

PROWLS & GROWLS

*The monthly newsletter for Country Hills Elementary
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Our mission at Country Hills Elementary is to provide a nurturing environment that encourages all students to reach their maximum potential through active participation in a developmentally appropriate and engaging learning process. In partnership with home and community, Country Hills will strive for excellence in education, while meeting the diverse needs of our students and fostering a lifelong love of learning.

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Greeting CHE Families,

*As we move into the month of February, our hearts and thoughts look towards February, 14th, 2020, as the day we commemorate the MSD tragedy. Country Hills along with the district will recognize this day, as a day of **Service and Love**. Students will take part in various activities during the week which exhibit kindness towards their friends and peers, and in addition, at 10:17 a.m., the entire District will observe a moment of silence.*

As we continue into the third quarter of school, we happily celebrated the 100th day of school with our Kindergarten students at the end of January. It was such fun watching them parade the halls and sing about all they have learned during the first half of the year. We also enjoyed a visit and some storytelling from author Dr. John Becker and learned some musical academic skills from musician Jack Hartman. Students, staff and parents really turned out and showed their support.

Our students in grades 3-5 took the BSA assessments in reading, math and science. Teachers are now using this valuable data to drive their instruction and target students' needs in preparation for the upcoming Florida Standards Assessment (FSA).

Finally parents, we again want to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and being a part of the CHE team!

*Nicole Ortega
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- February 4 - Student Council Meeting @ 7:40am
- February 5 - Chocolate Bar Fundraiser Kickoff
- February 6 & 7 - Health Screenings (K, 1st & 3rd)
- February 7 - Club and 5th Grade Pictures
- February 7 - Wear Red for Heart Health
- February 10 - 1st Grade - Coral Springs Center for the Arts
- February 10 - Safety Town Field Trip - Read, LaPaglia, Gittens @ 9:30
- February 11- PTA Meeting @ 9:15am
- February 11 - Safety Town Field Trip - Brodmerkel, Bush, Jones @ 9:30
- February 11 - Interim Reports Go Home
- February 12 - Kindergarten Roundup @ 6:15
- February 13 - Grade Graduation Ceremony - 5th grade
- February 14 - Day of Service and Love
- February 14 - Early Release @ 12:10
- February 17 - No School - President's Day
- February 18 - Student Council Meeting @ 7:40am
- February 19 - Class Pictures
- February 19 - Parent Workshop - FSA Writing @ 6:00pm
- February 21 - 5th Grade visit to Coral Springs Middle
- February 21 - Palm Beach Zoo - 2, 2/3, 3
- February 24 - SAC/SAF Meeting @ 6:30pm
- February 26 - Multi-age Informational Meeting @ 6:15 pm
- February 28 - Rising Stars @ 9:00 am
- February 28 - High Touch, Hi Tech - 5th Grade

Inviting all class of 2033 GRADUATES!!

What: Please Come join us and take a Tour of our School!
Come see all the AMAZING things Country Hills has to offer!
Meet our Fabulous Teachers and learn more about various clubs and activities happening right here on campus!

Where: Country Hills Elementary

When: February 12th at 6:15pm

Registration Packets will be available as well as a tour of our school! We are excited to meet our littlest Panthers!

Kindergarten Registration

Day of Service and Love

2/14

#2getherInServiceandLove

WRITING FOR SUCCESS

Join us for an interactive and informative workshop for you and your 4th or 5th grade student.

Learn the basics of successful writing and the expectations for the upcoming writing portion of the FSA ELA assessment. Participate with your child in examining and scoring ample writing pieces to improve their understanding of the writing standards and scoring rubrics in order to increase your child's achievement level.

February 19, 2020
6:00 pm



- These recommendations can help reduce the chances of having a flu outbreak in your school:
1. Get vaccinated. The best way to prevent the flu is for you and your family to get a flu vaccine. ...
 2. Wash your hands often. ...
 3. Don't share personal items. ...
 4. Cover coughs and sneezes. ...
 5. Disinfect surfaces. ...
 6. Stay healthy.

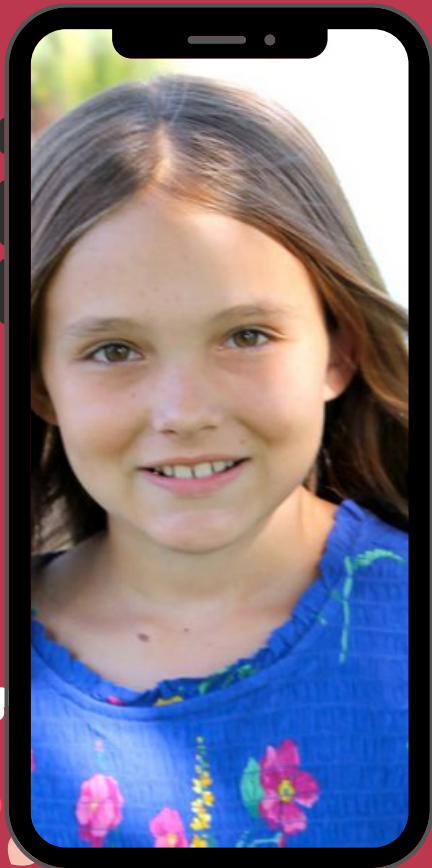
BCPS Observes A Day of Service and Love on Friday, February 14, 2020

In commemoration of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School tragedy Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) has designated Friday, February 14, 2020, as A Day of Service and Love.

It will be a day to give back to the community in honor of the 17 students and staff who were lost and those who were injured. A Day of Service and Love will be an early release day at BCPS and attendance by students is mandatory.

In collaboration with HandsOn Broward, the city of Parkland, the city of Coral Springs and the Interfaith Council, schools across the District will participate in activities and service projects for their schools and local communities.

At Country Hills, we will engage students in a variety of activities that exhibit kindness to their peer and school community. In addition, along with the entire District, we will observe a moment of silence at 10:17 a.m.



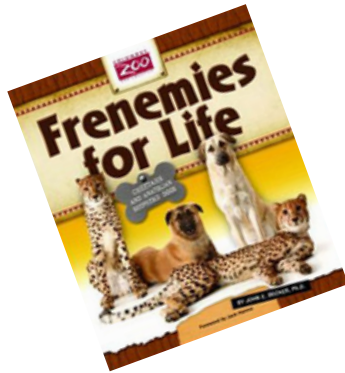
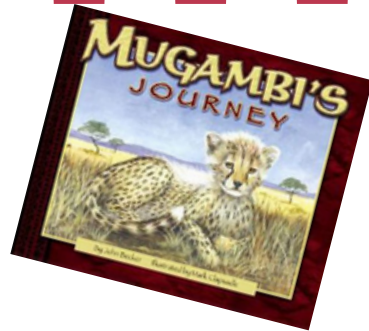
Country Hills Elementary safety patrol captain Kaitlin Enright nominated for Sun-Sentinel Kids of Character

Trait: Responsibility

Nominator: Julia Tezekjian, fifth-grade teacher

"The moment Kaitlin Enright walked into her new fifth-grade classroom, she has taken on the character trait of responsibility. This refers to making decisions that not only serve her own interests but also the interest of others. Kaitlin is an intelligent, hard-working student. When given a task, she puts her "all" into it, exceeding expectations. In the classroom, Kaitlin can handle the classroom and what needs to be done, which is beneficial while I work with others. She is the perfect "go-to" person.

Author visit with Dr. John Becker



Mrs. Franco's Class at Coral Springs City Hall accepting their 1st place award for the MLK Group Literacy exhibit! Great Job



Congratulations Ms. Read

Music with Jack Hartman

