

# TROPICAL

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# TIMES

Tropical Elementary  
Principal Robert Schneider  
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PTA President Jami Bossé

December 2019

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec. 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Dec. 10 <sup>th</sup> – Scholastic Book Fair
Dec. 5 <sup>th</sup> – Book Fair Family Night and Ice Cream Social - 6 pm
Dec. 6 <sup>rd</sup> – DHH Signing Santa Field Trip 9:00AM School Tour
Dec 10 <sup>th</sup> - PTA Meeting - 8:30 AM in the Cafeteria. Speech & Debate Tournament
Dec 11 <sup>th</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip – Billy Swamp Safari
Dec 11 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> Annual Teddy Bear collection
Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Field Trip – Tradewinds Park 9:00AM School Tour Winter Concert – 6pm
Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> Snowman O'Grams on sale
Dec. 20 <sup>th</sup> – Early Release – 12:25 PM
Dec. 23 – Jan. 7 <sup>th</sup> – School Closed – Happy Holidays!
Jan. 6 <sup>th</sup> – Teacher Planning Day- No School for Students
Jan. 7 <sup>th</sup> – School Resumes SAC/SAF Meeting - 8:30 AM Principal Schneider's office

## DECEMBER CHARACTER TRAIT - KINDNESS

During the month of December, we are emphasizing the character trait of kindness. Kindness is being helpful, thoughtful, caring, compassionate and considerate.

*"Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can read".*



## Tropical Elementary School Student Council Annual Book Fair & Ice Cream Social

The Book Fair is coming to Tropical! Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>. **Wednesday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> is Book Fair Family Night Ice Cream Social - 6:00 – 8:00 PM** in the Multipurpose room and Media Center. The cost to create your own sundaes is just \$3.00. Each sundae purchase earns you a chance to win a \$5.00 gift certificate for free books at the Book Fair! Drawing will be held on Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing you there!

## PARENT COMPACT

The Title I School-Parent Compact was sent home for you to review, sign and return to your child's teacher on Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. The School-Parent Compact outlines how parents, schools and students agree to share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents develop a partnership that helps the students to achieve the state's high standards. Thank you for your cooperation in returning the signed forms promptly. If you haven't already returned it, please do so as soon as possible. Please email our Title I Liaison, [Susan.Antunez@browardschools.com](mailto:Susan.Antunez@browardschools.com) if you need another copy sent to you.



## HELP WANTED!

This year's book fair is blowing in! Volunteers will be needed daily from December 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> to come in and help with the cash register and helping our shoppers to choose their books.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Birthday to the following teachers and staff members who are celebrating their birthdays in **DECEMBER!**

**Barbara Davis – December 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Courtney Newman – December 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Michelle Andujar – December 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**Michelle Lutin – December 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**Deborah Hysell – December 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**Barclay Quatremain – December 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**Virginia McGlynn Wolff – December 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**Lisa Worhman – December 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**Rachel Tyman – December 31<sup>st</sup>**



## Career Day

The Career Day planning process has begun! Career Day will be held Thursday, Jan 21, 2020. Flyers recruiting anyone who would like to present a career have been sent home and need to be returned by 12/13. If you are interested in presenting or have any questions please email our school counselor Kristyn Tobacco at : [Kristyn.Neary@browardschools.com](mailto:Kristyn.Neary@browardschools.com) . Thank You!

## VETERANS DAY LUNCH

**THANK YOU** to all the Veterans that came out to our Veteran's Day lunch! We loved having you! But most of all Thank you for serving our country!



## CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

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

# PTA & OTHER MISC. NEWS...

## P.T.A. NEWS



**PTA General Meeting**  
**Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> (in the Cafeteria) 8:30 AM**

## *Tropical Student Council* **SNOWMAN O' GRAMS**

All proceeds to be given to Team Tropical for  
Plantation's Relay for Life

Student Council will be selling Snowman O' Grams

\$1.00 each

December 13<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>

Sold from 8:00am-8:15am in the  
Multipurpose Room  
and the picnic tables by the Bus Loop

## **Annual Teddy Bear Collection** **Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> - Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>**

Please donate a new or gently loved teddy bear or stuffed animal Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. All bears will be collected in Mr. Schneider's office and given to the Plantation Police Department. Officers will give the teddy bears to children needing comfort during the holiday season. Thank you for your continued support of the Student Council activities!



### FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE



Parents make sure your **GOLF CART** is registered! Must comply with safety standards in **49 C.F.R. s.571.500 and s.3162122**

1. A low-speed vehicle or mini truck may be operated only on streets where the posted speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less.
3. A low-speed vehicle or mini truck must be registered and insured in accordance with S. 320.02 and titled pursuant to chapter 319.

### YEARBOOK ADS!

Three convenient ways to submit your ad!  
Ads can be created and purchased at [balfour.com](http://balfour.com)  
OR

Completed ads may be emailed to  
[michelle.jindracek@browardschools.com](mailto:michelle.jindracek@browardschools.com)  
(emailed ads **MUST** be submitted as a jpeg)  
OR

Completed ads may be sent in with your child.

\*All business card size and ½ page ads must be submitted in a horizontal format.

\*All ¼ page ads must be submitted in a vertical format.

#### Ad sizes and prices

Business card \$10.00      ¼ page \$25.00

½ page \$55.00              Full page \$115.00

Ad Deadline is January 31, 2020

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

On Campus Period 4 Payment Window:  
Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, and Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> & Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>

Dates Covered in Period:  
December 4, 2019 - January 13, 2020

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

**REMINDER THERE IS NO WINTER DAY CAMP THIS YEAR!**

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

You may access our school's School Improvement Plan and Title 1 Plan by visiting:  
[www.tropicalelementary.net](http://www.tropicalelementary.net).

Click on "our school", then "school info", then "school improvement plan". It will take you to the district's site where you can select Tropical and the 19/20 school year. Please contact our Title 1 Liaison, Mrs. Antunez, at 754.323.7776 if you have any questions.

Thanks to all that came to our **Academic Parent Night**. We understand many that RSVP'd were unable to attend due to the traffic conditions that night. For your convenience we have uploaded the resource packets shared to our website:  
[www.tropicalelementary.net](http://www.tropicalelementary.net). Packets are found under both the Math and Reading sections.  
Mrs. Antunez

### IT'S TIME TO PURCHASE THE 2019-2020

#### EDITION OF TROPICAL'S YEARBOOK!

Our **FULL COLOR/HARD COVER**

**YEARBOOK SALE IS GOING ON NOW!**

Log on to **Balfour.com** to purchase the yearbook, accessories and student or business ads.

OR

Send payment in an envelope with your child's name to your child's teacher with cash or check made payable to:

**Tropical Elementary PTA**

**\$25.00** until December 31, 2019

**\$30.00** January 1-January 31, 2020

**\$35.00** after January 31, 2020



