



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:

The School Board of Broward County's Special Investigative Unit and The Coconut Creek Police Department joined me in conducting a lockdown drill this past Thursday. Different from our scheduled drills, this was unannounced, during a time when 14 classes were in the cafeteria, during transition and with visitors, itinerants and district workers on campus. Of course this new education is uncomfortable, however, I am so proud our students, visitors and staff for their quick and safe action. Our feedback was outstanding and Tradewinds acted in exemplary fashion. Please take a moment and ask your child about this lockdown. If needed, please contact me if your child is experiencing discomfort. Whenever we have a drill, all families will receive the notification just prior to and immediately after as well as via Remind. It's essential to have all updated contact information.

Congratulations to our Grade 4 and 5 Math Teams who competed in both individual and group competition at the annual Broward County Council for Teachers of Mathematics. Alexander Nguyen, Ysabella Posades, Haleigh Potter, Noah Tarry and Mason Udell (Grade 4) and Diego Flores, Lee Matthews and Camilo Tovar (Grade 5) collectively earned 100 points and were recognized at the event. Way to go!

Our PTA did it again! Our students, families and staff thoroughly enjoyed this year's Spring Book Fair. Students were "buzzing" all week about their favorite series of books, authors and new titles from various genres. All students should have at least one book in their backpack to read when time permits throughout each day and especially in the morning before the bell sounds. Please let your child(ren)'s teacher(s) or Ms. Navarro know if you are to need assistance obtaining a book or if you have questions about a "good fit book."

Please join us at our upcoming Zone Family Night on Tuesday, **March 19th** (6:00 - 7:00 p.m.) at Tradewinds Elementary. Principals, Curriculum Coaches and Guidance Counselors from our zone of schools (Tradewinds, Quiet Waters, Winston Park, Lyons Creek and Monarch High School) will all be on hand to discuss test-taking strategies, promotion criteria and share essential information as the "testing season" begins. Enjoy coffee, refreshments, conversation and networking as we strive for learning gains for all students.

The end of this week marks the end of the third quarter. Please remember that Thursday is an Early Release from school (noon) and Friday is an Employee Planning Day. Immediately after the spring recess, the Florida Standards Assessments and testing season will begin. Please note the testing dates (listed on the back) 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. When reviewing the calendar, please also note that some sessions are on Mondays and others on Fridays.

Your feedback counts as we always look to improve in all practices. Please take a moment to join our students and staff by completing the parent survey (website can be found on Page 2). Typically, we have a low percentage of parents and families who complete the survey. If computer access is needed, please visit our single-point of entry and we will accommodate you. Please help us spread the word and save the date: Kindergarten Round-Up is scheduled for Friday, **April 12th** at 9:00 a.m. and we anticipate meeting all of our new TWE "eagles."

Calendar of Events:

Mar. 19 6 pm Monarch Zone Event
Mar. 21 Multiplication Olympics Gr. 3
12 pm Early Release Day
Mar. 22 No School

Upcoming Events:

Mar. 25 – 29 Spring Break – No School
April Autism Awareness Month
Apr. 1 Start the 4th Quarter (45 days)
Reading Across Broward Due
Apr. 2 ELA Writing Grades 4 & 5
Apr. 2 & 3 Reading Grade 3
Apr. 6 Earth Day @ Monarch Hill
Apr. 11 2:20 pm SAC
Apr. 12 Kindergarten Roundup

Car Loop Reminders

- ✓ Supervision begins at 7:15 a.m.
- ✓ Have students ready to exit your car in the morning using the passenger side door.
- ✓ Drive forward to maximize the drop off area.
- ✓ To make this area as safe as possible, do not use cell phones in the loop.

PTA Clothing Exchange Bank

If you are spring-cleaning and have school clothing or uniforms (yellow/gold, hunter green, white, and khaki) your children have outgrown, please donate them to our PTA Exchange Bank. If you would like to receive clothing in school colors, please call the office with the request and specify the size needed. Our PTA will gladly assist.

Kindergarten Round up for 2019 - 2020 Friday, April 12, 9 – 10:30 a.m.

Do you know anyone who will have a kindergarten student at Tradewinds next year? Please let them know that our Kindergarten Round Up will take place Friday, **April 12**. Receive all the registration requirements and meet staff members. New registering students must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2019. Please share this date with any of your neighbors.

Character Education • Self Control

You are displaying self control when you:

- wait patiently at the bus stop or car rider area staying in line and listening for your name.
- say no to friends that invite you to play while you are doing your homework or finishing a chore.
- think before you speak
- discuss rather than argue.
- learn to be objective about criticism.
- stay calm under upsetting or stressful times.

Parent Survey

Please visit our website and find the link under "Parents" or go to:

<https://eprovesurveys.advanced.org/surveys/#/action/100874/p568>

Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated.

Mark Your Calendar for Saturday, April 6 - Fun-Filled "Earth Day" Celebration

The 10th Annual Earth Day Celebration is a free community event for 3rd, 4th and 4th grade students and their families hosted at the Monarch Hill Renewable Energy Park on Saturday, **April 6**, from noon to 3 p.m. Tour the Central Landfill and see how they are creating "green" energy! Free food and drinks, bounce houses, rides and inflatable slides, recycled art activities with Young at Art, photos with the Waste Management Compressed Natural Gas fueled truck, and photos with former Miami Dolphins players. Please pre-register at www.MonarchHillEarthDay.com. Space will be limited to the first 1,000 participants – so **register** early! The school with the highest attendance earns \$3000. Public parking is **ONLY** available at Tradewinds Park South Entrance, 3600 W. Sample Road. Free shuttles will run to the Earth Day event. There is no parking onsite. All activities are **free** but please pre-register.



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