

MEADOWBROOK ELEMENTARY



David J. Levine, Principal Raylene Z. Thomas, Intern Principal
January 2022

Principal's Message

Happy New Year! Hello students and Meadowbrook families! The January 11th planning day marks the halfway point for the school year. We're making significant academic progress and doing great things to minimize the impact of the pandemic so learning can continue in a safe manner.

We look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming SAC meeting on January 20th at 6PM to discuss changes to our after-school care program for 2022-2023. The meeting is virtual and a link to attend will be on the website. There is no school on January 17th for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Please support the PTA by becoming a member and supporting upcoming PTA events and activities. Be sure to visit our website: **meadowbrook.browardschools.com** and follow us on Twitter at [@MeadowbrookElem](https://twitter.com/MeadowbrookElem) for announcements and photos.

-David J. Levine, Principal

Intern Principal's Message



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Happy New Year Meadowbrook Eagles! I hope that you enjoyed your Winter Break and had an opportunity to celebrate safely with your family and friends. January is always about fresh beginnings and positive change. I love the promise of the New Year and all the possibilities that exist for our students here at Meadowbrook Elementary and their future. The month of December was an exciting month for us here at Meadowbrook. During the month of December, our students participated in our "Holiday Spirit" week. I would like to extend a huge thank you to our parents and students that supported our PTA Candy Gram and Donut activities; we could not have done it without you. Please stay tuned to our Meadowbrook Elementary School website, Twitter page for important and exciting school information.

Educationally Yours

Raylene Z. Thomas, Intern Principal



Title 1 News



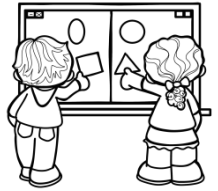
The School-Level Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP), School Parent Compact and School Improvement Plan with Title I addendum can be viewed at our Meadowbrook website and a hard copy at our office. Our Multicultural Title I Family event will be scheduled for February. Dates and times for the event should be forthcoming. Additionally, the Title I Annual Parent survey will be available through a link and also a hard copy sent to parents via student backpack to be filled out and returned to your child's teacher. Happy to keep you informed of all up and coming Title I information.

ESOL News

ESOL/Level 1 students are scheduled for their 2nd Diagnostic on Imagine Learning. This diagnostic will measure their growth from the beginning of the year. Please continue to encourage your child to do Imagine (blue robot), both at school and at home. ACCESS testing for all ESOL students will begin January 24th. This assessment will help guide our ESOL students' instruction for the future. As always parents, thank you for your partnership in making your child's education a success.



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School Advisory Council

The School Advisory Council is a group composed of the administrators, teachers, parents, community members, business partners, and other staff members. The committee reviews overall school operations and monitors student achievement. Each year the SAC team generates several school-wide objectives for the following year. These objectives are the cornerstone of our school improvement plan. The school improvement plan outlines our objectives along with the actions being implemented throughout the school aimed at assisting us in attaining our goals. The SAC committee meets monthly in the media center. These meetings are open to the public and we welcome and invite all to participate.

If you are interested in participating in our SAC meetings, please contact Jennifer Liberatore, SAC Chair at jennifer.liberatore@browardschools.com Please join us for our next SAC Meeting on **Thursday, January 27, 2021** at 2:20 PM.



Attendance

Attendance Matters! Please contact the school each time your child is absent and provide the school with the reason for the absence. The Meadowbrook Elementary Attendance Hotline number is (754) 323-6502. This line is open 24 hours/ 7 days a week for your convenience. Phone excuses and excuse notes must be received within 48 hours of the absence. Please contact Ms. Julienne, Attendance Manager at (754) 323-6500 should you have any questions regarding attendance. Remember: Attendance Counts! All Day, Every Day!

Uniform Policy

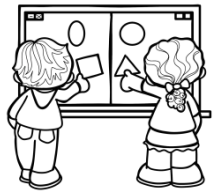
Our Unified Dress Code Policy consists of the following:

- Docker style pants/shorts/skorts/jumpers must be navy blue or khaki.
- Collared, polo-style shirts must be light blue, royal blue, navy blue, yellow, or white.
- Jeans/denim material is **PROHIBITED** except for School Spirit Fridays when worn with a School Spirit shirt.
- Baggy pants, saggy pants, and cargo pants are **PROHIBITED**.
- Caps are allowed for P.E., weather conditions, religious reasons, and medical reasons only.

In the event your child comes to school wearing inappropriate attire, you may be contacted and asked to bring appropriate clothing to school.



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Volunteers

Volunteers are welcome at Meadowbrook Elementary School. As always, student and staff safety are of utmost importance. Therefore, in accordance with SB1774/HB, Florida Statute 943.043 all individuals wishing to assist with students in any capacity at school, including class parties or on field trips must complete a volunteer on-line application at: <https://www.browardschools.com/page/32043>. The approval process takes approximately two weeks. A specific volunteer badge will be made for each individual that has been approved.

We would like to receive the "Golden School Award." This award is given to schools with a large number of assistance hours generated by their volunteers. Please help us by being a volunteer and getting involved in our school. It is the children who benefit the most!

Lost Property



Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly marked with your child's name and encourage your child to take responsibility for his/ her own belongings. We have a **lost and found located in the cafeteria** where children may search through the lost items. Please have your child check lost and found, items are donated to charity every quarter, please ask at the front office. Parents, please remind your child not to take items that do not belong to them, if by chance an item does come home that does not belong to your child, please return it to the school.

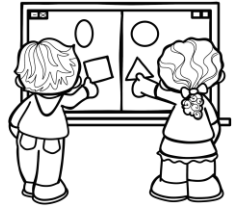
ELA & Math Updates

January is here! Here at Meadowbrook, we have been quite the busy bees. We started our morning and afternoon enrichment camps and they are running great. Our i-Ready Morning Camp is almost at full capacity. Our students love the small group i-Ready time where they work on their specialized pathway working on skills they need in reading and math. Our afternoon camp runs every Tuesday and Thursday and is at full capacity. Our students are enjoying the hands-on reading and math activities that our teachers are implementing. They truly are having a wonderful time. If you are interested in participating in any of our camps, we do have a waiting list and will be happy to put your name on it for any future openings. Be on the look out for information regarding our upcoming Saturday camps.

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Counseling Corner



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Ms. Sarah Sternglanz, School Counselor

Attention 5th grade families: Our 5th grade students were treated to a presentation by Magnet Middle Schools this past December. Please note that the deadline to apply for a Magnet program is February 1st, 2022. Families can find the application for School Choice and Magnet Schools at <https://www.browardschools.com/schoolchoice.com>. Please feel free to contact me at (754)323-6512 if you have questions. I am here to help!

Family counseling is a great way for families to work through challenges and create a happier home. Family counseling is available for free for all families of Broward County Public School students. Call (975)321-1590 to set of an appointment. Spanish language is available.

Students and families can access mindfulness practices and enjoy peaceful moments with mindfulness using the Inner Explorer application, located in Clever. See the difference that one minute of purposeful silence and mindfulness can make!

Arrival / Dismissal

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Transportation Changes

Please note, that due to security reasons, changes to your child's transportation status cannot be delivered via telephone. This is for the safety of your child, as we cannot safely identify callers via the telephone. Please help us by sending **any changes** with your child **in writing** to be delivered to the teacher the day before. Thank you for helping us to get our students home safely.



Arrival

For the safety of our students, they should not arrive to school prior to 7:15 AM, as there is **NO** supervision available. Breakfast is served each morning beginning at 7:15 AM until 7:50 AM. Students must arrive to the cafeteria on time in order to have breakfast. The first bell rings at 7:50 AM. It is vital that all students arrive to school on time.

Car Line



Drop off

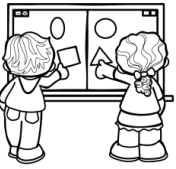
- For safety reasons cell phone use is prohibited.
- Only the east parking area is to be used for drop off and pick up
- Please pull all the way forward, in order to keep the line moving.
- Remain inside your car.
- Once all cars have stopped, please allow your child to exit the vehicle.
- Students should exit from the passenger side of the vehicle.

Pick up

- Please have your car tag displayed EVERYDAY for faster service.
- Pull all the way forward before allowing your student in the car.
- Remain inside your car.
- Car line closes at 2:25 PM, after which you will need to go inside to pick up your student, **identification is required.**



Classroom News



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Pre-School

The preschool classes are learning all about the winter season. We are discussing the types of clothing that are appropriate for cold weather and made delicious hot chocolate. We are also learning about animals that live in very cold weather such as polar bears and penguins. Parents, please remember to read to your child every night.

Second Grade

Hello 2nd Grade Parents,

The second graders have been busy this month. We have been practicing our sight words, reading at home, and learning how to add and subtract double-digit numbers. We are regrouping while adding and subtracting ($75 + 37$, $93 - 29$, $95 + 39 + 25 + 99$). Please have your child use Reflex Math or flash cards at home to reinforce basic addition and subtraction facts.

The second graders will be taking the Primary Mid-Year Test on February 8 and 9. Teachers will be sending home information regarding the test.

Kindergarten

In kindergarten, we are working on family words, beginning, and ending sounds. We are learning to retell stories, poems, and songs by using details such as characters, setting and the events. In math, we are learning subtraction. In science we are learning the five senses and for social studies, our teacher will be teaching us more about residents' day. Can't wait to share more with you next month.

Third Grade

Watch what we do in 2022! Third graders are working toward mastery of their multiplication and division facts. Please encourage your child to work on Reflex Math if there is a computer available at home as this is an excellent program that will guide them through these standards. We will also begin Fractions and Geometry this month. During Reading, our students are comparing their point of view to that of the author, connecting historical events or scientific ideas using sequencing, and cause, and effect, and comparing and contrasting two different stories by the same author about similar characters. **THIRD GRADE ROCKS....THIRD GRADE RULES!!**

First Grade

Happy New Year to our Soaring Eagles!

This month we will be learning about how stories teach us a lesson and how we can learn from our mistakes. In Math, we are working on counting by 1's, 5's and 10's to 120. For science, students will recognize that water, rocks, soil, and living organisms are found on Earth's surface and magnifiers. For Social Studies, we will be able to identify celebrations and national holidays as a way of remembering and honoring the heroism and achievements of the people, events, and our nation's ethnic heritage. We can't wait to see all the greatness our Eagles bring to 2022!

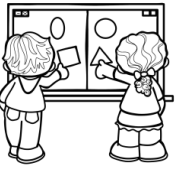
Fourth Grade

This month ELA is focusing on text structures within informational text types (Historical-Scientific-Technical). We are also focusing on how to identify the author's claim and supporting evidence within informational text. In Math, we are learning to generate equivalent fractions and how to compare fractions with different numerators and denominators. We will begin adding, subtracting, and multiplying fractions in the upcoming weeks. 4th grade will be attending our 1st off campus trip to the Museum of Discovery & Science at the end of the month. Please continue to encourage your child to work on I-Ready and Reflex Math daily at home.

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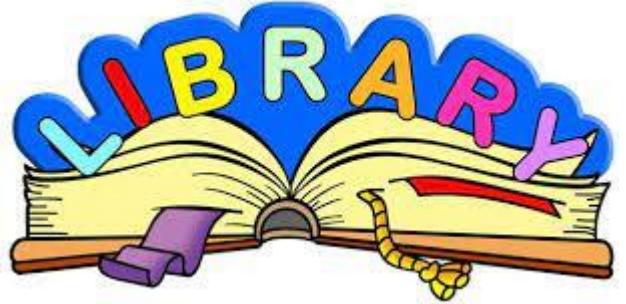
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Fifth Grade

In reading our Eagles will be learning this month how to Compare and contrast the overall structure of events, ideas, concepts or information of two or more texts. In addition, they will be writing opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information. In science, we will be learning about electric circuits and energy transfer, and In math we will be learning how to multiply fractions.

Media



ART

Happy New Year! 5th grade is continuing to work on their foam print and are currently in the process of making prints with their "blocks". 2nd and 3rd grade are both doing projects that illustrate 3-dimensional artwork! Kindergarten and 1st grade are beginning to make their own book!! Keep an eye out for these projects to come home.

Creatively, Mrs. Hines

Music



P.E.



Reflex at Home and on the Go!

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Reflex is an online, game-based program that helps students build fast and effortless recall of math facts. Research has shown that quick recall of math facts is critical for future success in mathematics. Below, please find additional information to help support and monitor your child's progress to math fact fluency with Reflex at home or on the go.

- Students are encouraged to login to **Reflex** math @ www.reflexmath.com at least *3 times a week* and strive for the “**green light**” each time.
- Your child can utilize the **Reflex** math program from any device, including smartphones, with internet access throughout the school year from home or on the go.
- **Reflex** helps students of all ability levels to develop fluency with their basic facts in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
- **Reflex** continuously monitors your child's performance to create an optimal experience for them.
- Parents can easily monitor their child's progress by creating a *Free Reflex Parent Account*. Use the instructions on the right to Create your Parent Account.

Create a Free Parent Account

To set up an account, you will need your child's Reflex login information: (teacher's Reflex Username, the name of the Reflex Class, and your child's Reflex Password).

1. Go to reflexmath.com/parent
2. Follow The onscreen instructions to create your free account.
3. Go to www.reflexmath.com/reports
4. Once you are logged, follow the instructions to add your child.
5. Once registered, launch the parent account at www.reflexmath.com/reports to log into your new account. Enter your Username (your email address) and Password and click Submit.





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