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A Bi-Monthly Newsletter for
Parents and Students

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EMBASSY CREEK ELEMENTARY MISSION STATEMENT

To empower, nurture and facilitate our students to become global thinkers, lifelong learners and the problem solvers of tomorrow.



- Dec. 21st Jingle Bell Jog
- Dec. 21st Early Release Day @ 12:00 pm
- Dec. 24th- Jan. 7th Winter Break – NO SCHOOL
- Jan. 7th Employee Planning Day – NO SCHOOL
- Jan. 8th Start of 3rd Quarter
- Jan. 9th SAC/SAF Meeting @ 2:30 pm
- Jan. 11th PTA Meeting @ 8:15 am



In celebration of the winter season, the children, staff, and community will take to the streets during our Jingle Bell Jog.
Friday, December 21, 2018
8:15 – 10:30 AM

Please note that S.E. Lake Blvd. will be closed to traffic during the jog. Absolutely, no parking on the swale during the jog. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. BSO will be supervising the closure of S.E. Lake Blvd. If you have questions or concerns, contact Deputy Kiar at 754-323-5563.

To Our Wonderful Embassy Creek Family,

As the holidays and New Year approach, on behalf of the Administration and Staff of Embassy Creek Elementary, we would like to wish you and your families a Happy Holiday and a peaceful New Year. This time of year provides wonderful opportunities for families to spend quality time together and we know you will all take advantage of that. May the beauty of this holiday season warm your hearts, and may your travels be safe. Thank you for all the generous displays of appreciation.

We look forward to seeing everyone again in the New Year. Classes resume Tuesday, January 8, 2019.

Literacy Corner

Would you like to spend more time together with your family? Do you want your kids to build their literacy skills? You can achieve both goals with these fun family board games.

1. Tall Tales: The Game of Infinite Storytelling
2. Sequence Letters
3. Hedbanz
4. Boggle
5. Scrabble/Scrabble Jr.
6. Read My List!
7. Apples to Apples Junior

Parents, please be advised that we will be conducting a scheduled, code red drill on Monday, December 17 at 1 PM. If you are planning on signing your child out early from school on Monday please do so in advance of 1 PM, as the office closes during the drill and you will not be able to sign out your child.



While enjoying your Winter break, don't forget i-Ready is available. If you wish to log on, remember it's just 45 minutes per week for Reading and 45 minutes per week for Math. Wishing you a wonderful break!

YOUTH MENTORING

Would you like to make an amazing difference in a child's life? Here's your opportunity to become a MENTOR. I'm sure each and every one of you have had someone that touched your life and helped you to become who you are today. That person is what we call a MENTOR.

- A MENTOR IS:
- A Responsible and caring friend
 - A role model
 - A patient listener
 - An advocate
 - A nurturer of possibilities

We are in need of mentors! If you or someone you know are interested, please call for more information about this amazing program we have at Embassy Creek. Call Jackie Hudson or Rose Powers at 754-323-5550



Volunteers are needed to help place stickers on students artwork, stapling them and hanging them on the walls. Please contact Mrs. Morrison at ellen.morrison@browardschools.com to schedule any of the available times of 7:30 - 11:30 or 12:15 - 1:30. You need to be an approved volunteer to participate and no artistic ability is required.

ESE Corner

ESE Advisory's 4th Annual Family Resource Fair
Wednesday, January 16th (6:30 pm – 9:00 pm)
Piper High School
8000 NW 44th St., Sunrise

Autism Committee (ACE) General Meeting
Wednesday, January 16th (9:30 am – 11:30 am)
Baudhuin Preschool
7600 SW 36th St., Davie



Are you interested in becoming part of our ECE family? We have a part-time position available for 2.75 hours per day (10:30 – 1:15) monitoring the students in the cafeteria. Please contact Mrs. McGowan in the front office at 754-323-5550 if you are interested. Thank you!

PTA & OTHER MISC. NEWS...

We are so proud of all the students who participated in this year's Reflections Art Program. The theme "Hero's Among Us" inspired the children to use their creativity to honor heroes in their lives. Many of those heroes are right here at Embassy Creek Elementary. Almost all the students' work will be moving onto Broward County for judging. Congratulations to the following students:

Photography

Aviv Chervin, Primary
Sean Chervin, Primary
Isabella McCarthy, Intermediate
Emma Zorovich, Intermediate
Felipe Moreno, Intermediate

Visual Arts

Jordan Jockers, Intermediate
Aadi Patel, Intermediate
Briana Li, Intermediate
Jayden Castor, Intermediate

Dance Choreography

Adriana Korzak, Intermediate

Literature

Isabella McCarthy, Intermediate
Sydney Collado, Intermediate
Megan Morrina, Intermediate

Film Production

Selene Weiss, Intermediate
Lucas Lowe, Intermediate

Music Composition

Callie Cousin, Intermediate

YEARBOOK NEWS!!

NEW this year! YEARBOOK ADS will be custom created. You will simply pay for the ad size you desire. Within 30 minutes you should receive a link to create your own customized ad. Ads must be finalized by January 25, 2019.

BUY YOUR
Yearbook

Yearbooks are on Sale for \$35 till Jan 25, 2019.
www.ybpay.lifetouch.com Use code: 13273219

YEARBOOK is always looking for pictures to be added to the yearbook. All entries must be submitted via:
www.community.lifetouch.com Use Code: EBMNAF

Please join us for the
January
PTA Meeting
Your voice is important

Please join us for our 2019 PTA kick off meeting on Friday, January 11, 2019. During this important meeting we will be discussing plans and goals for the second half of the year and lots more. Mark your calendars now!

REPORTING AN ABSENCE

We are asking parents to please use our attendance line to report your child's absence. The number is 754-323-5552. Please speak clearly and slowly as we have to listen to the recording to gather the information. State your child's name, teacher, the reason, and the date they are absent. All absences should be reported to this number no later than 10 a.m. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the school.

Free Access to Federal Lands and Waters for 4th Graders!



Every Kid in a Park program allows fourth graders nationwide to obtain a pass for free entry for them and their families to more than 2,000 federally managed lands and waters nationwide for an entire year. Visit www.everykidinapark.gov to get your pass. Get outdoors!



A special thank you to ECE's PTA for purchasing planting pots, soil and seeds for our students in Kindergarten, First and Second grades. Students in Kindergarten planted lettuce seeds while our First and Second graders planted green bean bush seeds. These hands-on materials are used to teach concepts such as the needs of plants, plant life cycles and characteristics of soil.

Learn about the benefits of gardening for young children at <http://www.pbs.org/parents/expert-tips-advice/2016/03/gardening-kids-affects-childs-brain-body-soul/>



Students can go Beyond the Hour of Code at <https://hourofcode.com/us/beyond#student-section> or through their Broward SSO with Code Studio. Students can also work on other Hour of Code activities on <https://code.org/learn>.



A BIG THANK YOU to Covetique, Bru's Room, Engineered Yacht Solutions, Max and Mo's, and Studz and Stones for contributing Gift Cards for our STAFF HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES! We appreciate your generosity!

Happy Holidays from the Green Team!

The Holiday season is here and along with it comes gift giving! We especially love giving gifts to our loved ones, but this can add to unnecessary waste in our environment. Here are a few tips for an eco-friendly gift giving season:

1. Reuse wrapping paper or gift bags. You can even iron out the wrinkled part of wrapping paper or use the previous folds.
2. Use what you already have around the house for wrapping: newspaper, shopping bags, gently used old cloth such as scarves or thin towels. Kids love to decorate brown paper bags to use as wrapping paper!
3. Reuse wrapping for craft projects.
4. Send digital holiday or e-cards.
5. Reuse envelopes from holiday cards by placing sticker labels over the old details.
6. If you need to buy wrapping, look for paper and bags that can be reused or recycled.