Appreciation and Celebration

Great, big thanks for staff breakfast last week to the family of **Lucas Guaglardi** and this week, **Ben Oldford!**

Thanks to the family of **Victoria Tsang** for donating plastic utensils to replenish staff supply.

Thanks for SO MANY contributions of time and treasures for the yard sale that was a huge success! We have raised over \$1700 for Prom and UNICEF and growing as we try to sell the last few big items online. A special shout out to our Clark crew of Omar, Fernando, and Mr. C who spent a lot of time and muscle unloading items as they rolled in. Another huge thanks to our amazing parents who helped with set up and the day of the sale: Jayme Golden, Thuy Tsang, Jim Coleman, Lauriel Damm, and Donna O'Brien.

CONGRATULATIONS Clark senior, **Hannah Martin!!!** Hannah accomplished big things as a SFHS runner and signed her national letter of intent! Southern Mississippi is lucky to have a scholar athlete like you!



Congratulations a stellar junior, **Jade Nunez**. Jade was selected as the 2019-20 Martin County Sunshine State. Jade will represent Martin County in this annual STEM competition held in Orlando on March 28-29.

The Clark caring student of the week is **Jasmyne Echevarria**. She was mentioned by a few peers for helping study, sharing notes, helping with homework, and simply being kind. What a positive peer!

As seen on the Elev8Hope facebook page this week: "Meet Kylie. She is one of our amazing students who attends Clark Advanced Learning Center. While she was in last week handling our banking needs for Elev8hope I mentioned that one of our students changed our passwords on our laptops and forgot to write it down. So we were locked out. She decided to use her networking leadership skills. She collected all the laptops and went to Mr. Fears at her school. She also asked for assistance from her student President. Together the students and Mr. Fears were able to help us get back online so our youth groups that come in at night time to get homework help have computers. This is our youth learning to problem solve, network and work as a team so that our students in need have everything they need to excel. We are ELEV8HOPE. NICE JOB KYLIE." Thanks for all you do, **Kylie Becraft!** Also pictured, Mr. Fears and Lucas Guaglardi.



Announcements and Reminders

Interim grades are posted in FOCUS. Please remember, these were pulled last Friday and may have changed since then, so please check the current grades for high school courses. The Clark DE grades will be posted in FOCUS through 2/21. I have attached a tutoring schedule for Clark classes if your/your student's grades are not where they should be. Don't be afraid to reach out for help!

Eat at Chipotle for a good cause this Monday! Flyer attached.

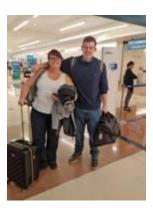
Stars over Stuart flyer attached

Mrs. Gribble and some of her amazing art students participated in **ArtsFest** last weekend. L-R: **Nicole Reyes-Madrid, Chris Wood, John Wetterer, Crystal Aguilar, Juliana Vallone.**



We've been learning more each day about the contributions of African Americans past and present who have shaped our world. **IRSC** is hosting many activities in celebration of Black History Month. See attached and hope to attend one or more!

Good luck **Nick Lynch** as he travels with coach, Mrs. Hutcheson, to Harvard for a national debate tournament this weekend.



NHS has begun a **mental wellness resource board** that is located outside of the KR. Stop by to see where you can get help for yourself or those you care about with a variety of issues. Don't forget that we also have many options for help through Ms. Jones.

A service dog in training will begin making an appearance at Clark/IRSC with Juliana Sequeria next week as part of her final girl scout project. Remember, "Kevin" will be working while here, which means he is not to be pet, approached, etc. without guidance from his handler, Juliana.

We can all be heroes by **giving to the LLS "Collect for Cures"** student series program! Clark's Interact Club is sponsoring fundraising opportunities for The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society throughout the month of February. Thanks for supporting this worthy cause as LLS continues to find ways to beat blood cancers! Donations are being accepted online from donors near and far! Clark's online page for contributions- http://events.lls.org/pages/pb/Clark-Advanced-Learning-Center-2020

Blood drops will be sold for \$1 the week of February 17-21. Donors will sign and hang a blood drop to show their generosity and caring as part of Collect for Cures drive!

The final fundraising activity by Clark's Interact Club for LLS will be February 26 and 27 in car line and lunchtime when the "bucket" is passed for LLS as this month's Change for Change collection. Video link for Student Series video clip: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kl1dbdl3N5s -- hear from afflicted and recovering young people who need our many heroes contributing to heal – and for scientists to find cures!!!!!



Strawberry Fest needs volunteers March 21st-22nd at Memorial Park, 300 SE Ocean Blvd, Stuart. If interested, contact Volunteer Coordinator/Faith Relations Liaison for Habitat for Humanity at volunteer@habitatmartin.org or 772-223-9940 ext: 2226

Info for Parents

The Martin County Sheriff's Office is urging parents to monitor their children's social media accounts, particularly if they are using the app SnapChat. That's after some local students received sexually explicit communications from an unknown user. The user trolls the app seeking friends. Once the users accept the request, he sends disturbing and explicit sexual content. The suspect user then pins the target's location. Which means, he can see the user's physical location. If your child has received a communication like this, please call Sergeant James Maltese. Or students can contact their school SRO.

Article: How to Help Teenage Girls Reframe Anxiety and Strengthen Resilience

Reminder of Parents as Partners session on Thursday, February 20 @ 6 pm in Clark's Knowledge Room. Students are welcome to attend as well. Alex Arnold, our Financial Aid Specialist for IRSC-Chastain Campus, will share an overview of the "FAFSA" – the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, which must be completed for EVERY student attending ANY college, as well as valuable information on financial aid and scholarships, plus updates on programs and majors available at IRSC.

Robyn Cryer, Partnership Specialist with the U.S. Census Bureau, will provide a presentation on the importance of completing the 2020 Census and counting everyone, including children.

You won't want to miss hearing the astonishing facts of how the Census Data affects our Representation and impacts the allocation of Federally Funded Programs such as the National School Lunch Program, Head Start, WIC, and many others.

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