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Calendar of Events

January

1/16: School Advisory Council/School Advisory Forum Meeting, 7:30 AM
1/20: No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day
1/22-23: BSA English Language Arts Testing 3rd-5th
1/24: Class Picture Day
1/24: Movie Under the Stars, 6:30 PM
1/27-28: BSA Science Testing 5th Grade
1/29: BSA Math Testing 3rd-5th
1/29: Report Cards Go Home

Did you know that you can report an absence online through our web site? Just visit <http://browardschools.com/parkside> and click on Contact, then Report an Absence. You can also call our attendance line at 754-322-7852. Please make sure that you report every absence!



The Single Sign-On is where students access online learning programs. The students can log in using sso.browardschools.com and select "Login Using Active Directory." Then, it will take them to the Clever Home Page where they can access all of their resources.

Administrator's Corner

Happy New Year Parkside Families! We want to welcome you all back from a much needed winter break. I truly hope you and your families enjoyed the time off and had spent some quality time with your children. I am hoping the year 2020 is going to be an amazing year for each and every one of you.

We want to take a minute and thank our wonderful PTA for all of the fun activities they helped provide over the last few weeks. The students enjoyed their field days, the Polar Express with hot cocoa and a visit from the South Florida Fire Truck which brought snow and Santa. They also had a wonderful Holiday Shop where the students enjoyed doing a little Holiday shopping for their friends, family and even themselves. Our PTA is such an important part of our school and provides so many resources, activities and support to our students. We continue to be thankful to all who are part of this organization and for all you do for Parkside.

Now we are back in full force and the next few months will be focused on getting all of our students prepped and prepared for all of the assessments they will be taking from now until the end of the year. All students K-5 are in the middle of or have completed their mid-year diagnostic assessment on I-Ready. This information allows us to see how far they have progressed since the beginning of the year. All 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students will be taking a mock Florida Standard Assessment (FSA) the last few weeks of January. This assessment gives us important information on how our students are "predicted" to perform on the FSA which takes place in April and May. It also gives teachers critical information for driving their instruction to ensure our students have been taught all of the standards needed to perform their best. We will send out specific dates on our weekly parent links.

Have you had your child on I-Ready? Parents always ask us what they can do to help their children. Well there are a few things that are constant at any grade level. Reading to and with your child every night, having conversations about the book is one way. Practicing math fluency with the math facts is another important skill for parents to help their children (addition, subtraction or multiplication). Each grade level starting in Kindergarten has a certain number of facts that they should master leaving their grade level. These two things are the most important I believe, but I-Ready is a wonderful resource that we provide to all students at Parkside. This online resource is the best resource we have that is connected to our Florida Standards. This also provides your children with questions that are worded similar to those they may see on the FSA Assessment. We are fortunate to have this and we highly encourage you to have your child go on for 10-15 minutes each day in both reading and math. Your child's teacher and administration monitor students' time on the program as well as their progress. We hope you all will take a closer look at the program and use this great resource. If you have questions or are having trouble logging in, please contact your child's teacher.

In the next few weeks, you will be hearing more about our February 13th and 14th Days of Service and Love. This is an annual event within our District to commemorate the tragedy that occurred almost two years ago. We are looking to do a few service events for our school once again as well as for an outside agency. We will also be selling "Parkside Gives Back" shirts for students and parents to purchase. More information will be coming out soon so please be on the lookout.

Happy New Year again! Wishing you a wonderful new year.
Lanea Hall, Principal

Notes from the Teachers



Welcome back students and parents! We hope everyone enjoyed their holiday break with your family and loved ones! Jumping into January, we will continue working on recognizing sight words in isolation as well as in text. In reading, we will dive deeper into distinguishing common types of texts such as storybooks, poems, etc. Your child will also learn how to ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text. In math, your child will learn all about subtraction! We will work on adding and subtraction within 5 fluently so be sure to practice at home! In science, we will learn to recognize that some books and other media portray animals and plants with various characteristics and behaviors that they do not have in real life. We will also observe and compare different animals and plants. In writing, we will work on strengthening your child's writing skills by composing informative and explanatory topics.

Please remember reading bags are to be returned to school daily and homework is due every Friday!



Second Grade is currently working on learning different subtraction strategies in math. We are focusing on various text features such as subheadings, bold print, captions, and photographs found in nonfiction text. Our students will be participating in our second scientist day where each student will engage in hands on activities related to force and motion!



The Fourth Grade Team is jumping right into the New Year and keeping very busy! In Science, we are learning about rocks and minerals, which includes how weathering and erosion affect the environment and the Florida landscape in particular. In Math, we are studying equivalent fraction. Please go review fractions at home with your students. Cooking together is a great way to reinforce fraction concepts as a family! While reading this month, we are looking at ways authors can support their points with evidence and examples. Our writers are working on detailed 4 paragraph essays. This can be a challenge but fourth grade is up to the task! Thanks for your support throughout the year and to all those who assisted with our field day activities! Just a reminder: Our 4th grade Saint Augustine Field Trip Parent Meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 23rd at 6:30 PM. Hope to see you there.



It's hard to believe we are halfway through the school year! We hope everyone had a nice winter break! As we begin the third quarter, we are focusing on a few new things. To begin with, in Reading we are busy practicing reading strategies so that all the first graders continue to make progress. Our focus has been checking for understanding, retelling the story using details, using text features, cross-checking, as well as practicing sight words. These strategies are super important for comprehension and fluency! In Math, we have launched "Minute Math" to help the children become more fluent with math facts. Be on the lookout for the graded math sheets so you can help your child keep track of the facts they need to study. As we settle back in from the break, we plan to revisit Living and Non-Living Things and then launch our "plant" unit. This year we will be closely looking at bees and the important role they play in our lives. As always, please continue to read nightly, practice spelling and sight words, and have conversations with your child about what they are learning!



Happy New Year! We have a very busy month both academically and socially. We will begin working on our Culture Cube Project which will last for six weeks. In addition, you will be receiving information about a field trip to Lion Country Safari. The trip costs \$36.00 and the return time for that day is 4:30p.m. Most importantly, your child will be taking some very important tests this month. Beginning on January 22nd, your child will take the BSA. This test simulates the FSA and this year, parts of the exam can be used for promotion. It is very important that our students are in class daily and on time. After we receive the scores, we will set up conferences and notify you of your child's progress.



Now that the Fifth Grade has returned from their relaxing winter break, they are ready to get down to some serious learning. In reading we are deep into finding the main idea of informational texts, and in writing we are constructing evidence tables and writing complete essays. After finishing mixtures and solutions, our fifth grade scientists are learning about chemical and physical changes and the specific characteristics of each. Finally, in math we are heading full force into fractions. We are also beginning to prepare for our amazing JA Biztown Field Trip. The Fifth Grade is looking forward to an exciting 2020.

Greetings from the **Parkside PTA!**



This month we are excited to host our annual FREE Popcorn and Movie Under the Stars on January 24th, starting at 6:30pm on the PE Field. Bring your chairs or blankets, and enjoy the movie Book of Life. We will have a full concession stand, including pizza, candy, bottled water, and Spirit Shirts available for purchase. Volunteers are always welcome if they have a current BCPS security clearance. ***WE ARE SEEKING A TREASURER FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR. If interested please contact us at ParksidePTACS@gmail.com.*** Stay up to date with all of the PTA's events and activities by following us on Facebook and logging into Parkside Elementary PTA MemberHub.



Sincerely, Parkside PTA Board

Counselor's Corner: January's Character Trait – Respect

Dear Parents,

Take a stand on Video Games!

Don't expect your child to set his/her own limits on the amount of time he/she spends with this form of entertainment. You are responsible for your child's well being and must set appropriate limits for your child. If the rules are broken, deny your child access to the game for a day or more. Insist that homework and chores be completed before your child can play video games. Game time can even be used as an incentive for finishing these tasks properly.



- **Limit video game time.**
Allow an hour of play on school nights and two hours on weekends. Some parents allow the video games only on weekends. If your child is doing poorly in school, temporarily eliminate video game time on school nights. Some parents allow their children to earn video game time by putting in equivalent reading time.
- **Don't allow your child to postpone bedtime because he/she wants to finish a video game.**
Remember that children who stay up late are usually too tired the next day to remember what they are being taught in school. Don't allow your child to have a video game set in his/her bedroom, because this eliminates your control over time spent playing.
- **Encourage your children to settle their own disputes over using the video game.**
Try to stay out of disagreements, as long as they remain verbal. Children can't go through life having a referee to resolve their differences. If the dispute becomes too loud, remove the game until your children can work out a solution.
- **Help your child choose video games that are not excessively violent.**
Encourage your children to play games that include sports, puzzles, mazes, or adventure games. Avoid games that contain lots of murder, combat and destruction. Research suggests that video games encourage more aggressive behavior than violent TV shows because your child is an active participant in the destruction and not just an observer.

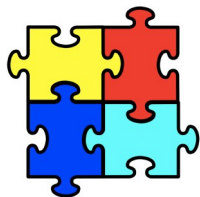
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School Improvement/ Title One Update



Our next School Advisory Council and School Advisory Forum meeting will take place on Thursday, January 16th at 7:30 AM in the media center. This is the best way to get involved and support our mission of school improvement. The councils will craft and monitor our school improvement plan. The plan was recently submitted so we will be reviewing the components and looking at our plan going forward. Your feedback is invaluable to us so please join us. You can visit http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/ospa/school_sip.asp?school_number=3631 to view our School improvement plan in full. Thank you for taking a look at our plan and joining us for SAC and SAF this year.

Autism Parent Support Group



The Autism Society of Florida sponsors an Autism parent Support Group. Everyone is welcome and no registration is required. The group meets on the first Tuesday of each month at the Mailman Segal Center, Baudhuin Preschool in Davie. You can view the attached flyer, visit <http://www.autismfl.org>, view their [Facebook page \(Autism Society of Florida\)](#), or email kelly@autismfl.org for more information.

Social Emotional Learning

Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) is a critical component of our school curriculum here at Parkside and throughout the county this year. We implement several programs and activities such as Start with Hello, Peer Mentoring, Book Buddies, and emotional management training through classroom guidance lessons. We utilize LEAPS resources, which are classroom lessons that teach skills such as time management, expected behavior, teamwork, resolving conflict, and much more. In addition, we recognize students who excel in these areas through our Student of the Month celebrations, Caught Being Kind, and many other positive recognitions throughout the year. To learn more, you can view our school's Social/Emotional Learning Plan. This is part of our School Improvement Plan and it is available at http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/ospa/school_sip.asp?school_number=3631. You can also visit the district's resource page for SEL at <https://www.browardschools.com/Page/32890>. This page includes a Parent Toolkit to assist with reinforcing social and emotional skills at home.

Thank you for all you do as families to support our students' growth into kind and productive citizens!



The Countywide Annual Parent Seminar is scheduled for January 25th. The event will be held at the Signature Grand in Davie. This is a wonderful seminar with powerful guest speakers, great resources for parents, and lots of give-a-ways! This event requires registration so sign up early. For more information, you can email lakay.wilkerson@browardschools.com. Other parent training events will take place on February 27th and May 14th. Please visit <https://www.browardschools.com/Page/37523> for more information.

Aftercare Courier, January 2020

Welcome back from a hopefully fun, relaxing and enjoyable winter break. We are so pleased to have you back fully charged and ready to conquer the next half of the school year. You can pick up your 2019 tax statement from the front desk beginning today. This month's payment is due on Monday, January 13, 2020. The on-line payments close out at midnight on the due date. You can pay online or in person at the school. I will not be able to call you to remind you that your payment has not been received, so please be on time with your payment. School Board policy 3411 states that all payments MUST be received before services are rendered.



Payments are: \$194.00 for aftercare, \$48.00 for before care and 2nd sibling fee of \$184.00. Fees must be paid by the close of the day on Monday January 13th. There are no exceptions. We have a waiting list of students who will be invited in if your spot is not secured. *Families who received a scholarship, you can no longer pay on-line. Your payment must be made in person at the school site. If your payment is late, you will forfeit your scholarship and will have to start the process all over again.

***If your child accidentally brings their name tag home, please put it in their backpack so that they will have it the next day. Students are required to wear name tags all day including aftercare. If you can help us out and make sure they return to school with their tag, it will help our afternoon run smoother.

From the Aftercare Parent Handbook this month we will highlight Late Pick Ups: A late pick-up fee will be charged if a student is not picked up before the program's closing time. This fee is \$15.00 per 15 minute increment i.e. 1-15 minutes, 16-30 minutes, 31-45 minutes, etc. The Late pick-up fee will be charged per family and not per student. The clock used for the time is the electronic sign out system (PDMS) used by the program. All outstanding late pick-up fees must be paid before the next payment period begins. Any late pick-up fees not paid by the end of the pay period may become a "student obligation". Excessive late pick-up fees may result in your child being exited from the program. Families that frequently experience difficulty picking students up on time should speak with the supervisor to discuss alternatives if necessary, the program will make every attempt to reach you at the end of the day or for an emergency. If the program is unable to reach the parent/guardian or alternative designee on the registration, the local police department will be called. Please remember that our Broward County Public School Tax ID # 59-6000530

As a reminder, we will continue to post our School wide behavior goals: Always Do Your Best, Cooperate with others, Manage Yourself, Respect the Rights and Property of Others, Resolve Conflicts (Be a Problem Solver)

Thanks for all of your support!
Mrs. Lakay Wilkerson, Supervisor BASCC

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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

ACROSS THE SPECTRUM

AUTISM PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

EVERYONE WELCOME

No Registration Required

FAMILY LIFE • RESOURCES • EDUCATION • COMMUNITY

First Tuesday of Every Month, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Mailman Segal Center, Baudhuin Preschool

East Side, Building 200

7600 Southwest 36th Street, Davie, Florida

Second Floor, Room 2218 End of Hall

PLEASE CHECK LOCATION INFO ON WEBSITE
PRIOR TO MEETING IN CASE OF LOCATION CHANGE

 **AUTISM SOCIETY**

Improving the Lives of All Affected by Autism

Florida

More Info and Map on Website: www.autismfl.org

And Facebook: Autism Society of Florida

Email: kelly@autismfl.org

OUT-OF-FIELD PARENT NOTIFICATION
for
PARKSIDE ELEMENTARY

1/10/2020

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Our professional teachers are continuously working on professional development to develop their teaching skills and to increase their levels of content expertise.

We are recognizing teachers at PARKSIDE ELEMENTARY who are expanding their expertise beyond their current certification by pursuing college coursework and/or training sessions to become certified or endorsed in another/other subject(s).

In order to remain in this/these assignment(s), the teacher(s) will successfully complete required training within 12 months of the assignment or, if teaching the primary English or Reading class to identified limited English proficient students, in accordance with the Multicultural Education Training Advocacy (META) timeline.

These teachers are:

Last Name	First Name	Current Certification	Out-of-Field For
DEDIG	KRISTEN	PREK-PRIMARY AGE 3 GR 3	ESOL CATEGORY 1
MCCLYMONT	GISELLE	PREK-PRIMARY AGE 3 GR 3	ESOL CATEGORY 1
OVESEN	JETHINA	ELEMENTARY ELEM K-6	ESOL CATEGORY 1

Last Name	First Name	Current Certification	Out-of-Field For
SCHLENK	MICHELLE	ELEMENTARY ELEM 1-6 ESOL ENDORSEMENT PRIMARY ED PRIM GRADES SPECIFIC LRN DISAB VARYING EX GRADES K-12	GIFTED
TAYLOR	ASHLEY	PREK-PRIMARY AGE 3 GR 3	ESOL CATEGORY 1