.

#### Fourth Grade

Sam G.  
Kalyn C.  
DeAngelo M.

### Be Responsible

#### Fifth Grade

Mikayla O.  
Elli L.  
Alex K.  
Brandon M.  
Gabe C.  
Amanda B.  
Jasmine T.  
Shyann M.

#### Sixth Grade

Guadalupe R.  
Chase S.  
Michael G.  
John R.