## The Liberty Elementary STEM Magnet School Newsletter October 2015

**Mission**: To prepare our students to become critical thinking problem-solvers who will compete in a global society by facilitating an engaging & challenging learning environment in which they work cooperatively to gain real-world experiences through a rigorous curriculum including the application of science, technology, engineering & mathematics.

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Liberty Elementary is Proud to Be a Title I School

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### **Important Dates:**

#### October:

9 September STARS award popcorn & movie

12-16 **Attendance** Week for School Funding

School Advisory Council Meeting @ 5pmMcDonalds Night @ 5-7pm

19 Student Picture Day

20 Grade K-2 STEM Museum Night @ 6pm

21 **Grade 3-5 STEM Museum Night @ 6pm** Harvest Festival ticket pre-sale ends

22 Early Release Day/Dismissal @ 12pm

23 No School/Teacher Planning Day
PTA Harvest Festival @ 5-8pm

### November:

11 No School/Veterans' Day

18 CiCi's Pizza Night @ 5-7pm

25-27 No School/Thanksgiving Break

Mark Your Calendar!



Early Release Day
October 22nd

&

No School October 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Teacher Planning Day** 

## Message from Administration:

Happy October! Our classes and teachers continue to establish routines and procedures with a focus on high quality instruction. Our teachers continue to use planning time for professional development with new Florida Standard, learning goals & scales, accountable talk and STEM teaching.

Great news! Our \$250,000+ in SMART Bond technology arrives next week and we're so excited to add new desktop and laptop computers in EVERY classroom. All teachers will receive a new laptop/tablet.

Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) results from 2014-2015 are being released in raw form and parent letters from FLDOE, including achievement levels, should be sent out later this year.

Our School Advisory Council (SAC) meets on October 14th at 5pm. Current SAC members and parents interested in deciding how to spend \$100,000 in SMART funding are encouraged to attend.

Our 1st PTA General meeting was very successful as a new Executive Board was elected. The PTA Harvest Festival is October 23rd at 5-8pm. You won't want to miss this evening of music, games, food & fun! Ticket sales are pre-sale only prior to October 21st.

All parents interested in supporting PTA are encouraged to volunteer and become PTA members. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming Harvest Festival and around the school for parent conferences, field trips and volunteering. Be sure to visit our website: liberty.browardschools.com and follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/libertyelschool for announcements & photos. -David J. Levine

## Visit the Liberty website: Liberty.browardschools.com



### Halloween Safety Tips from School Resource Officer Lombardo:

Make sure your child carries a flashlight, glow stick or has reflective tape on their costume to make them more visible to cars. Let them know that they should stay together as a group if going out to Trick or Treat without an adult. Small children should never be allowed to go out alone on Halloween. Make sure an older sibling or adult is with them. Plan a safe route so parents know where their older kids will be at all times. Set a time for their return home. Make sure that children are old enough and responsible enough to go out by themselves. Explain to children the difference between tricks and vandalism. Throwing eggs at a house may seem like fun but they need to know the other side of the coin as well, clean up and damages can ruin Halloween. If they are caught vandalizing, make them clean up the mess they've made. The best bet is to make sure that an adult is going with them. If you can't take them, see if another parent or a teen-aged sibling can go along.

Instruct your children not to eat any treats until they bring them home to be examined by you. Help your child pick out or make a costume that will be safe. Make it fire proof; the eyeholes should be large enough for good peripheral vision. Teaching your kids basic everyday safety such as not getting into cars or talking to strangers, watching both ways before crossing streets and crossing when the lights tell you to, will help make them safer when they are out Trick or Treating. Make Halloween a fun, safe and happy time for your kids and they'll carry on the tradition that you taught them to their own families some day!



October 19<sup>th</sup> is

Student Picture Day

Order forms in the Office

### **Partners in Education**

October 14th @ 5-7pm

## **McDonalds Night**

Questions? Call Mrs. Robuste @ 754-322-6777



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### Want to Volunteer?

All volunteers must register online at:

## www.getinvolvedineducation.com

Be a Liberty Volunteer!



### Were you a September **STARS** winner?

- S Show Kindness
- T Take Responsibility
- A Act Safely
- R Respect Everyone
- S Strive for Excellence

## 1st Quarter STEM Museum Exhibition Nights:

Grade K-2 on October 20<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm & Grade 3-5 on October 21<sup>st</sup> @ 6pm

## School Advisory Council (SAC) Community Members & Parents: Help us spend \$100,000!



Our next SAC Meeting will be October 14th @ 5:00pm Media Center

> Questions?/RSVP: Call Ms. Robuste 754-322-6750

### Welcome to the new Liberty Elementary Staff Members:

Mrs. Davis STEM Science Coach

Mrs. Kuczynski Grade 1 Teacher
Mrs. Maiorino Grade 3 Teacher
Mrs. Weaver Cafeteria Assistant

Mrs. Nouel ESE Pre-School Teacher

Mrs. Webster ESE Pre-School Teacher Assistant

Mrs. Amezquita Facilities Serviceperson

Great additions to Team Liberty!

# Liberty PTA Harvest Festival

Carnival Games, Food, Fun & Dancing

Friday, October 23rd @ 5-8pm

(Teacher Planning Day)

Tickets by Pre-Sale only. Event will sell out.

Order your tickets early!

Pre-Sale ends October 21st!



#### Estimados Padres:

Si usted prefiere la información de esta carta informativa en Español, por favor llame a la escuela al número (754) 322-6750 y pregunte por el Sr. Kuilan, julian.kuilan@browardschools.com

Chè Paran: Si ou ta renmen genyen enfòmasyon ki nan jounal sa a tradui an Kreyòl oubyen an Panyòl, tanpri rele lekòl la nan (754) 322-6750 kote wa mande pale ak Ms. Sicard oubyen Mr. Kuilan. Ou gen dwa cominike avè yo tou sou adrès elektronik yo (e-mail) nan: <a href="mailto:deborah.sicard@browardschools.com">deborah.sicard@browardschools.com</a>

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## Congratulations Kids Of Character September 2015

### **Character Trait: Kindness**

### Kindergarten:

HobbsKyla ReddickHorodeckiBianca DareusPhilhowerJayda BustamanteTanenbaumMadison SotoKostickGenesys PerezManuskyAlonso Mendez

Viscomi Nehemiah Elliot Shapanka Alina Lee

Pion Abby Torres

### 1st grade:

Zinderman Manuel Montejo-Perez

V Williams Christopher Elliot

Grant- Paige Elliott

Nunez Rashel Reyes

Sunshine Kaminie Khailoo

M Williams Tam Tran

Yaros Daneille Foster

Melendez Elias Hernandez

Fernandez Joshua Lara

### 2nd grade:

McMahon- Fernanda Ferreira Lawson- Karson Choat
Stubbs- Makonnen Curry Ibrahim- Samantha Tobar
Miller- Kate Williams McBride- Stephanie Mejia
Figueroa- Omari Wade Faust- Jimena Zambrano
Lowe- Mindy King Eustache- Izabella Colon

### 3rd grade:

Huff- Brianna Garcia Garcia- Devon Dareus
LaRosa- Karen Romeus Russo- Kiara Chotailal
Davidson- Daniella Lobban Gamarra- Nolen Anderson
Isaacs- Reshma Gangaram Bishop- Philip Tran

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Moore-Jaiden Dorno

### 4th grade:

Stern- Rafael Bello Weber- Jayden Dubanewiez

JeanBaptise- Alicia Solon Harvey- Emersyn Clark

Valentino- Gaudel St. Hilaire Corridori- Taisen Fleary

D'Elia- Karen Valdovinos McKinney - Kevin Blandon

### 5th grade:

Carrow: Frueud Pierre Creelman: Ruth Medelus
DeHart: Ariana Alejandro Gaspard: Carina Burress
James: Alissa Abrahim Roberson: Angela Carracino

Sauer: Daphney Cherelus

Regular student attendance is important for student learning and progress throughout the school year. The state's financial support for schools is also directly linked to student attendance. Absenteeism hurts our students and hurts our schools. When students are absent they miss out on learning opportunities, can fall behind academically and our schools lose funding. To ensure our attendance records are counted for maximum state funding this school year, please ensure your child attends school each day October 12-16, 2015.