

# TROPICAL

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# TIMES

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OCTOBER 2019

## DATES TO REMEMBER



- Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> - SAF/SAC Meeting 8:30 AM
- Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> - PTA General Meeting – 8:30 AM (Cafeteria)
- Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> - NO SCHOOL
- Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> Picture Make-Up Day
- Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> – EARLY RELEASE – 12:15 PM DISMISSAL
- Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> – EMPLOYEE PLANNING – NO SCHOOL
- Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> – Start of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter  
Safety Patrol Induction – 9 AM, Cafeteria
- Oct. 23 – 31<sup>st</sup> - “Just Say No” - Red Ribbon Week
- Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> – BATTY BINGO! – 6:00 PM – Cafeteria
- Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, & 29<sup>th</sup> – Boo Grams -Relay for Life Fundraiser
- Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>- Book Character Parade

## WELCOME PARENTS & VOLUNTEERS!

All guests and volunteers who arrive at the front office should proceed to the right side of the counter to the STAR system check-in. Please be ready to tell the office staff the reason for your visit and, if you are here to volunteer, please be ready to tell them the teacher’s name and the time you are scheduled to volunteer. Please have your **Driver’s License or other photo ID** ready, and we will help you with the sign-in process. New volunteers must register at [browardschools.com/getinvolved](http://browardschools.com/getinvolved)

Thank you for your cooperation and support!



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Birthday to the following teachers and staff members who are celebrating their birthdays in October:

- Ms. Thomas – October 1<sup>st</sup>
- Ms. Cynthia (TCC) – October 4<sup>th</sup>
- Ms. Corliss Walker – October 5<sup>th</sup>
- Ms. Egan – October 6<sup>th</sup>
- Officer Toman – October 10<sup>th</sup>
- Ms. Rosado – October 10<sup>th</sup>
- Ms. Joyce (TCC) – October 10<sup>th</sup>
- Coach Cameron – October 11<sup>th</sup>
- Ms. Antunez – October 11<sup>th</sup>
- Ms. Wilma (TCC) – October 11<sup>th</sup>
- Mr. Shawn Howell – October 13<sup>th</sup>
- Ms. Baumgardner - October 16<sup>th</sup>
- Ms. Gitzen – October 18<sup>th</sup>
- Ms. Yancy – October 19<sup>th</sup>
- Ms. Berryman – October 19<sup>th</sup>
- Dr. Sadowski – October 21<sup>st</sup>
- Ms. Koroshec – October 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Ms. Gordon – October 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Ms. Bravo – October 24<sup>th</sup>
- Ms. Tupper – October 29<sup>th</sup>
- Ms. Echeverri – October 31<sup>st</sup>

## OCTOBER CHARACTER TRAIT – RESPONSIBILITY

During the month of October, we will be emphasizing the Character Education trait of **Responsibility**. Responsibility means meeting obligations by being reliable, accountable, and dependable to self and others.

*“A Hero is someone who understands the responsibility that comes with his freedom” - Bob Dylan*

## ATTENDANCE COUNTS!

Daily attendance is important for student success. Please make sure that if your student is absent, to click on the link to properly document their absence.

[TropicalAttendance@browardschools.com](mailto:TropicalAttendance@browardschools.com)

Let us know how we can best support you and your children so that they can show up for school on time every day. We want your child to be successful in school! If you have any questions or need more information please contact our school counselor, Ms. Tobacco at [Kristyn.Tobacco@browardschools.com](mailto:Kristyn.Tobacco@browardschools.com)

## PICKING UP YOUR CHILD EARLY



Parents please be ready when picking up your child early from school. You will need your **Driver’s License or Valid I.D.** for the **STAR SYSTEM** in the front office when signing out to pick up your child early from school.

## CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

<https://www.browardschools.com/TROPICAL>

## “JUST SAY NO” – RED RIBBON WEEK



Here’s the line up for the week:

- Wednesday, October 23rd:** Turn your back on drugs and bullying (backwards dress day)
- Thursday, October 24th:** Superheroes rise above the bad influences (superhero t-shirt day)
- Friday, October 25th:** Drugs and Bullies are Wack (Wacky dress day)
- Monday, October 28th:** Shade out shady business (sunglass day)
- Tuesday, October 29th:** Together we stand against drugs and bullying (twin day)
- Wednesday, October 30th:** Team up against drugs and bullying (sports jersey/t-shirt day)
- Thursday, October 31st:** Don't be tricked, bullying and drugs are no treat...that's why we pledge to stay drug and bully free (Book Character Parade)

# PTA & OTHER MISC. NEWS...

## P.T.A. NEWS



**PTA General Meeting Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> (in the Cafeteria)**

**Batty Bingo** is back and will be held on **Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**

**TROPICAL PTA VIBES Newsletter** coming soon! Be on the lookout for the PTA's monthly newsletter and get all the great information going on in our PTA!

## MUSICAL NOTES CORNER



The classroom work for primary levels is focusing on: Steady beat, listening/responding to different rhythms, identify both by ear and by notation rhythms performed, proper singing technique, and other rhythm based instruction. The classroom work for secondary levels is focusing on: layering rhythm and pitch, performing by ear rhythm/pitch, performing by reading rhythm/pitch on instruments, and Classical Era composers. Our Chorus Club began on Friday September 20th! The club meets on Fridays from 2:20-3:30 in the Music room. Look out for information on our Performance for "Art in the Park" in Plantation. Please have your Chorus member practicing daily by listening to the music or reading to memorize the lyrics. <https://www.donorschoose.org/Ms.Wites>

Ms. Wites  
Music Teacher

Where words leave off, music begins." — Heinrich Heine

**Digital Direct Card:** Parents if you are interested in having access to all of the Broward county library's digital content, please choose to opt-in in order to gain access. If students opted-in previously, they do not have to opt-in again. From the Broward County Schools website, select Parent Resources then Student Code of Conduct then Back to School forms. The forms portal will remain open until the first of the new year (2020). Students gain access by using their 06# and the last four digits of their 06#.

Happy Reading!  
Tanya Reid  
Media Clerk



## TROPICAL CHILD CARE (TCC) NEWS DATES TO REMEMBER:



On Campus Period 3 Payment Window:  
**October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup>**

Dates Covered in Period:  
**October 7<sup>th</sup> – November 1<sup>st</sup>**

For Online payments:  
<https://estore.browardschools.com>

**Before Care Hours: 6:55 AM – 7:55 AM**  
**After Care Hours: 2:25 PM – 6:10 PM**

**Any questions or concerns, please contact the TCC Supervisors, Jalyssa Muniz and/or Alexis Lindholm**  
**Office Number: (754) 323-7793**

## SAF/SAC MEETING

We would love for you all to join us at our next SAC meeting. We will be discussing the Smart Bond and developing the A+ ballot. We look forward to seeing you all on Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 8:30 AM in Mr. Schneider's office.

## SAFETY PATROLS

All Safety Patrols will meet on a Friday at least once a month. **Please plan on picking up your child promptly at 3:30pm in the North Parking lot.**

As always, thank you for your support. **Future Safety Patrol Meetings will be from 2:30-3:30 in my room, (room 174). (All meetings will be on a Friday)** October 25, November 22, December 13, January 31, February 28, March 13, April 24, May 1

Miss Green  
Safety Patrol Coordinator



## JUMP ROPE CLUB

CONGRATULATIONS to all students who came to try-outs! Coach Green has chosen the Jump Rope Club Team. Uniform order forms will go home on Wednesday, October 2nd. Please fill in the form and return by the following week. Please remember that our practice days are Wednesdays from 2:30-3:30pm. Students should be picked up promptly at 3:30pm in the North Parking Lot. Thank you for your support!!!

Coach Green  
Jump Rope Coordinator



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR TEACHER OF THE YEAR & SCHOOL RELATED EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR!

Please join us in congratulating **Ms. Lindholm** for being **Tropical Elementary's 2019/2020 Teacher of the Year!** Ms. Lindholm has been teaching for 21 years! She teaches fourth grade and has been at Tropical Elementary for 5 years. When she is not teaching she likes to read, has a love for Art and enjoys spending time with her nieces. We are very lucky to have her here at Tropical! Congratulations!

We would also like to congratulate **Ms. Pagan**, for being voted as **this year's School Related Employee of the Year for the 2019/2020 School Year!**

Ms. Pagan has been working with children for 17 years and with the Tropical family for 15 years with our DHH Specialized Program. When she is not working in the school, she LOVES to shop, dance, spend time with her grandchildren and backyard BBQs! We love seeing her smiling face every day and we are very thankful for her hard work & dedication to our students. Congratulations!

