



“Season’s Greeting While Touching Lives Together Forever”

Principal’s Message

This story can fit 175-225 words.

The purpose of a newsletter is to provide specialized information to a targeted audience. Newsletters can be a great way to market your product or service, and also create credibility and build your organization’s identity among peers, members, employees, or vendors.

First, determine the audience of the newsletter. This could be anyone who might benefit from the information it contains, for example, employees or people interested in purchasing a product or requesting your service.

You can compile a mailing list from business reply cards, customer information sheets, business cards collected at trade shows, or membership lists. You might consider purchasing a mailing list from a company.

If you explore the Publisher catalog, you will find many publications that match the style of your newsletter.

Next, establish how much time and money you can spend on your newsletter. These factors will help determine how frequently you publish the newsletter and its length. It’s recommended that you publish your newsletter at least quarterly so that it’s considered a consistent source of information. Your customers or employees will look forward to its arrival.

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Special points of interest

- Winter Break– Dec. 26-Jan. 9th
- Jan. 12th– Early Release
- Jan. 13th– No School (Teacher Planning)
- Jan. 16th– No School (Dr. Martin Luther King Day)
- Jan. 25th– SAC/SAF Meeting @ 8:30



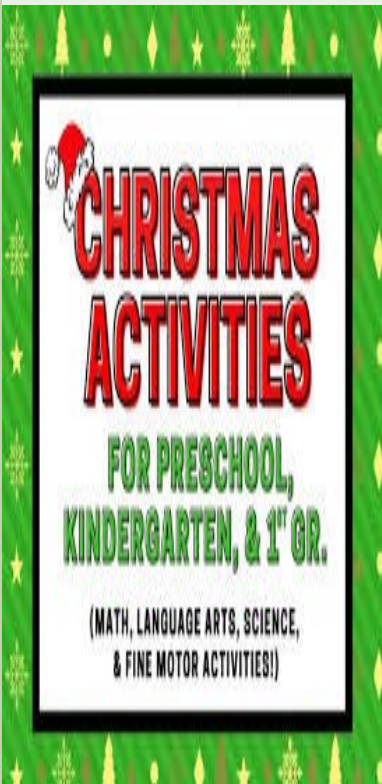
Parents' Corner

We invite all parents to join our School Advisory Council (SAC) and our School Advisory Forum (SAF). It is not too late to join. The next meeting is scheduled for January 25th, 2023. We look forward to seeing you soon.



“Diversity is the mix. Inclusion is making the mix work.”- Andre Topia

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ELA/MATH UPDATES

CELEBRATING SUCCESS IN ELA

- Pine Ridge increased by **28%** in reading during the 2021-2022 school year.

FACTS ABOUT THE F.A.S.T ASSESSMENT

- On September 14, 2021, Governor DeSantis announced that the state will file Legislation to eliminate the common-core based, end-of-year Florida Statewide Assessment and create the new Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (F.A.S.T.).
- Florida is becoming the first state in the nation to fully implement progress monitoring instead of end-of-year standardized testing and will fully eliminate Common Core.
- F.A.S.T. ASSESSMENT aligns with the Florida B.E.S.T. standards
- Hours rather than days to administer
- 3 opportunities to check-in on growth
- 75% less testing time = more time for learning
- Informs teachers so they can better help students
- Customizable, unique to each student
- Timely data during the school year



Native American Mirage



Native American Presentation

Native American History month is celebrated every November. To close out this grand celebration, Pine Ridge participated in a live Native American History Experience with Ms. Kim Cunningham from the Broward County Public Schools Social Studies Department.



Students in grades K-6 had the opportunity to experience live artifacts, Native American regalia, ask questions, learn new, and exciting information, all through a live experience. Our students thoroughly enjoyed this experience!



Parent Tips

Internet Safety

- Use the internet with your children.
- Teach your children never to give out personal information.
- Instruct your child never to plan a face-to-face meeting with online acquaintances.
- Establish clear ground rules for internet use with your family.

Tell your children not to respond if they receive offensive or dangerous emails, chat requests, or other types of communication; and to tell you.

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING CORNER (SEL)

Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) fosters life skills that build confidence and support mental and emotional health, enabling students to overcome challenges and thrive as they prepare for the 21st-century workplace.

Pine Ridge implements the SEL Curric-

ulum every single day to ensure our students are fostering positive behavior and social skills to be successful in and out of the classroom.

Mr. Pericles provides weekly what the SEL focus is for every grade level.

December 5-9				
Grade	LESSON: Relationships	LITERATURE		ACTIVITIES
K	People We Meet	Corduroy	Don Freeman	K-2 Students will participate in acts of kindness and create a drawing to represent all the different acts of kindness.
1	Kindness Kaleidoscope	A Sick Day for Amos McGee	Philip C. Stead	
2	Be a Good Classmate	Stone Soup	Marcia Brown	
3	Be a Good Student	Maniac McGee	Jerry Spinelli	3-5 Students will participate in acts of kindness and create a video to
4	Be a Good Neighbor	Because of Winn Dixie	Kate DeCamillo	
5	Character Counts			

Guidance Corner

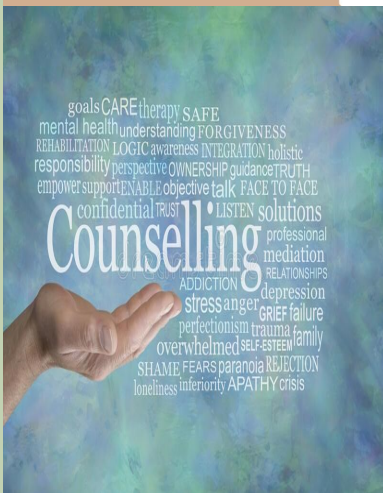
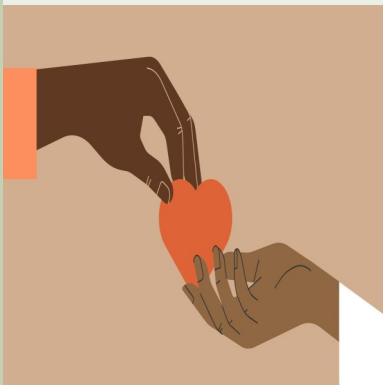
December Character Trait is Kindness

Kindness is the character trait for December. Kindness is being helpful, thoughtful, caring, compassionate, and considerate.



Counseling Corner

- ⇒ Praise is the number one way to change behavior. If you see behavior that you like praise, praise, and PRAISE some more! Rewarding (bribing) a child to stop a behavior causes them to do it more often.
- ⇒ After a punishment is all forgiven? Pressing restart and beginning again is critical to change. Children thrive on love, tolerance, and acceptance. Bonus: They will feel safe which also increases self-esteem and confidence.
- ⇒ Our emotions are mirrored by our children. If we yell at a yelling child to stop yelling, they may do so temporarily or they may yell louder. Ultimately, they learn that yelling solves the problem. All of our actions are copied by our "little mirrors." When they go high, it is important to go low in tone of voice and posture to communicate effectively and to stop the acting out and start the positive interactions.



Christmas Wonderland Program

“To catch the reader's attention, place an interesting sentence or quote from the story here.”

Christmas Wonderland Program Cont'd

This story can fit 150-200 words.

One benefit of using your newsletter as a promotional tool is that you can reuse content from other marketing materials, such as press releases, market studies, and reports.

While your main goal of distributing a newsletter might be to sell your product or service, the key to a successful newsletter is making it useful to your readers.

A great way to add useful content to your newsletter is to develop and write your own articles, or include a calendar of upcoming events or a special offer that promotes a new product.

You can also research articles or find “filler” articles by accessing the World Wide Web. You can write about a variety of topics but try to keep your articles short.

Much of the content you put in your newsletter can also be used for your Web site. Microsoft Publisher offers a simple way to convert your newsletter to a Web publication. So, when you're finished writing your

newsletter, convert it to a Web site and post it.

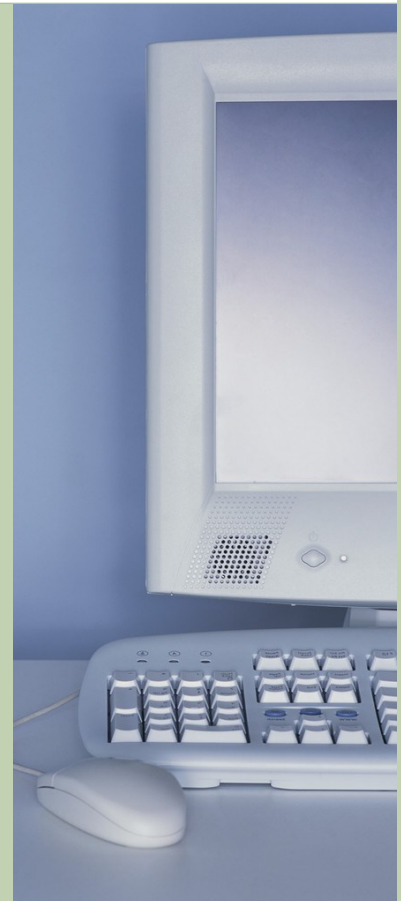
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The subject matter that appears in newsletters is virtually endless. You can include stories that focus on current technologies or innovations in your field.

You may also want to note business or economic trends, or make predictions for your customers or clients.

If the newsletter is distributed internally, you might comment upon new procedures or improvements to the business. Sales figures or earnings will show how your business is growing.

Some newsletters include a column that is updated every issue, for instance, an advice column, a book review, a letter from the president, or an editorial. You can also profile new employees or top customers or vendors.



Pine Ridge Education Center

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Pine Ridge Education Center is a school where second chances are given. We're the only Alternative Center for grades K-6; we also house the Promise Program (K-12), The R.I.S.E Program (7), and the AES Program (K-6). Even though we are an alternative center, we have high expectations for our students as it relates to academics and behavior. Our curriculum is the same as every other elementary school in the District, but we do implement the Social Emotional Learning (SEL) standards through our Life Skills class. We teach our students if no one else believes in them, they have to believe in themselves first.

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WISHING YOU
Happy Holidays
AND A WONDERFUL NEW YEAR