Coconut Creek Elementary

Cougar Cubs Newsletter

November 2021

Upcoming Events

November

- •11/7
 - Daylight Savings End
- 11/8 **-** 11/12
 - Anti-Bullying Week
- •11/11
 - No School
- •11/12
 - Report Cards Issued
- 11/17
 - Virtual BLAST Night
- •11/18
 - o Picture Makeup Day
 - Parent Training Academy
- •11/19
 - Interim Reports Issued
- $\bullet 11/22 11/26$
 - Thanksgiving Break
- 11/30
 - SAC Meeting 2:45 p.m.



VIRTUAL HONOR ROLL

Kindergarten – Monday, November 15th 8:45 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

2nd Grade - Monday, November 15th 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

1st Grade - Tuesday, November 16th 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

3rd Grade - Tuesday, November 16th 9:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

4th Grade - Wednesday, November 17th 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

5th Grade - Wednesday, November 17th 9:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

GUIDANCE CORNER

We are offering all parents the opportunity to become trained and understand more about SBBC Anti-Bullying Policy 5.9.

To access the parent training video please go to Canvas and enroll in this Canvas course #1235826. The training can also be viewed via this link, Eduvision link (https://www.eduvision.tv/l?eAeOOgR).

KINDERGARTEN

We are moving right along in kindergarten!
We are working hard in reading, learning all about characters. Ask us about the characters in a story that we read. I bet we can tell you all sorts of traits about the main characters in a text.

In math, we are practicing representing and writing numbers to 10, as well as adding two numbers that make 10. We like to practice counting real life objects and then compare them using the terms greater than and less than.

We've also been talking about what it means to be a good citizen.

Please remember to read at home nightly for 20 minutes.

First Grade

Greetings Families and Friends,

November is here and I know we are all wishing for cooler weather.

We are going to be discussing how people create stories. Also, we will be learning that stories have a narrator. This month we will be learning about Native Americans and Veterans Day.

We are still learning about addition and subtraction to 20, with fluency. We are learning to read our leveled readers and bringing home books to read.

We are looking forward to Thanksgiving and are thankful for our friends.

SECOND GRADE



Happy November 2nd grade families!
This month we are continuing to work on Unit
2: Characters Facing Challenges. We are getting into our science unit on Weather, as well as continuing our examination of Native American Cultures.
In math we are moving on to Chapter 4: 2-Digit Addition.

Please make sure you continue to read with your learner for 20 minutes each night and practice those counting on, addition and subtraction skills. Please try to give students time to work on i-Ready at home. Second grade's monthly goal is 8 lessons passed in reading and 8 lessons passed in math, to attend our monthly *Green Party*.

THIRD GRADE

Third graders should be logging on to i-ready nightly to support their growth in Reading and Math. We suggest they alternate...either one lesson in Reading or one lesson in Math. Lessons are usually about 15 minutes each.

For math, make sure your child has a piece of paper to show their work on problems. This will increase accuracy. The goal is to earn a passing score of 70% (or better) on each lesson. Only passing scores will earn your child points towards the *Green Party*. This program has a strong correlation to FSA performance. The reading and math lessons presented are very SIMILAR to the ones they will see on the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). We appreciate your help supporting our students and helping them reach their personal best!

Third graders should be practicing the following in math: multiplication facts, adding/subtracting 3- and 4- digit numbers with regrouping, and rounding to the tens and hundreds. We suggest that you review your child's math homework to ensure he/she understands the concepts being taught. All these concepts will be tested on the FSA.

In reading, we have a new series, Benchmark Advance. Your child will be bringing home the booklets as we complete the units. This new series is a consumable, which means your child can write in the booklets. Using this booklet to review the standards and strategies introduced and practiced in class, will maximize growth in reading skills. Remind your child to ALWAYS go back in the text to find evidence for their comprehension questions.

Wishing all our families a Blessed Thanksgiving season!

FOURTH GRADE

Happy Fall 4th Graders!!!

Welcome to second quarter! Here is a glance at our content area focus:

- Reading We are going over Character Traits and will begin Unit 3 which focuses on "Learning about Government in Action," next week.
- Math Upon wrapping up Chapter 3 this week, we will start Chapter 4 on Monday. Please remember to have students study their multiplication facts daily, as this is a huge success-factor for 4th and 5th grade students.
- Science Our focus is on adaptations.

In the coming weeks, we will be starting an in-school research project focused on holidays celebrated around the world. The kids really enjoy this activity and we are looking forward to it! The students will present their research to the class right before winter break.

If you need any one of us, we're an email away!!!

FIFTH GRADE

The month of October has flown by, and our fifth graders have been working hard. We are now visiting our science lab weekly to conduct experiments and activities based on our science standards. We are finishing up human organs and body systems and will be learning about chemical and physical changes next.

For the month of November, our students will continue working in our new reading series-Benchmark Advance. Unit 2 "Developing Characters Relationships" will be finishing up and we will move on to "The U.S Constitution: Then and Now". We continue incorporating reading/writing, science, and social studies topics into our new reading series. Look for little readers coming home that student will be able to keep and build their own home library with! Continue to work on multiplication tables daily and review long division as we move on to adding and subtracting decimals.

Please check planners and take-home folders daily for important information.

We are also happy to announce that we will begin the D.A.R.E. program with Officer Dan the last week of October at our school once a week for 10 weeks.

Thank you for your continued support!

Fifth grade teachers



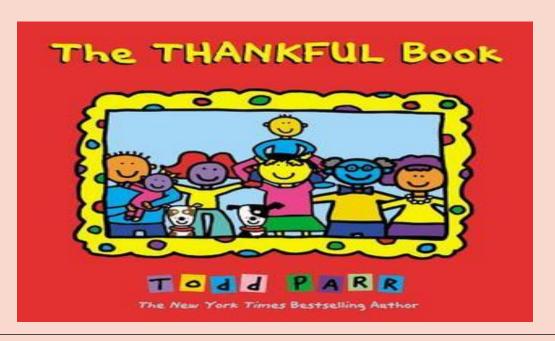
There are many fun ways to support your child with math.

Have them practice their measurement skills by working on a recipe together.

Have them estimate the amount of money needed when purchasing groceries.

Have your child count the coins in your purse or wallet

Make math part of your everyday life!



November is a time when we reflect on the things, we are thankful for. Think about going to the library and checking out books about gratitude and thankfulness. Discuss with your families the things you are most thankful for and why. Kids can start a gratitude journal. Or, better yet, start a family gratitude journal that you complete together daily! Oral language and writing skills will be increased as you grow together.

November 17 will be our first ELA Virtual Blast Night of the 2021 - 2022 school year. A newsletter and link will be forthcoming.



Important Information

School Hours

Before Care: 7:00 a.m.—8:00 a.m. Breakfast: 7:55 a.m.—8:25 a.m.

Warning Bell: 8:20 a.m. Tardy Bell: 8:30 a.m. Dismissal: 2:30 p.m.

No dismissal after 2:00 p.m. due to safety reasons

Aftercare: 2:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

(Please do not pick up students before 3:00 p.m.)

Important Phone Numbers

Attendance: 754-322-5802 Aftercare: 754-322-5804

(Please call after 3:00 p.m.)

PTA: 754-322-5815

www.facebook.com/ccespta Email: creekpta@yahoo.com

Transportation: 754-321-4000

<u>Useful Websites:</u>

Coconut Creek Elementary:

Coconutcreekelem.browardschools.com

Free/Reduced Lunch Application:

www.applyforlunch.com

Online Lunch Payment

myschoolbucks.com

Online estore:

estore.browardschools.com

The School Board of Broward County approved the following effective Monday, November 1, 2021:

- We will continue with our current Covid-19 quarantine protocols at all schools and administrative offices.
- We will continue with our current mandatory face covering protocols in all elementary schools, middle schools, K-6 schools and/or centers, PK-8 schools and/or centers, PK-12 schools and/or centers for students, staff, visitors, and vendors.







Coconut Creek Elementary will participate in Anti-Bullying Activities

November 8, 2021 through November 12, 2021.

Students will be reminded of the importance of reporting bullying as well as not becoming a participant in bullying activities. Each day will have a theme.

Students and teachers are encouraged to participate.

- Monday: "Be Someone's Hero" Wear your favorite superhero shirt.
- Tuesday: "Everyone Counts Day" Wear jerseys or shirts with numbers.
- Wednesday: "Join the Fight Against Bullying." Wear camouflage clothing.
- Thursday: No School: Families may choose to discuss with your children what bullying is and what to do if they feel they are being bullied.
- Friday: WEAR BLUE to show you are a "true-BLUE" friend to someone in need.



UCTIONS FOR ACCESSING REPORT CARDS



GO TO YOUR CHILD'S CLEVER ACCOUNT AND CLICK ON VIRTUAL COUNSELOR.



- ENTER YOUR CHILD'S OG----- NUMBER.
- PASSWORD IS COMPLETE DATE OF BIRTH INCLUDING FORWARD SLASHES MM/DD/YYYY.



CLICK ON "GO TO VIRTUAL COUNSELOR".



CLICK ON "2022 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT CARD-MARKING PERIOD 1".



PTA NEWS

Fundraisers:

Our Fall Fundraiser was a HUGE success! Thank you to everyone who participated and sold items! Our students sold \$10,202.50 in retail which gave us a profit of \$4,353.30. A total of 653 items were sold! Items should be here in approximately 3 weeks, and we will send home information about what day you can pick them up as we get closer.

BOO Grams were amazing! The heartfelt messages and jokes written to family, teachers, students, and staff brought smiles throughout the school. We sold approximately 625 grams that were delivered to classes today! We cannot wait for our next one!

Harvest Drive:

Our Fall Harvest Drive will be taking place from November 1st to November 14th. Children will have the opportunity to help other children in need by bringing in non-perishable items to their classroom. Any student who brings 5+ items will receive a 1-day no uniform pass. Please watch for a flier to come home with your students.

Box Tops:

If you have not yet downloaded the Box Tops app to your phone, please do so and encourage friends and family to do the same. By choosing Coconut Creek Elementary and simply scanning your store receipts the school PTA will earn free money. No more clipping those box tops.

National PTA School of Excellence:

Our School and PTA has applied for the National PTA School of Excellence Award. The next step is a short survey for the parent/guardian to fill out. Please watch for this survey to come home with your child next week.



