

# S.S. DIXON INTERMEDIATE



JR. PATRIOTS

## From the Principal's Desk

Mrs. Floyd

Welcome back Jr. Patriots! We are looking forward to a great start to the year 2022 and a great second semester here at SSDI.

We have lots of exciting opportunities and learning that will be taking place all over campus.

Our STAR Test C Window for students opens on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

Your child will complete the STAR Reading, STAR Math, and the

Science FOCUS assessment with their class by February 4<sup>th</sup>. These

assessments will show us the learning gains they have made since

the beginning of the school year.

We will be rolling out a monthly science challenge each month this year! The Science Challenge of the

month will be done outside of the school day and will be a great

opportunity to engage in learning with your child. Details for the

month of January will be coming home with students on January

14<sup>th</sup>!

Florida Celebrates Literacy Week will

blast off on the week of January 25<sup>th</sup>. This will be an exciting week

for our students and community.

Our Jr. Patriots will be engaged in earth space related literacy that

has hands on STEAM activities intergrated into their lessons.

Students will be participating with their 4 C's (communicating,

collaborating, thinking critically, and creating) while making real world

connections and being exposed to career pathways. We hope to see

our "out of this world" families at our "Reading Under the Stars"

event on January 27<sup>th</sup>.

Field trips are back on and our grade levels are working hard to plan off-

campus educational opportunities for our students.

## Title One Information

Our Title One Parent Input Survey is available on our school FB page

and our school website. It will be open through January 26<sup>th</sup>.

If you have not already done so, please be sure to fill out a free and

reduced lunch meal application. Yes, breakfast and lunch are still FREE

for all students for the remainder of the school year. But, our Title

One status is still determined based on our number of students that

qualify for free and reduced lunch.

There is a paper copy coming home soon and we greatly appreciate your help with this!

## COVID Updates

For the most up-to-date student flow chart and COVID guidelines- please visit the Santa Rosa School District Website.

[Santa Rosa Home - Santa Rosa County District Schools](#)

If your child is sick or quarantined, please reach out to their teacher so we can work with your family on a learning plan to keep them connected to their class.

## School Accountability Report

Our School Public Report can be viewed at

[http://doewebprd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbpar/year1617/nclb1617.cfm?dist\\_schl=57\\_331](http://doewebprd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbpar/year1617/nclb1617.cfm?dist_schl=57_331).

## Right-to-Know

Parents of each student attending a Title I school may request information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's teacher and any paraprofessional(s) who work with their child along with the services provided to our students.

Teacher Shout Out – Would you like to recognize a faculty/staff member on campus? Please fill out and return to Mrs. Floyd or email the info to [FloydM@santarosa.k12.fl.us](mailto:FloydM@santarosa.k12.fl.us).

Faculty/Staff Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_

Shout Out: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Volunteers & Visitors on Campus

We are excited to have volunteers back on campus. Please be sure to fill out a Volunteer Application. You must first be School Board approved before you can volunteer. All volunteers and visitors must always enter through the front office to check-in, first.

## VOLUNTEER



## Art News

Mr. King

3<sup>rd</sup> grade:

Students will be finishing up their lessons on pixel art and play the telephone Pictionary game. They will be learning a little about Chinese culture in creating replica construction paper lanterns that are part of the Lantern Festival that is celebrated. We will talk about how last year was the year of the Ox and that this year is the year of the Tiger, and the story and legends related to the Lantern Festival

4th grade:

Students will be continuing to work on their scratch art pieces. This lesson teaches about how Greek pottery was made, and the lesson itself talks about having to think about negative space and touches on inverted image colors. They have

to think about taking away space to create an image vs adding to a space like when adding lead or ink to it.

5th grade:

Students will be continuing to learn about the difference between sketching and doodling thru playing a telephone-Pictionary game. This game also covers reading and writing skills in that students have to code and decode images and writings to pass the message/info along. After this lesson, we will be making collages that parody the famous "American Gothic" painting. Students will also briefly learn about Gothic architecture.

## Music News

Mrs. Dean

This 9 weeks in music class, the students will learn how to read music notation on a staff. They will use instruments like the piano keyboard & a ukulele to help give them a hands-on experience when learning to follow music notation.



## PE News

Coach Keller, Coach Williams, & Coach Hinson

We have some of our favorite units happening in PE this 9 weeks. We start off with Fishing which is always a favorite, and we end with two of the students most favorite things about PE...Bicycle Safety and

Field Day! More information about these two big events will come later, but they are definitely things to look forward to!

Please make sure your student is dressed appropriately for our ever-changing Florida weather. Some days no jacket is required and some days we need to bundle up as we are outside every day unless there is extreme temperatures/inclement weather.

## Media Center News

Mrs. Clapper

The library has been a busy place during the first semester, and there are many exciting events to look forward to in the second half of the year. First, students are encouraged to continue reading the Sunshine State Young Readers Award (SSYRA) books. The library owns several copies of these, and more have been ordered so they are available to students. During the spring, we will be having book clubs and ITV trivia questions based these books. Our school will also be participating in the Battle of the Books program in May where classes compete in a trivia contest based on the SSYRA books. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Clapper. Do you know what books were in the Top 10 most checked out titles at SSDI for the first semester? Five books from the Dog Man series, four books from the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series, and the graphic novel Cosmic Commandos. This tells us our students love to laugh while they read.

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## PBIS

This nine weeks, classrooms should be focusing on Cooperation, including learning the importance of sharing, taking turns, making others feel needed, and solving problems without arguing or violence. We have learned about compassion and respect and have selected our second quarter kindness kids!



Congratulation's to our 2<sup>nd</sup> 9 Week's Kindness Kid Award

### Recipients:

- Browne- Coleman Wright
- Cooper- La'Kinzie Colston
- Dixon, D.- Brody Robinson
- Drinkard- Braeleigh Corley
- Hinson- Henry Brady
- Kennison- Kylee Price
- Laird- Molly Williams
- Melton- Seqoya Sanspree
- Mulford- Jamison Strength
- Owens- Holly Gorman
- Piscopo- Ethan Burns
- Slichter- Sebastian Yoder
- Stinson- Nataleigh Weaver
- Walker- Hannah Schwartz
- Fishel- Elizabeth Schultz
- Ballard, A.- Kai Nguyen
- Dixon, T.- Kyleigh Chesire
- Dunn- Clara Sneed
- Franks- Maelie Garrett
- Haveard- Arturo Martinez-Ricardez
- Holcomb- Kolton Outlaw
- Johnson- Braden Williams

- Klein- Kinley Schlessman
- Malone- Hugh Vermeychuk
- Martin- Jace Cowart
- O'Neal- Avery Davis
- Smith- Dyllan Denman
- Wilchar- Aspyn Cumbie
- Ballard, F.- Roger "Wesley" Land
- Burnett- Chloe Cruz
- Faust- Adelei Elzweig
- Gray- Jack Bradley
- Hester- Oliver Stewart
- Holley- Maxton Garrett
- Neal- Silas David Mooneyham
- Orehosky- Jackson Butler
- Robbins- Estrella Rivera Torres
- Schultz -Owen Thorne
- Singley- Madison Worley
- Wheelus- Asher Schopp
- Williams- Sarah Noah
- Cook- Kamryn Coleman
- Qualls- Benjamin Nagy

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW-

### 2022 FSA Dates:

- April 5- 3rd READING Session 1
- April 6- 3rd READING Session 2
- April 7- 5th WRITING
- April 8- 4th WRITING
- May 3- 3rd & 5th MATH Session 1
- May 4- 3rd & 5th MATH Session 2
- May 5- 4th READING Session 1
- May 6- 4th READING Session 2
- May 9- 5th Reading Session 1, 4th Math Session 1
- May 10- 5th Reading Session 2, 4th Math Session 2
- May 11- 5th SCIENCE
- May 12 - 5th SCIENCE

## 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 Weeks

### Important Dates

- 1/4- Title One Parent Survey available on FB and school website
- 1/14- Report Cards go home
- 1/14- Kindness Kids Celebration
- 1/14- January Science Challenge begins
- 1/17- Martin Luther King Day- no school
- 1/20- PTSSO Meeting
- 1/24-1/29- Literacy Week Dress-Up Days:
  - Monday- Cowboy vs Aliens
  - Tuesday- Dress for Success (class picture day)
  - Wednesday- come in peace (hippie day)
  - Thursday- in a galaxy far far away (Star Wars day)
  - Friday- PJ day (drop everything and read)
- 1/25- Class and Club Pictures
- 1/25- Kona Ice Day
- 1/26- Title One Parent Survey closes
- 1/27- Reading Under the Stars Literacy Night from 5:30-7:15
- 2/4- 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 Week's Midterms
- 2/17- PTSSO Meeting
- 2/18- SAC Meeting
- 2/21- Presidents Day- no school
- 2/22- Kona Ice Day
- 3/3- PTSSO Meeting
- 3/4- 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 Weeks PBIS Celebration
- 3/10- Field Day and Kite Day
- 3/11- End of 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 Weeks
- 3/14-3/18- Spring Break
- 3/21- Teacher Planning Day- no school