

THE TRADEWINDS EAGLE

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For your child's safety, ALL visitors MUST check in and receive a visitor's pass.

From the Principal's Desk:

Tradewinds Elementary will be celebrating Literacy Week from January 27th through the 30th. This year's theme is "Book Your Trip: Adventure Awaits." We are excited to share the daily activities and learning opportunities that are currently being planned (stay tuned)! Our PTA is also planning a spectacular Spring Book Fair during the week of March 9th. Currently, there are many activities throughout campus to commemorate Martin Luther King Jr. and through February as we celebrate Black History Month. Students are hearing read-alouds, writing about his life and dreams as well as their own dreams, creating posters, writing essays about MLK's many beautiful and inspirational ideas and researching famous Americans.

By this time, all K-5 students have completed their I-Ready diagnostic assessments in Reading and Mathematics and should be working on their specific learning paths. Each student's learning path is differentiated to meet their academic needs and aligned to the standards. Please inform your child(ren)'s teacher(s) if you need assistance.

Two extended learning programs are occurring in January: The "Soaring Eagle Clubs" are eight-week sessions and instructed by our teachers and coordinated by Mrs. Dorman (kristen.dorman@browardschools.com) our Literacy Coach. If your child(ren) are not currently enrolled, there will be another registration opportunity after spring break. Our Language Enrichment Camp (LEC) will also be instructed by our teachers on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:00-3:00 and begin on January 30th. LEC is coordinated by Mrs. Quezada (indira.quezada@browardschools.com).

Grade 3-5 students have completed the Reading portion of the Broward Standards Assessment. This benchmark to spring's Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) will provide our school with essential targeted data in all ELA, Math and Science strands. As always, promptness and attendance is important to student achievement. Whenever our school tests, we are in need of proctor support and wish to thank all of our parents and family members who assisted our school this past week. If you are an approved volunteer who is willing to assist during this testing window, please contact Ms. Rosie Mascarella as soon as possible. The BSA Science (Grade 5) will continue tomorrow followed by next week's Mathematics (Grades 3-5). Spring's FSA dates are outlined on page 2.

Our school store "Eagles Landing" opened Friday and children were able to redeem their "eagles bucks" for a variety of special prizes. Students who didn't shop today will be able to do so on Thursday, January 23rd. Students receive these bucks from staff when they are noticed doing the right thing and demonstrating positive character. We look forward to continuing this new program and recognizing students for great acts of kindness.

All parents are invited to our Title One parent learning opportunity, Coffee and Comprehension on Friday, January 31 at 8:30 a.m. Mrs. Dorman will help all in attendance understand the FSA Writing Assessment and how to best assist your child(ren) with the writing process. Translation for Portuguese and Spanish speaking parents will be available.

Calendar of Events:

Jan. 21 & 22 BSA Science Grade 5

Upcoming Events:

Jan. 27 – 31 Literacy Week

Jan. 28 100th Day of School

Jan. 28 & 29 BSA Mathematics Grades 3 – 5

Jan. 29 Issue Report Cards

10 am Tornado Drill

6:30 pm FSA Grade 3 Parent Night

Jan. 31 8:30 am Coffee and Comprehension

Character Education * R E S P E C T

More examples of how to show respect:

- Get to school on time.
- Obey your parents and adults in charge.
- **Knock** before entering.
- **4** Ask before you borrow something.
- Return things you borrow on time.
- ♠ Avoid pointing your finger at people.
- # Hold the door for someone.
- Never make fun of others. Let others know vou care.
- **★** Tell yourself to be your best and do your best.

Check Backpacks Regularly

Has your child cleaned out his/her schoolbag? Developing this habit can prevent common problems, such as forgetting to get permission slips signed. Suggest that your child do this each weekend and give him/her a special place to put papers for you.

2020-21 Head Start Application Dates

The 2020-21 Head Start program is accepting applications **February 3 – March 13.** For specific dates, times, sites, and requirements, visit www.browardschool.com/headstart-vpk.

School Choice • Deadline February 5

Parents can submit an application for a <u>Nova</u> school, <u>magnet</u> school or <u>reassignment</u> until **February 5** for the 2020-21 school year. You are encouraged to explore all of the educational opportunities available in Broward County and make the choice.

Upcoming open house events are listed at: browardschools.com/Page/50454. To learn more about School Choice options, the application and notification timelines, visit browardschools.com/schoolchoice.

Exercise to the Daily Routine

Today, children and adults do not get as much physical activity, as technology has played a role in the declining levels of physical activity. In the past, children participated in many more outdoor activities; and today, they settle for watching television or playing videos. At least 30 minutes of moderate physical activity is the recommended minimum. Encourage your youngster to be active – small amounts of time will add up. Here are some tips:

- ✓ Invite friends for a backyard game of tag.
- ✓ Suggest jumping rope for 10 minutes.
- ✓ Put on some music and dance to it.
- ✓ Bike together to a friend's house. (For safety, use sidewalks and wear helmets.)

Reading Across Broward (RAB)

Remember to use Beanstack to log the books you have read at https://www.clever.com. Click on "Login as a student."

User: 06# (student ID#),

Password: MM/DD/YYYY (birthday date)

<u>Save The Dates</u>: Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) Schedule:

April 1st and 2nd - English and Language Arts (FSA ELA Reading) - Grade 3

April 2^{nd} - English and Language Arts (FSA ELA Writing Component) - Grades 4-5

May 4^{th} – May 15^{th} (Window) - Primary Reading End-of-Year Assessment - Grades 1-2

May 5^{th} and 6^{th} - English and Language Arts (FSA ELA Reading) - Grades 4-5

May 12^{th} and 13^{th} - Mathematics (FSA Math) - Grades 3-5

May 19th and May 20th - Statewide Science Assessment - Grade 5

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