

#### DAVIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Robert N. Schneider, Principal
Dawn Graber, Intern Principal







#### Sheriff's Message



Happy New Year! We are looking forward to a new year filled with excitement, new learning experiences and fun. We hope everyone had a relaxing winter break and enjoyed time with their families. As we begin the New Year, we ask that you join us in pledging to strive for excellence. When students, staff, parents and community members work together we give our students a strong foundation to succeed in the future. We must continue to maintain a

school environment that expects excellence from all. By working together, we are confident this New Year will bring further success for all of our students.

As we maintain high standards and expectations from ourselves and from our students, we are dedicated to providing the very best educational environment for your child. The time is fast approaching when our students will be involved in school-wide testing. You can help your child by making sure that he/she is in school on time each day. Also ask your child to share some of the special things that he/she has been involved with at school. Have fun and show them how much you value a good education and good communication. Remember we all have things to learn and we may not know it (YET!), but we will learn new things each and every day.

Congratulations to Ms. Wites for a fantastic holiday show, the Davie Dance Team, directed by Ms. Korba and the Davie Cheerleading Team directed by Ms. Rueda.

Sincerely,

Robert Schneider.

Principal

Dawn Graber

Intern Principal



#### Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

All Schools in Broward County will be closed on Monday, January 21, 2019 in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. King was a great man and a leader in the American Civil Rights Movement. You can learn more about Dr. King on the following website: <a href="http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/explore/history/martin-luther-king-jr/">http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/explore/history/martin-luther-king-jr/</a>

# Community Generosity Makes the Holidays a Little Brighter for Davie Families

A BIG "Thank you" to our local partners who have donated food, supplies, and gifts for our needy families. Our Kiwanis Club of Davie/West Hollywood Charity Riders and Wings of Gold donated 75

bikes at our annual holiday party. They provided a beautiful lunch, holiday craft projects, and memories to last a lifetime. Thank you to our PTO who assisted us with holiday book donations for our children. The Davie/Cooper City Rotary Club out did themselves at the annual holiday party, held at Signature Grand.

Davie Elementary sends a BIG thank you to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church for continuing the "Blessings in a Backpack" program. They have been supplying 70 families with food for the weekend and we are truly thankful! Fifty five of our families received holiday food baskets from Hawkes Bluff Elementary School. Our students, faculty, and parents are truly thankful for the continued support you give to our children. We hope you and your families had a wonderful holiday season and we look forward to honoring our partnerships in 2019!



## There's a World of Color in Head Start



The children had lots of fun learning about the holidays around the world. We hope that your family had a wonderful and safe winter break. We welcome you to a new beginning in 2019. As we start off the New Year, we will be learning about color, such as: color names, color mixing, stains, fading, camouflage, and color patterns. We will be listening to stories to increase vocabulary and observe and explore color and patterns. Parents, please continue to practice letter names and

sounds and rhyming words each night. Thank you for all of your support in your child's education.

#### Take a Trip to the Library with Your Kindergartener

Kindergarten students are well rested from Winter Break and ready for a new year of learning! Your child will be focusing on applying their letter name and sound knowledge to sound out new words! We will also be learning five new sight words a week. Remember to keep reviewing the old sight words even as your child learns new ones. Plan a family trip to the library to check out new books for your kindergartner to practice their new reading skills on!



# First Graders Get Special Visitor

We hope all of our first grade families had a happy and safe holiday. We hope 2019 will be filled with health and happiness for all of you and your loved ones. On **January 18<sup>th</sup>** the first graders will be visited by horses from the South Florida Trail Riders Association. This special treat is part of the Horses Tales Reading program.

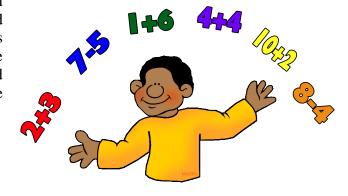
Our fabulous first graders need to continue practicing their reading and math skills and concepts each and every day. Remember to use I-Ready at home. Happy New Year!

# **Second Graders: Practice Your Math Facts!**

Our Second grade teachers hope all of our families and friends had an enjoyable Winter Break. As we begin our new year preparing our students with the Florida State Standards, it is important that all students know basic

addition and subtraction facts to 20. We are working on addition and subtraction to 100 with regrouping and knowing basic facts will allow your child to master this standard. Your child is learning new skills daily. Please READ, READ, READ, and check their folder and planners daily for important information. We appreciate your support!

Happy New Year!







We hope you all had a very relaxing and enjoyable Winter Break! Your children continue to work hard on their reading and math standards in class. We are learning new things all the time! In addition to homework, your child should also be reading a variety of texts every night. Examples of different texts include poetry, non-fiction, news articles, directions, "how to" articles, fables, mysteries, and folktales. Remember to make reading fun!

# **Fourth Grade Gets Ready With IReady**

We hope you all had a wonderful break! Now, it's time to buckle down for the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). Teachers urge students to memorize their multiplication fact families. The Florida Standards test is a timed test, so students need to be able to recall facts quickly and accurately. Without a strong foundation in basic math facts, students will struggle on the math portion. Remember to log on to iReady for extra reading and math. Students should practice for the rapidly approaching writing portion of the FSA. Also please read for at least 30 minutes every night. Fourth graders need a daily supply of sharpened pencils, paper and journal books for every class. Parents, please read and sign the planner each evening, as this is a great way to communicate with each other. Also, check homework and make sure that your child is completing it on time.... thank you for your continued support and assistance!



# Fifth Grade Thanks Our Fantastic Biztown Volunteers



The Fifth grade teachers would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the parents for your support and wish you a happy holiday season. On November 14, 2018, the fifth graders went to JA Biztown. The field trip was a huge success thanks to our wonderful volunteers! We could not have done it without you!! Just a friendly reminder to please look in your child's planner each night for homework and teacher notes. Also, your child should be going onto i-Ready at least 45 minutes each week for Math and 45 minutes each week for Reading. Again, thank you for your help and support!

# A Message from the Guidance Office:

Have You Filled A Bucket Today?

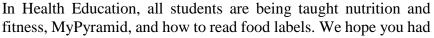


Our Davie Mustangs have proven to be true "Bucket Fillers". Our students and staff have been showing kindness and respect to others, making each other feel special. With such positive attitudes, and high self-esteem, there is certain to be success at Davie Elementary! Way to go Davie Mustangs!

#### **HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWSLETTER**

During the months of November and December all 3-5 grades were tested on the Presidential Youth Fitness

Program and the students who passed the seven fitness tests will be rewarded with presidential medals at the end of this school year. Parents are encouraged to attend the award ceremonies. In December We were now into field day mode The Head Start/Kindergarten through had their field day the last week before winter break. The fifth grade classes will have their field day after the break. Dates to be announced. Parents who are registered volunteers are encouraged to volunteer to help with your child's day of fun and fitness activities.



a Merry Christmas from our Davie Elementary faculty and my family to yours.

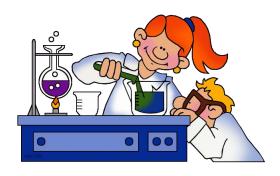
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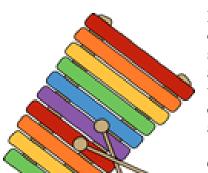


# **Science Lab**

In the primary grades, the investigation of rocks and soil continues to investigate how the different soils react to water. Absorption and erosion with wind and water are the subject of our investigations.

In the intermediate levels, the investigation of soils and density provides the students with knowledge of the density of solids, erosion by wind and water, and how the land if formed by natural processes every day.





#### **Musical Notes**

Music and Dance extra-curricular activities will reopen in mid-January. Look out for parent links and letters going home to sign-up. We will be auditioning students who want to be in the Spring Concert. Audition dates will be announced with the release of sign-up paperwork and parent links. Students will need to be able to commit to the morning and after school rehearsals, demonstrate proper behavior and respect, and a thirst to learn and grow in the arts.

Congratulations to all of the student performers who participated in the Winter Concert! It was a massive success in showcasing the talent here at Davie Elementary. A big thank you to:

- Mr. Schneider and Mrs. Graber for their support of the arts.
- Mrs. Hernandez and Mrs. Urtecho for assisting with feeding our performers.
- **Ms. Korba** for all of her assistance with directing the show.
- Mrs. Wozniak and her aftercare students for creating our concert backdrop.
- Dr. Carel, Mrs. Kearney, Mrs. Kriner, and Mrs. Perez for assisting with the cafeteria decorations.
- Mrs. Herrmann for assisting in every way conceivable.
- Our custodial staff for keeping our concert space clean and safe for all visitors and students.

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I look forward to working with all of our students for the rest of the 2017-2018 school year!

Sincerely,

Marissa Wites
Davie Elementary
Music Teacher
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