HELC NEWS

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IMPORTANT: HELC Renovation project will begin this weekend

As many of our families know, HELC has been in need of a new roof along with other various exterior renovations for some time. The project to complete this work was initiated last year through Auburn University and the team chosen will begin this weekend. The work will take place after hours and over the weekends for several months. The only major impact to HELC during the week will be that the playground located in the area they are working will be closed until that area is complete (several weeks). We will schedule accommodations for the classrooms to share one playground during this project so everyone can still enjoy outdoor play. We appreciate your patience and support during this much needed renovation!



Fall Pictures Scheduled

This year, HELC has decided to use Focus Creative Photography for school pictures. Kassady Gibson (also a former HELC Parent), will take Individual Fall pictures September 18-19. Sibling pictures and pictures of babies who are not yet here will be taken in the spring.



Important Dates

September 6— PreK Health Screening

September 18-19— Fall Pictures

September 24— Fall Picture Makeup Day

September 26- Parent

seminar

September 24-26— Speech and Hearing Screening

October 7- Fall Parent Fair

November 11— Veteran's Day— CLOSED

November 27-29— Thanks-giving Holiday— CLOSED

December 23– January 1st— Holiday Break— CLOSED



SchoolCast Used As Parent Notification System

HELC will continue to use SchoolCast as a form of communication with parents for two different purposes. Most importantly, we will use SchoolCast to alert parents of school closings, school delays, or emergency situations. This system can be used to email, call, or text all families as soon as we need to get in touch with you. We will use the numbers and emails you provided on your emergency contact sheet. In addition to using this dur-

ing emergency situations, this system is used to send the HELC Newsletter, to notify you of upcoming events and to send reminders through email.



Parent Rep Information

You should have received a welcome email from the HELC Parent Rep Group Chair discussing our new communication platform (Membership Toolkit), PRG donations and opportunities to volunteer as a classroom Parent Representative. There are still many rooms that do not have a Parent Rep yet. If you would like to volunteer, please go to:

https://harriselc.membershiptoolkit.com/sign_ups.

Our first Parent Rep meeting of the school year will be September 18th from 12-1PM in the Chicka Room. All parents are welcome!

Please contact Anne Michelle Barnett (anne-michelle.barnett@bbva.com or helc.parentrep@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Parent Reminders

• **Payments-** Please be sure to make the following **SEPARATE** payments:

\$180 Supply Fee

\$150 for the week of August 27-31 (new families only)

September Tuition (visit our website to begin making online tuition payments)

- **Immunization Forms** You can submit your child's up to date Immunization Form at the Front Desk
- Medication Forms
 — Don't forget to complete a form for any medication, diaper cream, lotion, etc. your child will need while at school
- **Handbook Acknowledgement-** Please turn in a signed form if you have not already done so

Please see the third page of the newsletter for a little information about our new Administrative Assistant, Laura Pierce.

Laura has been with us for several weeks and has already met many of our HELC families. If you have not met her yet, don't forget to stop by the front desk and say hello!

All About Me

My family:



Hobbies:



I am an AUBURN fan!



war eagle!

My name is Laura Pierce. I am 24 years old. I married my high school sweet heart in 2014. We have 2 little boys, Rhett who is 4 and Bryson who is 5 months.

I am so excited to join the Harris ELC family!