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Pre K 4 News

A Special Way to Learn About the Letter Hh!



Hats On Day was founded in 1995 by four sixth-graders in St. Louis, Missouri. They began the fundraiser when their friend and classmate Kevin Beffa was diagnosed with a type of childhood cancer called Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma. Sadly, days before the first event, Kevin passed away.

To keep Kevin's memory alive, the founders have continued *Hats On Day* to raise money with the aim of creating awareness about children undergoing chemotherapy and related issues like hair loss, illness, and missing school.

Reading



Why, Charlie Brown, Why? By Charles Schulz

Leave it to Charles Schulz to write a heartfelt story to teach children about other children dealing with illnesses. "Why, Charlie Brown, Why?" is a story about what happens when a classmate of Linus' is diagnosed with leukemia. The cartoon characters talk about various aspects of the illness, such as chemotherapy, blood tests, baldness, visiting the hospital, and returning to school. The emphasis throughout is on caring relationships.

HTA Hats On Day will be held on **Wednesday, October 6**, and a money bucket will be set out to collect coins for the month of October to benefit The Foundation for Children With Cancer.

Math



"What's that? A hat. A crazy, funky, junky hat. Put it on my head. Wear it till I go to bed!"

Rhyming is a great way to teach counting! The vocal pattern established creates a natural body beat all while learning fun and silly rhymes!

In addition to counting the days of the week, we will tally our collection of donations for HTA *Hats On Day*! Counting coins is a great way to help children learn the different currencies and the life skill of counting money.

On *Hats On Day*, a recommended \$5 donation per child is encouraged. Last year, HTA preschoolers collected over \$125 for this great cause. Let's see if we can top it! **And, don't forget to wear your favorite hat!**

Upcoming Events!



Fall Break takes place October 7, 8, and 11. For a little extra something to do, don't forget to attend the **50th Annual Greater Phoenix Greek Festival**, here on Holy Trinity's campus. Join thousands of guests over the weekend to eat delicious Greek cuisine, shop at the agora (market) for Greek cooking supplies, and watch over 100 dancers, ages 5-24, perform authentic Greek dances from all areas of Greece!

A special thank you goes out to those parents who signed up to help HTA at the "Greek" Hot Dog Booth during the Festival. I couldn't do it without you!

Grown-ups never understand anything for themselves, and it is tiresome for children to be always and forever explaining things to them. ~Saint-Exupéry, *The Little Prince*, 1943