



Flamingo Flyer



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Mission Statement and Philosophy – The mission of Flamingo Elementary School is to provide a safe and secure environment where a foundation of skills is built to ensure each student has developed good character and the knowledge to achieve success in all endeavors.

Please remember to review the parent compacts on a regular basis that you received at Meet and Greet/Open House on August 14, 2018.

Kindergarten News

The first couple of weeks of school brought fun and exciting elements to learning. All kindergarten students have thrived with learning the alphabet, letter sounds, sight words, concepts of print, numbers and number words. In the classroom, we have been working on and understanding the rules of school, how to follow directions, and daily procedures and routines. Students have started to explore the five senses and science tools. Kindergarten is off to a great start!! Please continue to read, read, read, and complete homework to support your child's learning adventure!!

Fabulous First Grade

First graders have been learning organizational skills and the routines of their classrooms. They are learning how to use a planner and the responsibility of maintaining a desk full of books.

September 26th is Johnny Appleseed Day. Students will be learning about this American legend and apples through a variety of reading strategies such as informational text, text features, comparing and contrasting, sequencing, and analyzing data. Some text features being taught are diagramming, labeling, headings, captions, and graphing.

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Sensational Second Grade

We are happy that our students are back at school ready to learn. In the classroom, our students are busy learning about asking and answering questions to assess comprehension and, looking for main ideas and details in stories.

In math, we are working on addition and subtraction facts and word problems and addition fluency. Parents can assist their student's success by signing the planners daily, checking homework, and encouraging students to read, read, read at home.

Third Grade Rocks

Third grade is off to a terrific start! Third grade is such a pivotal year for your students, we will be challenging them to learn many new skills this year.

This month we are featuring new Social Emotional Learning lessons focusing on Cooperation. We've started our year learning about asking and answering questions supported by the text and identifying Main Idea and Details. We have also started BAS testing to better know where to instruct your child on their reading level.

In math, we are beginning our unit on multiplication and division. Students need to memorize the multiplication tables. Parents, please practice multiplication facts at home, in the car or anytime you can squeeze it in. We look forward to a wonderful year of learning!

Fantastic Fourth Grade

Welcome back fabulous fourth graders. We are off to a great start. The students are working hard on identifying main idea and key details and comparing them throughout various texts. Continue to encourage reading at home while practicing strategies taught in school. Also continue memorization of times tables through twelves. Fact fluency will assist the students to be successful with fourth grade math skills. Our math book is online and there are great opportunities for the children to go on and utilize the interactive student book and project manager for them to practice the lessons taught.

Thank you in advance for your support in helping to make this a successful year.

Fifth Grade – Class of 2019

Fifth grade is off to an amazing start this school year! We already have a lot of special activities planned, including our field trip to J.A. Biz Town in October, the PTO Tech Trot in October, and the Universal Studies Orlando field trip in December. Please sign up with Broward County School to become an approved volunteer. We love having your support and need chaperones to help facilitate events and field trips.

Additionally, our fifth graders have the opportunity to participate in a variety of extracurricular activities such as Safety Patrol, Ecology Club, Teachers of Tomorrow (TOTs), Video Club, and Student Council. The students participating in these clubs will receive special recognition at our end-of-year awards ceremony and we encourage all of our students to get involved.

Cooperation, responsibility, and organization are indicators for success in school. Our team is working hard to prepare your children for academic success and a smooth middle school transition at the end of the year. Please encourage your children to be more independent in organizing their materials and doing their homework. Some simple keys to success in fifth grade include mastery of multiplication facts and regular reading for pleasure. Try to incorporate these practices into your daily routine. We are looking forward to making this an exciting, fun and memorable year for you and your children!

Safety Reminders

There will be a single point of entry at the front of the school during the school day. Arrival and dismissal will continue as normal with the Kindergarten car line at the back gate on 130th Avenue and grades 1-5 arriving and dismissing at the front of the school on 133rd Avenue. Walkers and bike riders will continue arriving and dismissing the same way. The rear gate on 130th Avenue will be locked when school begins and open again for dismissal.

From 6:30 to 7:15 a.m., only staff members and parents with their children who are registered for Before Care will be allowed to enter the campus at the front of the school. This will be tracked with Staff Identification Badges and with Before Care Registration Passes.

The front office will open for regular business hours from 7:15 to 3:00 p.m. The front gate will be locked at 8:00 a.m. after arrival. **All visitors will be required to call our main office at 754-323-5700 to gain access to the front office.** The gates will open at dismissal at 1:55 p.m. and lock again at 2:15 p.m. All students who are late arriving to school or are picked up after 2:15 p.m. must call the school to have the gates unlocked.

Students who are front walkers will be dropped off for arrival and may meet their parents at the front walker gate for dismissal.

After Care parents will pick up their child at the front office with proper identification and will also need to call the After-Care office at 754-323-5730 to gain access to the front office.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 17	PTO Fundraiser Due
Sept. 19	Day Off – No School
Sept. 21	PTO Spirit Store Open Peace Day – Wear White
Sept. 24 – 28	Start with Hello Week
Sept. 27	Dairy Queen Night
Sept. 28	PTO Spirit Store Open
Oct. 1 – 5	Harvest Drive Mac and Cheese, please!
Oct. 1 – 12	PTO Tech Trot Collection
Oct. 2	Fall Pictures Make-up Day
Oct. 3	Antonio's Pizza Night
Oct. 5	PTO Extreme Event
Oct. 10	Academic Night 5:00 p.m. PTO Meeting 6:00 p.m.
Oct. 12	PTO Spirit Store Open PTO Tech Trot Due



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