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Calendar of Events

February

- 2/6: Family Night Fundraiser at Wings Plus, 6 PM
- 2/6: Kindergarten Round Up, 6:30 PM
- 2/7: Kindergarten Roundup, 8:30 AM
- 2/13-2/14: Days of Service and Love
- 2/14: Early Release Day, 12 PM
- 2/17: President's Day, No School
- 2/20: SAC/SAF Meeting, 7:30 AM
- 2/20: Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast, 9 AM
- 2/22: Relay For Life Garage Sale, 8 AM
- 2/25: Student of the Month Ceremony, 7 PM

Bicycles

All bike riders need to wear a helmet. If students need a helmet, please see our School Resource Officers, who provide free helmets courtesy of the Coral Springs Police Department. Please remember that, for the safety of all, students are expected to walk their bicycle once they arrive on school property. Thank you for putting safety first!



Administrator's Corner

February has arrived and we are ready to fill this month with lots of kindness and love. We hope you are ready to help us out! Throughout the month we have several activities and events planned for our school.

This week we celebrated the hundredth day of school. Students in the primary grades spend this day learning all about the number 100. They have been counting, sorting, eating, exercising and so much more. It is really an exciting time for these children. SO with that it means only 80 more days until the last day of school. Hard to believe how fast his year is flying by.

All of our 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students took the Broward Standard Assessments over the past two weeks. This assessment gives us information that helps teachers make adjustments to the curriculum in order to ensure all students are prepared and ready for the FSA in a few months. Once we have analyzed the results, teachers will be sharing this information with you. Please note, this assessment is completed on the computer, but the FSA will all be paper-based. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact your child's teacher. We are so proud of all their hard work!

On February 13th and 14th, Parkside will be celebrating our day of service and love. Both days, we will working with the students to create a better understanding of giving back and helping others. We have a few different projects that will be going on school-wide. We will first be cleaning up our Butterfly Garden, which we created last year and adding some additional plants to freshen it up a bit. We also will be working with Broward County's Homeless Task Force to create personal care kits for the homeless. We will also be collecting new socks to give as part of this project. This is where we really need your help. We are asking for families to please donate these items by February 12th. We need a few specific items: Travel Size Only of deodorant, soaps, hand sanitizer and toothbrushes. We also need any size socks. These can be children or adult sizes. We also have several classroom teachers who will be doing things within their classes. Please help us to make these two days a success by donating some of these items.

We want to thank our PTA for the wonderful Movie Night event that took place last week. Even though the weather did not cooperate to be outside, they shifted into the café and it was a great night. This was one of the biggest turnouts for a give back. Thanks to all of the families who were able to come out. This month, the PTA will be selling candy grams for Valentine's Day for your children if you'd like to purchase. Make sure to check your child's backpacks for this flyer.

At the end of this month on February 22nd, our school will be having a garage sale in the school's cafeteria. Each year, we raise money in a few different ways to give back to Relay for Life. If you have items you would like to donate, please let us know. More information will be coming on home in a flyer very soon.

Next week, we will be having our Kindergarten Round-Up. If you have a child or know of a neighbor who has a child that will be 6 on or before September 1, 2014 please reach out to them and let them know about this event. We will have one on Thursday, February 6th at 6:30 pm and Friday, February 7th at 8:30 am. Both will take place in our school's media center.

We again want to thank you for allowing us to work with your children each and every day. Happy Valentine's Day!

Lanea Hall, Principal

School Improvement Update

Our next School Advisory Council and School Advisory Forum meeting will take place on Thursday, February 20th at 7:30 AM in the media center. This is the best way to get involved and support our mission of school improvement. The School Advisory Council will craft and monitor our school improvement plan. 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.



Notes from the Teachers

Kindergarten

We have survived the first 100 days of Kindergarten! We are now in the 3rd quarter of the school year and have less than 80 days of the school year! We have our Safety Town field trip March 10-12th. Your child's teacher has the specific date for their class. In Reading, we will continue to work on distinguishing common types of texts such as storybooks, poems, etc. In Math, your child will learn all about subtracting within 5 in chapter 6 as well as counting and recognizing numbers 11-19 in chapter 7! We will continue to work on adding so be sure to practice at home! In Science, we will focus on learning about energy and stages of matter. 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!

1st Grade

This past month, first graders have been busy reading, reading, and reading some more! As we begin the second half of the school year, reading will be our focus. The children will be taking the End of the Year Reading Test in May, and we are trying hard to get them prepared. Please be on the look-out for reading comprehension passages going home for homework. In Math, we are finished up the chapter 5, how addition and subtraction are related. Chapter 6, Counting and Modeling Numbers, is a tough chapter, so please take time to practice math on a daily basis. Please practice math fluency facts, as well!! In science we are learning about plants. We've discussed plant parts and their jobs, how they grow and change, as well as what they need to grow. The children learned why we need plants and how they reproduce. We learned all about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. the last couple of weeks. We discussed the importance of learning about history, and making sure we do not make the same mistakes in the future. The children are always VERY intrigued by history! In February, the children will learn about George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, as the country celebrates President's Day. As always, we thank you for being a part of your child's learning!

2nd GRADE

Second graders had an amazing Science Day! We explored Force and Motion through various experiments. Don't forget to ask your child about these experiments. They may even be able to recreate some at home. In Reading, we are working on many skills including comparing and contrasting two texts. This means your child will be expected to read two different texts and identify how they are the same and how they are different. This important skill will help them with their reading comprehension. Second Graders are expected to be able to have reading comprehension that goes beyond retelling the events that happened in the book. They should be able to talk about character traits, the genre (fiction, nonfiction, realistic fiction, etc.), theme or lesson, make connections to their own lives, and talk about how the book is organized (including text features). These are just some of the many comprehension skills they need to grow as readers. Remember, your child should be reading every day outside of school hours. In Math, we are finishing up 2-digit subtraction and moving on to 3-digit addition and subtraction. You can help your child by having them practice addition and subtraction facts so they know them fluently. Knowing basic facts quickly will help them as the math becomes more complex. Your child can make flash cards, play math games and play games online to help improve basic fact fluency. Children can also go on the computer and use i-Ready at home to work on Reading and Math skills.

THIRD GRADE

Third graders completed the Broward Standards Assessment (BSA) Tests for Reading/Language Arts and Math. Teachers are analyzing the results and planning specific lessons to prepare the students for the FSA tests. Students are becoming authors as they are completing their fictional stories about the lifecycle of a seed. These stories will be professionally published. Also, this month students are researching their heritage and putting their information on a large 3D cube. Finally, students are learning about fractions and how they play a role in our everyday lives.

4th grade

Fourth Graders have been busy learning all about fractions. We are currently working with mixed numbers and fractions greater than one to solve operations in addition, subtraction, and multiplication. We will soon be moving into decimals. In Reading and Writing we are deep in informational text. We are learning to support claims with solid reasons and evidence. We are practicing this as writers as well as analyzing this as readers. We have grown a lot as writers, learning to polish our four paragraph essays into masterpieces! The focus of Science lately has been Earth Science. most classes have concluded their study of rocks and are moving onto the process that shape the earth like weathering, erosion, and deposition. We will start talking about the relationship between the Earth, Sun, and Moon very soon. Making observations with your child will be helpful as we begin this unit. Questions like, "Why is the Sun so low in the sky this evening? Where is the moon? How did it change its shape from last week?" will all stimulate the type of thinking needed to work through these abstract concepts. Toward the end of February many of the fourth grade students will be travelling to our oldest city, St. Augustine. We are getting ready for that trip by studying the history of the city. For those children not attending the trip, there will be a crazy critter visit!

Grade 5

Fifth grade students have been working very hard on their BSA tests for the past 2 weeks. They are anxious to show the wonderful academic progress they are making this year. In math they are deep into adding and subtracting fractions with unlike denominators. In reading we are finishing up main idea and diving into point of view. Students are reading literature to determine the narrator's or speaker's point of and how it influences their descriptions of events. In science we are learning about the different forms and uses of energy. Finally, the fifth grade students are working hard in their businesses to prepare for their trip to JA Biztown on February 12th.



Greetings from the **Parkside PTA!**



We were overjoyed at the record breaking turnout for our Free Movie Night & Popcorn Giveback! . Thank you to all our members and families that came out for a fun night! On February 6th, bring your fliers or mention us at Wings Plus on Sample Rd. from 6-9pm, and 25% of your purchase will be donated to the PTA! On February 7th, Valentine Gram orders are due. You can send in an order form with cash or go to our estore to purchase.

Square.com/store/parkside-elementary-pta They will be delivered to classrooms on February 13th. If you would like to volunteer to help with the Spring Fling Dance on March 13th please let us know! We need decorators, concession stand workers and helping hands with set up and tear down. ***WE ARE SEEKING TREASURER NOMINATIONS 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: February's Character Trait – Honesty



Dear Parents,
REMINDER – Your words and actions affect people’s self-esteem... so be KIND!

Four Ways To Help Kids Manage Frustration—Learning to manage and overcome frustrations builds resilience but it can be difficult for parents to stand back and let children cope on their own.

1. Stay Calm – while you may feel anxious, angry, or even embarrassed when your child is crying, it’s important that you model remaining calm yourself. It helps to remember that being a good parent doesn’t mean that your child is always happy. Remind yourself that your child’s age-appropriate frustration will eventually pass and both of you will survive it.
2. Be Consistent – All children need to know that they can count on their parent to guide them, support them, take care of their essential needs, and love them. Even in times of conflict, knowing how you will act when they are upset can lead to security and comfort in the relationship.
3. Pick the Right Time to Talk – You may notice that talking to your child when he or she is very emotional may not be very productive. However, children often want immediate answers and to gain what they seek instantly. It may be a relief to remember that you don’t have to answer your child immediately when emotions are running high. Even if your child is frustrated it is best to wait until you are both calm to talk.
4. Practice Good Communication Skills- Listen to your child, restate your child’s request and reasoning, logically explain your position, use “I” Statements... “I feel hurt when you keep leaving this mess, I want you to clean your room please.”, ask your child to restate what you said

If I can be of any assistance for your child or family please give me a call @ 754-322-7850. Have a mindful day!

Ms. Engle, School Counselor

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Parkside’s Robotics Team



The robotics team participated in a district wide competition on January 18th. The students had built their own robot, which the school received from a grant, and they put it to the test against other robotics teams from around the county. The students learned to program the robot with coding, made a journal of their progress, and designed the robot based on the specific challenge of this competition. The students had a great time and congratulations to them and Mr. Lehrhaupt for their participation and success.

Celebrating MLK



Congratulations to our classes who participated in the Martin Luther King Jr projects. We had a several winners and they received recognition on Thursday evening. Mrs. Mastrianni and Mrs. Miller’s students won Best in Show for the Art category of the district-wide contest and 3rd place in the literary category. The students were honored in a ceremony on January 25th at the Coral Springs Center for the Arts.





Relay for Life Garage Sale at Parkside

Parkside's 4th Annual Relay for Life Garage Sale will take place on Saturday, February 22nd, 2020 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM in our cafeteria. Please consider cleaning out your closets, drawers, and garages to donate some gently used items. Watch for additional information about drop off times. We really appreciate all of your support for this great cause! Take this opportunity to clean out your gently used items as a donation. The garage sale benefits Relay for Life, which is organized by the American Cancer Society.



Parkside is a Title One school. This means that we receive federal funding based on the number of students that receive free or reduced price lunch. Please view the Title One Parent resource guide to learn more about Title One. Click [here](https://www.browardschools.com/title1) or visit <https://www.browardschools.com/title1>. Please make sure that you fill out our Title One Parent Survey that will be coming out this month. It is very important that we hear from you about our parent involvement efforts. Thanks in advance!

Student ID Badges



All students are **required** to wear a Parkside ID badge all day long while at school. We distribute them in the morning when they arrive and take them in the afternoon when they leave. Every teacher has 5 paper copies of the badge that students can wear if they are lost. After those have been used, there is a cost of \$5 per replacement badge. You can either pay in cash or online. Please note this will become a student obligation that will be added to the students account and this must be paid before the end of the year. If you have questions, please feel free to reach out to the school. Please remember this is a safety issue and we must have all students, staff and visitors wearing identification at all times while on campus. Thanks for your help with this situation.

Aftercare Courier, February 2020

This month's payment is due on Friday February 7, 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 Friday February 7th. There are no exceptions. We have a waiting list of students who will be invited in if your spot is not secured. As a reminder, families who receive a scholarship, 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 The Discipline section: All students attending the program are expected to follow the Broward County Public Schools "Code of Student Conduct." And the anti-Bullying Policy 5.9. Inappropriate behaviors, including but not limited to, bullying and cyberbullying, are not acceptable. Students who cannot follow the daily acceptable behaviors will be placed on a "Behavior Plan." The consequences for misbehavior will vary from time out, missing an activity, suspension, or exit from the program. If a student's behavior endangers or injures another individual, the student may be immediately exited from the program.

Students who have been suspended from the program due to behavior, may not attend until the supervisor has had a conference with the student and the parent/guardian. After three documented incidents, of which the parent has been notified, a student may be exited from the program. Students suspended from the school, may not attend the program during their suspension. Fees will not be refunded for absences due to suspension. Students who are placed on "Internal Suspension" for the school day, may attend the program. 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, and Try to Resolve Conflicts (Be a problem solver). Finally, please note that our Broward County Public School Tax ID # is 59-6000530.

Thanks for all of your support!

Mrs. Lakay Wilkerson, Supervisor BASCC

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Parkside's Days of Service

Dear Parents, Students, and Community Members,

On February 13th and 14th, Parkside Elementary will be working on a few community projects. These are a way to teach students the importance of giving back to their community and to honor our students at Stoneman Douglas High School. Your child will be making a card for each kit, as well as, placing all the items in a bag. We need your help in making our projects a success by donating the items below as soon as possible. **All items due by February 12th.**

Project You Matter

For this project, we have teamed up with Broward County's Homeless Task Force. We will be creating personal care kits to donate. We are asking that you donate the following items in **TRAVEL SIZE ONLY**:

- *Deodorant
- *Soaps
- *Hand Sanitizer
- *Toothbrush



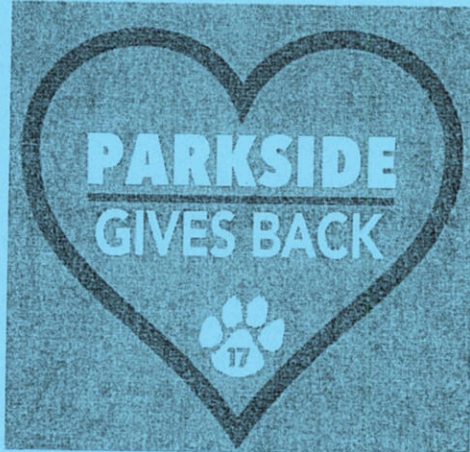
Warm
Their
Soles

Comfy Feet Project

For this project, we have teamed up with Broward County's Homeless Task Force. We need your help by **donating socks**. They can be both male and female, as well as, adult and children sizes.

DAY OF SERVICE & LOVE AT PARKSIDE ELEMENTARY: T-SHIRTS

PRE – ORDERS ONLY
 \$12/\$15 PER SHIRT (SEE SIZE CHART BELOW FOR PRICE)



This is a red t-shirt with white print

PAYMENT DUE BY FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 ~~~~~ EXACT CHANGE/CASH ONLY
 (Proceeds from shirts will go toward materials and supplies for the day of service and appropriate donations to commemorate this event)

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

TEACHER: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

INDICATE QUANTITY OF EACH SIZE IN BOXES BELOW. (*SIZE ADULT 2XL IS \$18 PER SHIRT):

PRICE:	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$15	\$12	\$12	\$12
SIZE:	ADULT SMALL	ADULT MEDIUM	ADULT LARGE	ADULT XL	ADULT 2XL	YOUTH SMALL	YOUTH MEDIUM	YOUTH LARGE
QUANTITY:								

Family members can also order shirts

HUMAN TRAFFICKING...

IT CAN HAPPEN TO ANYONE!

What is Human Trafficking?

Human trafficking is modern day slavery. It's the transporting, soliciting, recruiting, harboring, providing or obtaining of another person for the purposes of forced labor, domestic servitude or sexual exploitation using force, fraud and/or coercion.

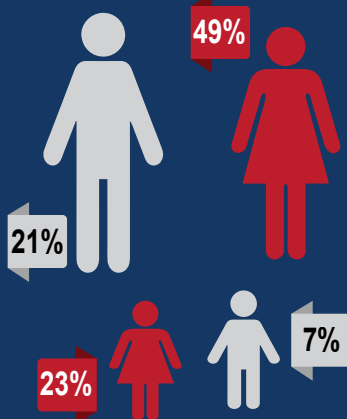
LET'S BREAK THE CHAINS OF SLAVERY

Trafficking happens everywhere, but most victims are trafficked close to home, and exploiters are often fellow citizens. The most common form of trafficking reported is sexual exploitation and most survivors are female. Some under-served populations at greater risk are those who may be LGBTQ, intellectually disabled, pregnant, or young parents.

Globally, countries are detecting and reporting more victims and convicting more traffickers – you can help!

KNOW THE SIGNS

Learn more at Browardschools.com/humantraffickingprevention

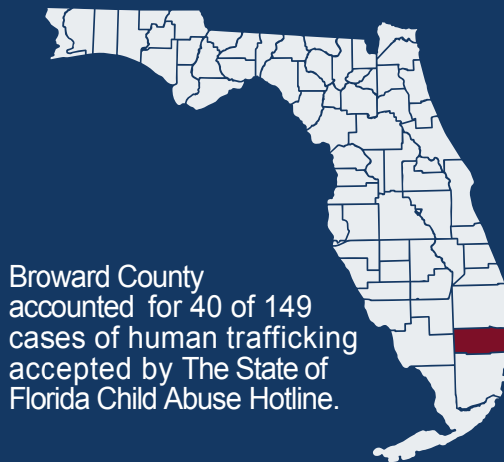
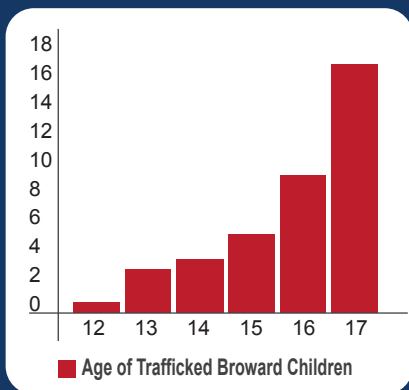


SPREAD THE WORD

Observe Human Trafficking Awareness Day every January 11th, BCPS staff find resources in [SC&D's SharePoint](#)

FLORIDA RANKS IN THE TOP 3 STATES WITH THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF PEOPLE TRAFFICKED

Broward County's Numbers



REPORT

Suspected trafficking to the confidential National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888 or text **HELP** or **INFO** to Be Free (**233733**)

Data Sources: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) Global Report on Trafficking in Persons, 2018; The National Human Trafficking Hotline; Statewide Council on Human Trafficking 2017 Annual Report; State of Florida Child Abuse Hotline.



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