

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:

Welcome to PTA's Spring Jungle Book Fair Week! This year's theme is "Elephants, Tigers and Books, Oh My!" Students will have the opportunity to visit the library from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8:00 a.m. to noon on Friday. For the convenience of our working families, the library will be open until 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday night and there are a variety of new titles across all genres. Book prices vary (beginning at \$2.00). If you have a question regarding a "good fit" book, appropriate lexile level or Sunshine State Readers, please contact your child(ren)'s teacher(s), Mrs. Dorman (Reading Coach) and/or Ms. Navarro (Media Specialist). Thank you to our wonderful PTA Board as they have been unpacking and setting since Friday afternoon. During PTA's Tijuana Flats Family Night, our school raised \$454.00. Thank you to all of our community and staff who participated as these funds directly impact all of our students and supports our programs.

Other upcoming dates include: March 12th - School Advisory Committee, March 17th - Employee Planning Day, March 19th - Early Release Day and March 20th - Employee Planning Day, March 23-27 - Spring Break. Save The Dates: March 31st - Coffee and Comprehension, April 1st - Reading Across Broward Logs due, April 16th - Kindergarten Roundup and April 23rd - Take Our Daughters/Sons to Work Day. April is Autism Awareness Month and our team is preparing a month long of activities and learning. Our Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) season will officially begin on Wednesday, April 1st. Please add these important dates to your calendar (please check page 2 of this Eagle), as they are updated from earlier in the school year. All testing this year will be paper based.

Last call! We are asking for all parents to complete (as an update) and return the media release and consent for family life curriculum forms to your child(ren)'s teacher(s). These were due last week and are available in Portuguese, Spanish and Haitian Creole versions if needed. Unreturned forms are being considered as consent to be photographed and to participate in the health curriculum. In addition to updating these forms, all students received a Parent Guide and information regarding the Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCov). Please review. Thank you to the parents who attended our Coffee and Comprehension parent learning this week. The next learning opportunity will be with Dr. Kendrick (School Guidance Counselor) to review the District's Family Life/Human Sexuality Curriculum. We will also have both Portuguese and Spanish interpreters at the meeting.



In an effort to improve System Practices, the Broward County School District is conducting a Stakeholder Survey for all parents, students, and staff. Your responses will be anonymous. Please take the BCPS parent survey by going to the link https://eprovesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/#/action/130076/p568 or use

the QR code. On your Smartphone, go to the camera and hover over the QR code. A pop up notification should come up and ask you to go to the link. We appreciate your feedback!

Calendar of Events:

Mar. 9 – 12 Spring Book Fair Mar. 11 6:30 pm PTA's Spring Night

Mar. 12 2:20 pm SAC

Upcoming Events:

Mar. 17 No School

Mar. 19 12 pm Early Release

Mar. 20 No School

Mar. 23 – 27 Spring Break – No School

Mar. 30 Start 4th Quarter

Apr. 1 RAB Due

Test Taking Tips for Parents

- ✓ Make sure your child attends school regularly. Tests reflect the overall achievement of your child. The more often the child is in a learning situation, the more likely he will do well on test.
- ✓ See that your child has a well-rounded diet and gets a good night's sleep. A healthy body leads to a healthy and active mind.
- ✓ See that your child completes homework assignments. Homework supports classroom instruction and can help your child increase comprehension of the classroom work.
- ✓ Give your child encouragement. Praise him for the things done well. A child who is afraid of failing is more likely to make a mistake.
- ✓ Meet with your child's teacher to discuss your child's progress. Parents and teachers should work together to benefit the child.
- ✓ Ask the teacher to suggest activities for you to do at home with your child, as these can help improve his/her understanding of schoolwork.

Coronavirus Information Update

Broward County Public Schools is monitoring the Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) and providing current information from the Florida Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC). Education is the key. We urge parents and students to get informed about the virus, how it spreads, how to identify symptoms and recommended actions so we can all do our part to prevent the virus from spreading. Recommendations for prevention are the same as for the flu:

- Wash your hands frequently
- Cover your mouth and nose while coughing or sneezing
- Stay home (or keep your child home) when sick until fever free for 24-hours without medication

Additional information, resources and updates are available on the District's website at browardschools.com/coronavirus

★ Character Education – Self Control

Self control: having discipline over one's behavior or actions. You can control what you say and your behavior by giving yourself directions called 'self-talk.' Sometimes you need to talk to yourself so you will use self control, especially when you want to:

- follow the rules
- walk the halls Tradewinds' style.
- use proper table manners, a quiet voice and raise your hand to make a request.

Florida Standards Assessment (FSA)

Our FSA season will begin immediately after the spring recess. Please note the testing dates and plan accordingly, as punctuality and attendance are essential for all students. We strive for 100% attendance on all testing days in order for students to test with their teacher, classmates and in a familiar testing environment. All testing this year will be paper-based.

Dates are: April 1 and 2 - Grade 3 Reading

April 2 - Grades 4 and 5 English and Language Arts Writing Component

May 5 and 6 - Grades 4 and 5 Reading

May 7 and May 8 - Grades 1 and 2 Primary Reading Assessment

May 12 and 13 - Grades 3, 4 and 5 Mathematics

May 19 and 20 - Grade 5 Science

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