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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:

I am pleased to announce that our Assistant Principal Mrs. Sabrina Sheib, is the Superintendent's recommended candidate to be appointed as the next Principal of Riverside Elementary School. Her appointment is pending final School Board approval at the December 18th School Board meeting. Mrs. Sheib has been a caring, dedicated and innovative leader at Tradewinds Elementary School for the past year and a half. With confidence, I believe that she will continue the course of high quality instruction and academic excellence throughout the Riverside Elementary learning community. Please join me in thanking her for her service and wishing her the very best in her new position. At this same meeting, I have been asked to share our school's prestigious award received at the ECTAC Conference as Tradewinds continues to exceed expectations as a Title One school.

Thank you to all of our Career Day guests who presented to the children last Friday. Each of you contributed to a wonderful ending of a week of learning about college and career readiness. Students and staff also enjoyed learning how our staff attended colleges and universities all throughout the world. It was also great to see students and staff wearing their favorite college shirts, the school's colors or to dress in career uniforms. Thank you Mrs. Antolini for organizing Career Day.

Coach House's Kindergarten, First and Fourth Grade's Field Day was successful today. The theme of the "games" was sportspersonship and character. Second, Third and Fifth Grade's will take place tomorrow. Thank you to our PTA who will be awarding all of our children with an icee from Kona Ice. Kindergarten will entertain all of us this week with their Holiday Sweets and Treats show. Parents and families of those performing will be able to join us on their scheduled day. On Friday's Polar Express/Winter Celebration, all students are encouraged to wear their pajamas to school. The day will begin with student entertainment, an annual visit from a winter character and then follow up with classroom center activities directed by the teachers.

Last Thursday, our Debate Team traveled to Everglades High School and performed their original oratory, impromptu, dramatic interpretation or humorous interpretation speeches. Being involved in debate gives students the opportunity to communicate through voice and research in dramatic ways. Students also build collaboration and communication skills...lifelong skills necessary for success. Congratulations to the following students: Zarya Petidos and Paityn Scott (Duo Interpretation), Aliyah Gurreonero and Drew Weaver (Impromptu), Mia Gallardo Interpretation and Diego Flores (Interpretation) and Natalie Walker, Kayla Fioravante, Mason Udell, Alexander Nguyen, Jordan Law, Caleb Achmad, Brooke Patrick, Christan Tam and Dailynn McCray (Oratory). During this tournament, both Kayla and Mason won medals. Thank you Mrs. Morgan for leading our children.

There will be no homework due on Tuesday, January 8th. However, students are encouraged to work on our web-based programs, class projects, Reading Across Broward and any other assignment that are on-going and assigned by the teacher. I-Ready is a K-12 adaptive diagnostic for reading and mathematics and is highly recommended that all of our students participate at home. Other ideas include writing thank you letters, following recipes and organizing book bags, binders and folders. Most importantly, it's time for students to enjoy their time with family and friends.

On behalf of Tradewinds Elementary School, I wish all of you a happy, healthy holiday and a prosperous new year. School resumes on Tuesday, January 9th.

If you need assistance in reading or understanding this newsletter, please call the school.

Calendar of Events:

Dec. 18 8:15 am Field Day – Grade 2
 9:45 am Field Day – Grade 3
 12:15 pm Field Day – Grade 5
 Dec. 19 Multiplication Olympics Grade 3
 Dec. 19-20 9 am Kindergarten Show
 Dec. 21 Winter Express Day
 12 noon Early Release



Upcoming Events:

Dec. 24 – Jan. 7 No School – Winter Break
 Jan. 8 Start 3rd Quarter (51 Days)

Character Education • Kindness

These are some of the way to show kindness:

- Share things and time with a person in need.
- Design get well cards for children who are in the hospital or cheery cards for the elderly in nursing homes. Donate them to hospitals or nursing homes during the holidays.
- Call grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins just to say “hello.”
- Send a letter of support and thanks or a holiday card to a military serviceperson away from home.
- As a gift, give time. Why not offer to do the dishes every night, set the table, prepare breakfast, walk the dog, wash the car, or work in the garden as a present?
- Donate any unwanted gifts to a charity.

PTA Giving Tree

Wow! Thank you to all that donated for our Annual Giving Tree. Your PTA appreciates your continued support of our TWE family.

Lost and Found

Please ask your child to check on the cafeteria stage for jackets and lunchboxes. Unfortunately, unclaimed item will be discarded.

Title 1 Corner – Annual Survey

The Title I Annual Survey is available at:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeA0ESn8HREFzbC0s-PC_HSlq1DQ50ubrO3PFmGwGQxzgF8jA/viewform
 For easy access, you may find it on our website.

Tips for Coping with Holiday Stress

- ✓ Be realistic about what you can and cannot do.
- ✓ Do not put all your energy into just one day.
- ✓ If you are lonely, try volunteering some time to help others.
- ✓ Find activities that are free, such as looking at holiday decorations.
- ✓ Reach out and make new friends.
- ✓ Let others share the responsibilities or tasks.
- ✓ Keep track of your holiday spending. Over-spending can lead to depression when the bills arrive after the holidays are over.
- ✓ Plan a day to relax and unwind, make it your personal getaway to find inner peace.

Uniform Clothing Bank

As you go through closets and drawers and find your child has outgrown their uniforms in hunter green, khaki, yellow, or white, please consider donating them to the Uniform Box. We appreciate your help in stocking up the PTA Uniform Exchange Bank. If you would like to receive uniforms from the Exchange Bank, please call our office with the request and give your child's name and size.

Reading Across Broward (RAB)

The Winter Break is a great time to read. Remember to use your RAB log to keep track of the books you have read.

The Broward Standards Assessment (BSA)

The Broward Standards Assessment (BSA) is scheduled for after winter recess. This progress monitoring assessment is essential as it lets us know what our third, fourth and fifth grade students can do, but most importantly the differentiated instruction necessary as we make changes to the instructional focus. The BSA is an indicator of how children may perform on Spring's Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). Please plan accordingly.

Thursday, January 10th - Grade 3 ELA Session 1
 Monday, January 14th - Grades 4 - 5 ELA Session 1
 Wednesday, January 16th - Grade 3 Math Session 1
 Wednesday, January 23rd - Grades 4 - 5 Math Session 1
 Monday, January 28th - Grade 5 Science Session 1

Friday, January 11th - Grade 3 ELA Session 2
 Tuesday, January 15th - Grades 4 - 5 ELA Session 2
 Thursday, January 17th - Grade 3 Math Session 2
 Thursday, January 24th - Grades 4 - 5 Math Session 2
 Tuesday, January 29th - Grade 5 Science Session 2

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