

Davie Elementary *Title I School-wide Project* 7025 S.W. 39th Street * Davie, FL. 33314 * 754-323-5400 Robert N. Schneider, *Principal* * Dawn Graber, *Intern Principal*



Sheriff's Message



Believe it or not we are already half way through the school year. Our major focus continues to be on fundamental skills and meeting each child's individual needs. The Broward Standards Assessment (BSA) test was given to all third, fourth and fifth grade students on January $15^{\text{th}} - 24^{\text{th}}$. Please take the time to review daily homework with your

child. Research indicates that students are more successful in school when parents take an active role in their child's education.

State testing is just around the corner. We are prepared to assist you with materials and share strategies to work at home with your child. If you need home study materials for your child, please contact the school or your child's teacher for extra practice materials. We would be happy to send them home.

Deadline to Apply for School Choice is Wednesday, February 6th, 2019, if you are interested in submitting an application for your child for a magnet program, Nova school or school reassignment for the 2019/2020 school year you can apply online or learn more about the application process by visiting <u>browardschools.com/schoolchoice</u>.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you, the parents, for your continued support.

Happy Valentine's Day!

Sincerely,

Robert N. Schneider

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Dawn Graber

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Davie Elementary will celebrate Black History during the month of February. There will be various activities through the month to raise students' awareness of Black History.





Moment of Silence

We will be observing a moment of silence on February 14, 2019 at 10:17 a.m. in memory of the victims from Stoneman Douglas High School.

Head Start Celebrates February Holidays



We will be celebrating Valentine's Day on Thursday, February 14th. Students will be creating Valentine's Day boxes for homework. Look in your child's backpack for directions!

In addition, we will discuss two former presidents whose birthdays are in February: George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. We will discover

their images on our money (coins and bills) and discuss why "Honesty is the best policy."

Registration for Early Head Start and Head Start will begin soon! Please check your child's backpack daily for more information.

The rest of the month, we will be rhyming to the beat and rocking with the alphabet! Don't forget to be involved in your child's education....spend time with your child, complete the suggested daily activities and read every night

First Grade Plans Trip to the Rodeo



Every year the Davie/Cooper City Rotary Club and the South Florida Trail Riders Association sponsor the "Horse Tales Literacy Program" for our fabulous first graders. They always begin with "Meeting and Greeting the Horses" in January on our campus. Our students are thrilled to get up close to these beautiful animals. At this time, each student is given a brand new book to read, <u>Little Black, a Pony.</u>

We are now so excited for the next event. We are looking forward to our upcoming Bergeron Rodeo field trip on February 20, 2019. We can't wait to read to the horses and receive another book by author, Walter Farley. We know this will be a memorable experience for our young readers. We are so grateful to have this reading program offered to our students to help promote literacy. For the field trip, please have your child bring a bagged lunch, wear comfortable sneakers, and wear a Davie Elementary shirt if they have one. Thank you!

Second Grade Honors Special Days in February



February is a busy month in Kindergarten! Black History Month, Presidents' Day, Valentine's Day, and Groundhog Day are a few of the many themes we will focus on during the month of February. We are already collecting for our next field trip, Tradewinds Park Farm. The \$14.00 online

payment and permission slip will be due for that field trip on Monday, February 11th. Early payment is

appreciated. Keep practicing your sight words every day!

Second Graders Need to Read Nightly to be Ready for 3rd Grade

Second graders are excited to attend our field trip to the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society during February. Students will



travel back in time to see what Fort Lauderdale looked like 100 years ago. Please check your child's homework folder or agenda for more information regarding the field trip.

Comprehension is a key element in reading. Using Think Aloud Strategies as they read will build comprehension skills. Remember to ask your child to retell what he or she has read. Remind your child to include the story characters and what happened in the beginning, middle and end of the story. Continue to read with your child for at least 20 minutes each night.

In addition, please help your child study and review addition and subtraction facts from 0-20. We are working on adding and subtracting three-digit numbers. Students need to be fluent in these facts by the end of 2nd grade. Everything you do at home helps your child to be better prepared at school. Thanks for all of your support and encouragement.

Third Grade Test Preparation is Underway!

We are gearing up and working hard to prepare ourselves for the Florida Standards



Assessment that will soon be here. It is essential that students read each and every day and practice the fact families in multiplication. Make reading and math time fun by practicing together with your child! We are eagerly awaiting our field trip to the Palm Beach Zoo on March 1st. Make sure your child comes prepared to school with a labeled bagged lunch (unless they are purchasing one from the cafeteria) and their Davie tshirt.

Websites That Can Help Your Fifth Grader Prepare for Testing

Fifth graders are working very hard with their reading, math, writing, and science skills. To help your child get ready for the Florida State Assessment have them read every night, practice their math facts, and go on I- Ready for 45 minutes for math and 45 minutes for reading. Some



of the other websites that your child can go onto are located on the single sign on page. We are preparing to go to BizTown on February 2nd. Thank you to the parents who volunteered. Remember to check your child's planner each night for homework and notes from the teacher. Happy Valentine's Day!

HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWSLETTER Dr. William H. Carel III



We are now entering the third quarter and physical education and just ended field days for grades PreK to 4th and fifth grade field day will be on March 20 just before spring break.

All students are now being taught how to throw and catch properly as well as the fifth graders practicing their field day events.

We are now in full swing for our Jump Rope for Heart event which is on February 8 for a hype up assembly held by the American Heart Association and the actual JRFH event is FEBRUARY 22, 2019.

In health education, all students are being taught body systems and how their body works.

For further information about the health and physical education program, please feel free to contact me. I am in need of judges and help with the 5th grade field day on March 20th. Thank you in advance if you can help. It's a very competitive event and all the students are in it to win it.

Students "Look to the Stars" in Science Lab

"The stars at night are big and bright, deep in the heart of Texas."

In the Primary grades, we are finding stars big and bright, all over the universe. We are learning about the star in our solar system called the Sun. We are learning what the sky looks like at night and during the day. In addition, we are learning about our Moon. We have learned that the moon reflects light and



shows a different shape or phases, throughout the time it revolves around our planet, Earth. In the Intermediate levels, we are investigating mixtures, including solutions and suspensions. Our investigation includes what will happen to a solution, salt water that is mixed with a suspension, sand water and poured through a filter into a tray to be evaporated. Be sure to ask your child to share the results of their investigation. What happened to the filtrate?

<u>Spring Show</u> Davie Dancers and Singers



Dear Parents and Mustangs,

We are very excited to announce that the Music program will continue for the 2018-2019 school year. If your child participates, they will be included in the Spring Show. Below is the schedule for morning rehearsals and on the next page are after school practices.

***Dance Team** (3rd – 5th grades) **Mondays** from 7:30a.m. – 7:55a.m. in Ms. Korba's room #124.

***Chorus** (3rd – 5th grades) **Tuesdays** from 7:30a.m. – 7:55a.m. in Ms. Korba's room #124.

Free breakfast is offered to all students, so if you are having breakfast at Davie Elementary, you must arrive at 7:15 a.m. and have breakfast before attending breakfast.

Remember that attendance in the morning and after school rehearsals are a requirement of participation. The morning practice time will be short; therefore, it is important that we begin on time and are focused during practice. Unfortunately, students who miss 3 or more practices may be dropped from the program if their ability to perform is affected by their absences.

Students who participate in the music programs must have appropriate behavior and show effort with their homework and classwork from their grade level teacher. If you have a concern about this, please contact Ms. Wites or Ms. Korba.

Please complete the Interest Form on the last page and return to Ms. Korba only. The Interest Form is due to Ms. Korba by Friday, January 25, 2019.

The first morning practices will be:

Monday, February 4, 2019 at 7:30a.m. for Dance Team in Ms. Korba's room #124. Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at 7:30a.m. for Chorus in Ms. Korba's room #124.

We are very excited to begin rehearsing and performing!

Ms. Wites Ms. Korba

Spring Variety Talent Show

Dear Davie Students, Parents, and Teachers,

This year we are thrilled to announce that Davie Elementary is going to have a Spring Variety Talent Show! Come show off your amazing talent!

The show will include the Dance Team, the Chorus, the Cheerleaders, AND beginning this year individual and group acts to involve students from Kindergarten through fifth grade and teachers/staff members.

<u>Auditions will be held on Friday, February 1, 2019 from 2p.m. – 4p.m. in</u> <u>Ms. Korba's room (Rm. 124)</u> for any individual or group that is interested. When auditioning, please bring all items necessary to show off your talent, such as music, props, instruments, etc.

Important: Students that have been accepted into the Variety Show will be expected to come to the afternoon practices as stated below. From 2-3 p.m., the students will be practicing their talent show act and from 3-4 p.m. students will be practicing the first and last song of the show with all of the other acts.

Please note: Dancers, Chorus members, and Cheerleaders will also be able to audition for an individual or group talent. Please fill out both forms if you are interested in both.

Remember that attendance in the after school rehearsals is a requirement of participation. Unfortunately, students who miss 3 or more practices may be dropped from the program if their ability to perform is affected by their absences.

Students who participate in the music programs must have appropriate behavior and show effort with their homework and classwork from their grade level teacher. If you have a concern about this, please contact Ms. Korba or Ms. Wites.

We cannot wait to see all of your amazing talents!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Ms. Korba 754-323-5400 or <u>helaine.korba@browardschools.com</u> (subject: Variety Show)

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