

THE TRADEWINDS EAGLE

of the sk is the limit

(754) 322-8700 Fax (754) 322-8740 Mr. Michael A. Breslaw, *Principal*Dr. Ingrid Osgood, Assistant Principal
Mr. Peter Policastro, Assistant *Principal*

September 9, 2019

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

From the Principal's Desk:

Welcome back from a 3-day week, to a full week that promises to be quite productive. Differentiated intervention groups will begin this week in all classrooms. Believe it or not, Friday marks the mid-point to the first quarter of the school year and Interim Reports will be issued to your child for a multitude of reasons. Please review, sign and return these progress reports to your child(ren)'s teacher(s). Our teachers, leadership staff and administration are available to discuss your child(ren)'s academic and behavioral progress. We strongly believe that communication is integral to a child's success. At any time, please notify the teacher(s), curriculum team, guidance counselor or administration regarding a conference.

Our staff encourages your attendance tomorrow (Pre-Kindergarten, First and Second Grade, and Special Programs) or on <u>Wednesday, September 11th</u> (Third, Fourth and Fifth Grade) at our Open House event. The evening will begin at 6:30 and conclude by 7:30. Although this information and learning opportunity is for parent(s)/guardian(s), we understand that many may need to bring along their child(ren). If so, your child(ren) will need to remain with and be supervised by you as childcare will not be offered. At 6:35 prompt, please join me for a principal's welcome and shortly after, each teacher will present the grade level standards and procedures followed by a question and answer session. Upon entry to our school, please provide the Open House passes distributed with your RSVP.

Our first School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting will take place this Thursday, September 12th. We are looking for parents and community members to be on the SAC composition makeup. SAC includes representatives of the

school's staff, parents and community members. This group works collaboratively to develop plans for continual school improvement and all meetings are open to the public. Please contact our current SAC Chairperson Mrs. Dorman at (754) 322-8700 if you are interested in being a voting member.

Parents and community members gather throughout the year for a cup of coffee and a conversation about how they can help their children learn. Staff lead the discussions and model the strategies they use with students. At Coffee/Café and Comprehension Spanish and Portuguese speaking parents have the chance to participate in their native language. Our first of the year Coffee and Comprehension will be on Tuesday, September 24, at 8:30 a.m. hosted by our Guidance Counselor, Dr. Latasha Kendrick, and the topic is Guidance Resources and Services. All are welcome.

Next Monday's Eagle will include Save The Dates for all FSA Testing.

Calendar of Events:

Sept. 10 6:30 Open House Gr. Pre-K – 2 Sept. 11 6:30 pm Open House Gr. 3 to 5

Upcoming Events:

Sept. 12 2:20 pm SAC Meeting

Sept. 13 Issue Interim Reports

Sept. 16 6 pm SAF & PTA

Sept. 24 8:30 am Coffee & Comprehension

Sept. 30 No School

Setting Up Routines

When you establish daily routines it helps students do well in school. Consider these to make your child feel more:

Relaxed. Music can help your child avoid the morning rush. Play a soothing tape and ask him to be dressed and ready by the time it's over. Tip: On Sundays, have him put each day's outfit for the coming week on hangers labeled Monday through Friday.

Energized. A good breakfast increases concentration. Offer healthy choices. Examples: a whole-wheat bagel with peanut butter, orange juice blended with fruit and yogurt, instant oatmeal.

Connected. Talking about the school day lets your child know you care. Ask him to share two good things that happened during the day. Prompt him with specific questions, such as "how do you think you did on your test today?"

Prepared. Studying a little every day is the best way to learn new material. Help your youngster choose a time for homework when she is most alert—and try not to change it.

Rested. A set bedtime helps kids fall asleep more quickly. Suggest that your child get in bed 15 minutes early to read, make up stories, or talk quietly to you.

PTA's End of Summer Ice Cream Treat

Our PTA is hosting a fundraiser at Belove Creamery, 6111 Lyons Road, Unit 102, on Thursday, <u>September 12</u>, from 2 – 8 p.m. Belove will donate 20% of all sales to Tradewinds Elementary PTA. Please present the flyer that was sent home or mention Tradewinds Elementary at the register.

Choose Peace/Stop Violence Week

Choose Peace will be <u>September 20 – 27</u>. This observance kicks off each school year with a focus on creating safe and violence free environments where peace and inclusiveness are celebrated. This year's Choose Peace Week activities can be found at https://www.browardschools.com/Page/33779

Maximize Your Parent-Teacher Conference **Prepare questions.** Conferences are short, so write down all the questions that you want to ask the teacher.

Don't just discuss grades. Inquire about your child's work ethic, relationships with other children, behavior in class and attitude towards learning.

Alert the teacher to what's happening at home. Providing a heads-up about a situation will let the teacher understand why there's been a change in attitude or performance. (For example, it may be helpful for the teacher to know if there is stress at home from schedule changes, a new baby, loss of a job, etc.)

Be prompt. Don't lose a moment of your opportunity to discuss your child.

Maintain a positive and upbeat attitude. By acting cooperatively if something negative comes up, you and the teacher can resolve the situation.

Interim Progress Reports

Interim progress reports are used to keep parents informed of academic and behavioral progress as well as to report any failing grades, unacceptable behavior and/ or study habits, or excessive amount of absences and/or tardies. If you receive one next week, please sign and return it promptly to the teacher. You are encouraged to follow through with a conference. Please use the student planner to schedule one.

The School Board of Broward County, Florida • Robert W. Runcie, Superintendent of Schools • Heather P. Brinkworth, Chair • Donna P. Korn, Vice Chair Lori Alhadeff • Robin Bartleman • Patricia Good • Laurie Rich Levinson • Ann Murray • Dr. Rosalind Osgood • Nora Rupert

The School Board of Broward County, Florida, prohibits any policy or procedure which results in discrimination on the basis of age, color, disability, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation. The School Board also provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Individuals who wish to file a discrimination and/or harassment complaint may call the Director, Equal Educational Opportunities/ADA Compliance Department & District's Equity Coordinator/Title IX Coordinator at 754-321-2150 or Teletype Machine (TTY) 754-321-2158. Individuals with disabilities requesting accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008, (ADAAA) may call Equal Educational Opportunities/ADA Compliance Department at 754-321-2150 or Teletype Machine (TTY) 754-321-2158.