

# 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:

Congratulations to Mrs. Solow and her wonderful Mandarin dancers: Amirah Akkasha, Anayah Alexis, Eva Burdick, Sarah Jananan and Chelsea Valcourt, who performed before our Superintendent and The School Board last Tuesday morning. The performance was in resolution and support for the Chinese New Year (February 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>). Along with our social emotional learning activities, we are proud to expose our students to a variety of cultural experiences and learning opportunities. Today, we had our second annual Chinese New Year Parade at TWE.

As we move into a "new school season", I would like to thank the TWE community as we implement new and on-going safety measures. Your patience is appreciated as safety does not always come along with convenience. If you haven't done so already, please sign up for my important second-by-second updates (via REMIND).

Below outlines on-going and some new safety measures and reminders at Tradewinds:

- Arrival takes place through two doors only: Courtyard Doors (adjacent to the single-point of entry) and Bus Entrance (bus students only). Building 1 K/1 doorway, 4/5 doorway and Building 3 Entrance will be closed and locked. Any district, community and/or visitors to Tradewinds must always sign in through STAR with Mr. Muller and have scheduled business.
- Due to the overwhelming amount of people on the car line at dismissal, the following will remain: What is a Car Rider? Car Riders at TWE are students who will be picked up in a car and on the car line. Therefore, nobody should be walking up to the car line. The only adults on this line should be staff. What is a Walker? Walkers at TWE are students who either walk home or whose parent parks elsewhere and walks up to the school to retrieve them. Please be prompt as walkers are expected to leave at the 2:00 bell.
- The calendar includes several upcoming opportunities to visit campus including school-wide performances, shows, assemblies and meetings. We thank you for your continued patience arriving extra early to sign in. Otherwise, you may miss the event as we have one STAR system. Additional police presence will continue to be requested for every event and will be verified with our city officials.
- Our school will continue to have monthly lockdown and fire drills with the support of The Coconut Creek Police Department and The School Board of Broward County's Special Investigative Unit. Each time that we have a drill, I will continue to notify all registered parents via ParentLink and Remind. If you haven't done so already, please sign up for important second-by-second updates (via REMIND).

Please mark your calendars: <u>Thursday, February 28th</u> at 2:20 - School Advisory Committee Meeting (Project charter meeting to receive an update on the status of SMART program projects at the school, <u>Saturday, March 2nd</u> at 9:00 a.m. - PTA decorating day as they continue make a difference!, <u>Wednesday, March 6th</u> - Young Author's Showcase at 6:30 p.m., <u>Monday, March 11th</u> at 6:00 p.m. - SAF/PTA General Meeting, <u>Tuesday, March 12th</u> through Friday, <u>March 15th</u> - PTA's Scholastic "Dinomite" Spring Book Fair...Stomp, Chomp and Read! (Family Night on <u>Wednesday, March 13th</u>), <u>Tuesday, March 19th</u> at 6:00 p.m. - Zone Parent Event to Learn about Test-Taking Strategies, <u>Wednesday and Thursday, March 20th</u> and 21st at 9:00 a.m. - First Grade's Show

#### Calendar of Events:

Feb. 28 2:20 pm SAC Meeting Mar. 1 Birthday Table

### **Upcoming Events:**

Mar. 6 6:30 pm Young Author's Night Mar. 11 6 pm SAF/PTA General Meeting

Mar. 19 6 pm Zone Parent Night

## Character Education – Honesty

- Keep your promises. Your parents will trust you more because you tell the truth.
- Be careful not to leave out details or twist the truth.
- Be careful of when and how you use sarcasm, exaggeration or irony.
- ◆ Don't get involved with telling little white lies and don't get caught in cover-ups.

#### News from our Coconut Creek Police

Please use the designated drop off area on the west side of the school in the mornings beginning at 7:15 a.m. Always cross at crosswalks, obey all traffic signs, traffic lights and crossing guard instructions. It is extremely dangerous to cross between traffic.

We thank you for exercising courtesy in our car loop. As always, we appreciate you pulling up in the loop. Never drop off students on the side of the road or have them cross between traffic. Double parking is not permitted. Let's follow the rules and keep our students safe at all times.

North Regional/Broward County Library **FREE** Reading & Math Test Preparation Gr. 3 – 5 Have your child get ready for the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). Workshops take place at the North Regional Branch/BC Library, 1100 Coconut Creek Boulevard. Registration begins on March 2. Reaister online at Evenbrite.com. For more information contact Youth Services Desk at 954-201-2626.

#### Saturday, March 16

Grade 3 Reading & Math • 10:30 am – 12 pm Grade 4 Reading & Math • 12:30 pm – 2 pm Grade 5 Reading & Math • 2:30 pm – 4 pm

### Reading Across Broward (RAB)

How is your Reading Across Broward Log? Is it almost filled up with titles of books you have Please be sure you have read the required 5 award books (#1-5) and have your parent and teacher signature on the form. If you have lost your RAB log, please download one from our website. You may select RAB Level I for students in grades K-2 or Level II for arades 2-5:

Level 1 Easy books (Gr. K - 2 and some Gr. 3): Participation (25-49 including 5 award books) Silver Award (50-74 including 5 award books) Gold Award (75-99 including 5 award books) Superintendent's Honor Roll Award (100 or more including 5 award books)

Level 2 Chapter books (Gr. 3 - 5): Participation (10-24 including 5 award books) Silver Award (25-34 including 5 award books) Gold Award (35-49 including 5 award books) Superintendent's Honor Roll Award (50 or more including 5 award books)

Your classroom teacher will collect the RAB logs when you return from spring break on Monday, April 1, in order to be eligible for end of year awards.

# **Independent Reader Activities**

- Encourage children to develop an interest in a variety of genres, such as biography, historical fiction, and poetry.
- Challenge them to compare and contrast books.
- Encourage children to read books related beginning career and vocational choices.
- > Seek a balance between school book activities; home and school literature activities; and familiarity with newspapers, magazines, and other text media that address contemporary social, cultural, and civic issues.
- In other words, encourage your child to read everything he/she can!

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