



**Greetings Parents/Guardians!**

A blessed and Favorable February to you and your families.

Let's continue to work together to help our children achieve more!

**February is know as the Love month —How well do you show Love to your family?**

~ Do you communicate sincerely and truthfully with your child, daily?

~ Do you show your child affection, daily?

~ Do you encourage and or motivate your child, daily?

~ Do you show your child appreciation, daily?

**DO YOU KNOW YOUR HISTORY?**



**Theme:** Honoring the Stalwarts of Our History in the Community

**Whole School Celebration**

Date: Friday, Feb. 23rd, 2024

Time: 7:45 a.m. - 8:25 a.m.

Place: Gym-hall

Various local icons will be invited to share their specific art with the students. Each group will highlight a different aspect of our local history and present during the program.

**HSC Bulletin**

School Theme 2023 – 2024:

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**Character Education**

The virtue of the month of February is: **Appreciation** – Respectful devotion (dedication) or allegiance to one's country and or school.

Each week an aspect of the virtue is discussed. The following will be highlighted:

Grateful – *Psalms 136:1a*

Sincere – *Colossians 3:17*

Truthful - *Proverbs 12:19*

Generous - *2 Corinthians 9: 6*

**PARENTAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

Please, be reminded of the importance your contribution plays in your child's educational experience. Kindly ensure that your contribution has been made as soon as possible.

Please remember the fees for students attending Early Childhood must be paid by the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month.

The contribution for the Community School program also has to be paid by the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month.

**PRIMARY SCHOOL 3-ON-3**

**BASKETBALL COMPETITION** - This competition is being held every Saturday at the L.B. Scot Sports Auditorium - Long Wall Rd. between the time 11:30 a.m.—1:45 p.m. at varying times. You can contact our school for specific times as to when our schools will be playing. Do come out and support our teams as they play their hearts out, weekly.

**FRIENDLY REMINDERS:**

1. **DRESS CODE:**
  - A. **SOCKS:** must be white or light blue.
  - B. **BLACK SHOES**—sneakers are allowed
  - C. **ALL UNIFORM SETS** - must be comfortably fit , not too short or tight.
  - D. **HAIRDOS:** must be well groomed and in accordance with the school rules.

Parents, when entering our school premises , we expect you to dress appropriately so you can be an example to our students. NO back/belly out, extra short pants, strapless clothing etc. You must be decently covered at all times.
2. **HOMEWORK/PROJECTS:** Please check your child's agenda, daily, for all assignments.
3. **LATE COMING:** We kindly remind all parents, that it is your responsibility to bring your child (ren) to school on time, daily.
4. **ABSENTEEISM:** Please notify the school in writing or via phone of your child's absence,.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Wednesday, Feb. 14th** - OH  
SWEET DAY SALE - \$1.50 per item

Cupcakes and Cookies—limited stock

**Friday, Feb 23rd** - POPCORN SALE:  
\$1.00

Each year the graduating class at Helmich Snijders organizes various fundraisers as a means of helping to fund their end-of-year class activities. More details coming soon.

Facebook Page/ Website

Check out our Facebook page and website for upcoming activities and also pictures of our students.

Facebook Page

[www.facebook.com/helmichsnijdershcs/](http://www.facebook.com/helmichsnijdershcs/)

Website

[www.helmichsnijderscampus.net](http://www.helmichsnijderscampus.net)

Term 2 Report Card  
2023-2024

The end of the second Term for this school year is quickly approaching. Students are encouraged to remain focused, be diligent and work hard!

Cycle 1—Groups 1-4

Date: Wed. March 13th 2024

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Cycle 2—Groups 5-8

Date: Thurs. March 14th, 2024

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Department of Youth Presents—  
Children's Rights ART Competition

This competition is geared towards the students of groups 7 & 8. Students will have to draw, paint or use another art form to visualize their favorite Children's Right.

**Deadline: April 5th, 2024**

Students should contact Ms. Barbij in order to sign up.

PARENTING TIPS

Teaching our students about **responsibility** is a crucial aspect of their education. It helps them develop essential life skills and prepares them for adulthood. Here are some ways to instill a sense of responsibility in students.

- Model Responsibility:** As educators and parents, we must lead by example. Demonstrating responsible behavior in our actions, words, and decisions sets a positive tone for students in and outside of the classroom.
- Classroom Expectations:** As educators and teachers we must clearly define expectations for responsible behavior in the classroom. Discuss rules, routines, and consequences. Encourage students to take ownership of their actions.
- Assign Responsibilities:** Give students age-appropriate tasks and responsibilities. Whether it's organizing materials, leading a group discussion, or caring for classroom plants, these tasks foster a sense of duty. At home children should also have a list of age appropriate tasks and responsibility that must be done, weekly.
- Discuss Consequences:** Help students understand that their actions have consequences. Discuss both positive and negative outcomes. Encourage critical thinking about choices.
- Collaborative Projects:** Engage students in group projects. Working together teaches cooperation, accountability, and the importance of fulfilling one's role.
- Reflect and Evaluate:** Regularly discuss responsibility. Ask questions like, "How did you handle that situation?" or "What could you have done differently?" Encourage self-reflection.
- Community Service:** Involve students in community service or volunteer work. It reinforces the idea of contributing positively to society.

[teaching our students the importance of being responsible - Search \(bing.com\)](#)

Vacation Schedule  
2023 – 2024

Mid-Term II Break: Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>

Easter Break: Mar. 28<sup>th</sup> - Apr. 1<sup>st</sup>

Carnival/King's Birthday/Labor

Day Break: Apr. \*29<sup>th</sup> - May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Ascension Day: May 9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>

Emancipation Day: July 1<sup>st</sup>

***Last Day of school year 2023 –  
2024 is June \*25<sup>th</sup>, 2024***

*\*Adjustments made to dates by the Ministry of Education,  
Culture, Youth and Sports as per Oct. 27th, 2023*

Birthday GreetingsFebruary

Congratulations to all our boys and girls. May the Lord grant you many more years of life!

