

Counselor's Communication

Harding
Academy

November 2012

Mrs. Hall's Monthly Newsletter

Harding Happenings:

Classroom guidance lessons this month are based on the needs of the different grade levels. Here is what we have been studying in our classroom lessons...

JK & SK – Tattling

We have been learning about the difference between kid-sized problems and BIG DEALS. Kid-sized problems are problems kids can solve on their own. Big deal problems are problems that they need an adult's help in solving.

1st, 2nd, & 3rd – Conflict Resolution

We discussed solving problems based on compromise. We used Dr. Seuss' funny short story of the stubborn Zax to help us understand this concept.

4th, 5th, & 6th – Internet Safety

The older kids discussed the best ways to stay safe online. I used the information that was presented earlier in the year by our guest speaker and made the information age appropriate for our students.

Important Dates:

Wednesday, November 21st –
Friday, November 23rd

Thanksgiving Break – No School!

Alyssa Hall

hall.alyssa@hardingacademymemphis.org

Counseling Truths

Many people have a skewed opinion about the field of counseling because of how counseling was viewed in history. School counseling, along with other counseling careers, has gone through huge changes in the past few years. Here are some truths about school counseling that you might not know...

- Coming to see the counselor does NOT mean the child is in trouble. The counselor office is not a place of discipline. I simply try to help the child through the situation he or she is dealing with.
- Coming to see the counselor does NOT mean that the child has something wrong with them. Many children see me about many different situations. Some situations are completely out of the child's control.
- Coming to see the counselor is a positive action. This means that the child recognizes the problem and is actively trying to solve the problem.

Please encourage your child to come see me for any reason. I am completely here to help. If I can do anything for your child or family please contact me.

The purpose in a man's heart is like deep water, but a man of understanding will draw it out.

Proverbs 20:5

