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Sheridan Hills Elementary School
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Second Quarter 2018-2019

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Principal's Message



Mark Your Calendar!

Please join me in congratulating Ms. Emily Wood, SHE's Teacher of the Year, 2018-2019! Ms. Wood is an amazing fifth grade teacher who was chosen as teacher of the year by her peers. Congratulations also goes to Mr. Tony Frith, our Employee of the Year! Mr. Tony is our Head Facilities Serviceperson. He has helped us greatly in keeping our facilities clean, helping out our staff in so many ways and for giving so much time for our students and community! Mr. Tony is very appreciated by all at SHE. We are so proud of our winners!

This year, we will continue to provide a positive and safe learning environment that motivates our students to reach their greatest potential. I plan to work with parents, teachers, and community members to ensure that we intellectually challenge our students to become critical thinkers, inspire them to push past their fears, and teach them to support one another so that they can become leaders of their generation!

As a parent, you can help your child get the most out of this school year by encouraging him/her to put forth the most effort possible and strive to meet the goals of his/ her teacher. With a good parent-teacher relationship, you not only show your child that education is a priority, but that you respect the teacher and expect your child to do the same.

Mrs. Joseetta Campbell, Principal

November

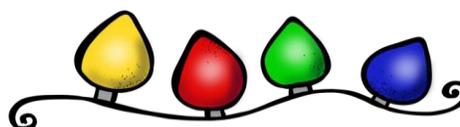
- 20 Interim Reports Issued
- 21-23 Thanksgiving Break
- 28 PTO Spaghetti Dinner Night, 5-7:00 p.m.

December

- 3-8 Computer Science Week
- 3 Hour of Code 8:15-9:15 a.m.
- 12 Dress Your Way Day
Cookies with Santa, 5-7 p.m.
- 13 SAC/SAF Meeting, 2:15 p.m.
- 21 Early Release Day
- 24-31 Winter Break

January

- 1-6 Winter Break
- 7 Teacher Planning Day
- 8 School Resumes
- 10 SAC/SAF Meeting, 2:15 p.m.
- 16 Dress Your Way Day
- 21 MLK Day, Schools Closed
- 24 Class Group Picture Day
- 30 Report Cards Issued



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Have you seen our Website, subscribed to our Facebook page, or followed us on Twitter? We hope you will connect with us via these tools to receive timely updates, check-out pictures of our events, and see the latest and greatest from SHE!
Website: SheridanHillsElementary.com
Facebook: [Facebook.com/SheridanHillsE](https://www.facebook.com/SheridanHillsE)
Twitter: @SheridanHillsE

Plan Ahead!

Please put the following dates on your calendar so your child can be in attendance at school and avoid missing out on learning. Please plan vacations and appointments during these dates!

Winter Break	Dec. 24 – Jan. 4
Spring Break	March 25-29

Food Drive

Our annual food drive runs through November 15th. Part of feeling good about ourselves is when we can help others! Your generosity with our food drive not only helps those that are less fortunate, but also sets a lifelong example for your children in helping others. Students can bring non-perishable food items through November 15th. If you know of a family who may need help with food or toys during the upcoming holiday season, please call Mrs. McAbee, School Counselor at 754-323-7300.

The mission of Sheridan Hills Elementary is to provide a diversified, stimulating, technology rich, and career ready curriculum designed to ensure that every child reaches their highest potential! We are proud to be a Title I School.

How Sweet It Is To Work At A School Full of "Smarties"!



Kindergarten "Kuties"

With our second quarter well underway, our Kindergarten students have been very busy learning about children and families from the past and present. While reading stories together, we have been identifying similarities and differences between characters, settings, and events. The students will then use this knowledge to give them a better understanding of what the First Thanksgiving might have been like for children and families. After Thanksgiving we will begin our unit on "Holidays Around The World". In math, we are moving on to reading, writing, and building sets to 20. Our students have even begun to apply addition with these numbers.

Please remember to keep practicing your sight words and number words nightly. As your child is reading each night, make it fun. Have them stop on a word and practice "tapping it out", hunt for a sight word, and use expression! Have a Great Holiday Season!

~Your Kindergarten Teachers

Terrific Third Grade

Third graders have been working very hard as we move from fractions into area and perimeter. In reading, we are working on non-fiction texts. Currently, students are identifying different text structures an author uses in his writing craft. These text structures include cause and effect, sequencing, and comparisons. Please ask your child to tell you the signal words that shows the text structure. In social studies, we are learning about perseverance. Discuss with your child about what it means to persevere!

It is very important to continue to read and practice multiplication facts daily with your child to strengthen their skills.

~The Third Grade Team

iReady Program

Parents, please encourage your child to complete i-Ready Reading and Mathematics lessons during the winter break. These lessons will facilitate continual learning during the holiday season. We value the importance of family time, so we recommend students complete at least four lessons per week (2-Reading & 2-Math) during the winter break.

Login information for Clever & i-Ready can be found on the SHE Website under Quick Links: SheridanHillsElementary.com

Fantastic First Grade

The first grade teachers are very grateful that you helped your child disguise their turkey so well that they are not going to be eaten for Thanksgiving! All the children did a wonderful job on this take-home project. We hope you enjoyed working with your child as much as we loved seeing and hearing their stories.

We are expanding our knowledge of American History with comparing ourselves to how the first settlers lived when they came to the "New Land." Ask your child about the similarities and differences that we came up with in class. In math, we are continuing to learn new addition and subtraction strategies with the use of numbers up to 20. We can identify the relationship between addition and subtraction facts.

In December, we will be traveling around the world learning about holidays and traditions celebrated in countries such as Italy, Israel, Germany, Sweden, and Mexico. On December 19th, we will be having our Polar Express Pajama Party. We will be reading the book Polar Express and completing many reading activities. During the Winter Break, please remember to read every night!

~The First Grade Team



Fabulous Fourth Grade

We are so proud of our fourth grade students! They are working hard in reading, math, writing, and science. All of our students are close to finishing their first full essay, which is complete with an introduction, body paragraphs, and a conclusion. As the year ends, students will begin to write their own essays with more independency. Math instruction has shifted to making sure students achieve mastery of 2 x 2 multiplication and long division. These are critical math skills, so please make sure your child gets any additional help that he/she may need. Our focus in reading right now is on identifying theme, key details, character traits, and inferences as they relate to literary text. We are excited about our first field trip to the Stranahan House Museum on November 13th!

Sensational Second Grade

Second grade students have been working hard already in the 2nd quarter! We are working on improving comprehension skills in all areas. We encourage parents to make sure that students read every night and talk to them about what they read. It's also important that our students can explain how they got their answers and why they are correct—have them prove it! In writing, we are working on information pieces. Your child will choose a subject that they know a lot about as the topic of their paper. We practice in class, however, students should also practice at home with some guidance from you. In math, we are learning about shapes and fractions. Also, we are getting ready to move into two and three-digit addition and subtraction of numbers. In Social Studies, we are learning about the different Native American tribes and their cultures. In science, we are learning about energy, and force and motion.

Please continue to check your child's work when it comes home and sign behavior sheets when needed. Thank you!

~The Second Grade Team

Fifth Grade Flash

The 5th Grade Team is excited about what's in store for this quarter! This quarter students will be learning how to build reading fluency, increase comprehension and utilize content vocabulary. The team will put their science skills to use through weekly hands on experiments that will be executed on Thursdays in our intermediate science lab as well as completing online digital science labs through Gizmos and Science A to Z, which can be accessed through Single Sign On.

In Math, students will be learning decimal place value through the thousandths period and adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing decimals.

As usual, your child's teacher is readily available should you have any questions and can be reached via e-mail.



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Headstart Heroes

Head start just started a new study on Clothes. We noticed that the children are very interested in clothing. They talk about clothes, put them on and take them off, compare clothes, and add clothing details to their drawings. We think clothes will make an interesting study. As we study clothes, we will learn concepts and skills in literacy, math, science, social studies, the arts, and technology. We'll also use thinking skills to investigate, ask questions, solve problems, make predictions, and test our ideas. Parents have been involved by bringing in clothes for us to investigate. We have had a blast looking at different types of clothing!

We are also continuing to learn our letter names and sounds. We have made so much progress since we started school in August! We also have been counting to 20 and writing our numbers. November is an exciting month and we look forward to learning about Thanksgiving as we share what we are thankful for and learn the story of Thanksgiving.

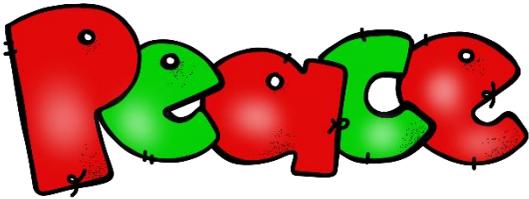
~Ms. Navia & Ms. Ramirez

Cafeteria News

Free breakfast is served daily beginning at 7:30 a.m. and ending at 7:50 a.m. Cool weather is coming and our cafeteria offers a great choice of hot breakfast daily, as well as a variety of cereal and yogurt meals.

At lunch, the cafeteria offers a variety of vegan/vegetarian choices, made fresh daily as well as light salad lunch meals.

Please check out the breakfast and lunch menus at BrowardSchools.com or by downloading the Broward Schools App on your smart phone.



Title I News

School Improvement Plan: School staff and parents jointly develop the plan. It includes yearly objectives and activities that will be implemented at the school level. You can access this plan on Sheridan Hills' Website. If you would like to review a hard copy of this plan or translation is needed, please contact Mrs. Lane, Title I Coordinator at (754) 323-7300.

School & Family Engagement Plan: School staff, district staff, and parents jointly develop these plans. These plans include the parent activities to be implemented through the school year and an evaluation of last year's program. You can access the school plan at Sheridan Hills' Website. You can access the District Plan at title1.browardschools.com. If you would like to review a hard copy of this plan or translation is needed, please contact Mrs. Lane at (754) 323-7300, or Linda Howard, Title I Program Specialist at (754) 321-1410.

School Accountability Report: Parents may find information about our school's test scores, annual yearly progress, and school grades at www.fldoe.org/accountability.

2018-2019 Yearbook Sale!

It is that time of year when we begin to sell our Yearbook for this school year! We always begin yearbook sales with a special, low price for those who pre-order their yearbooks early. **Yearbooks will be on sale for only \$20.00 from December 17th through February 3rd.** On February 4th, the yearbook price goes up to \$25.00. Regular price yearbook sales will continue through April 8th. Don't wait until it's too late, make your order and save some money! Advertisements and/or dedications may also be purchased beginning on December 17th through April 8th. Yearbook sales and dedications may only be purchased online at **YBLive.net**. A flyer with further information will be sent home soon, as well as directions on how to purchase your yearbook.



Pre-K Post

Preschool is grateful for our family and friends! We are working on learning all the vocabulary for Fall and November. We are counting everything! We are learning to put together objects as the foundation for addition. We are learning to pay attention to details and learning to color inside the lines of a picture. We are trying to increase our fine motor skills by tracing lines and cutting lines. Our gross motor skills focus on how to throw, catch, and kick a playground ball. Thank you for all you do! Happy Thanksgiving!

~Your Preschool Teachers

School Counselor News

Please visit the below URL to view a video that will introduce you to the use of problem-solving and how it may affect your child in the context of school-wide implementation of a multi-tiered system of supports, often referred to as RtI.

<http://www.florida-rti.org/parentResources/videos.htm>

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Media Center Matters

The Media Center is open every Tuesday from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Please come and enjoy the Media Center and its resources with your children. Students may check out extra library books, read and take AR tests, and complete i-Ready lessons. This is a great way to instill a love of reading in your children! We are seeing that our AR wall is growing with stars! Students who are reading, taking AR tests, and earning points will be invited to our AR store to purchase a reward every other Thursday. Remember; for reading to improve, students must be practicing their reading skills every day. Hope to see you at Tuesday Night Live!

~Ms. Lane, Media Specialist

Nurse's News

Food handling errors and inadequate cooking are the most common problems that lead to poultry-associated foodborne disease outbreaks in the United States. Follow these three food safety tips to help you safely prepare your next holiday turkey meal.

- **Safely thaw your turkey.** Thaw turkeys in the refrigerator. Never thaw your turkey by leaving it out on the counter. When the turkey is left out at room temperature for more than two hours, its temperature becomes unsafe as it moves into the danger zone between 40°F and 140°F, where bacteria can grow rapidly.
- **Safely handle your turkey.** Raw poultry can contaminate anything it touches with harmful bacteria. Follow the four steps to food safety – cook, clean, chill, and separate – to prevent the spread of bacteria to your food and family.
- **Safely cook your turkey.** Set the oven temperature to at least 325°F. Place the completely thawed turkey with the breast side up in a roasting pan that is 2 to 2-1/2 inches deep. Cooking times will vary depending on the weight of the turkey. To make sure the turkey has reached a safe internal temperature of 165°F, check by inserting a food thermometer into the center of the stuffing and the thickest portions of the breast, thigh, and wing joint.

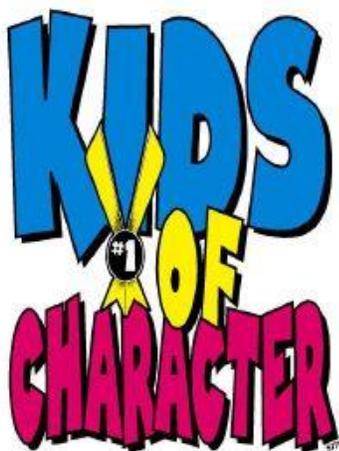
Music Notes

The fourth and fifth grade chorus has been practicing diligently for the Holiday performance which will be held on Tuesday, December 18th at 6:30 p.m. They will be singing a wonderful selection of holiday songs. Another exciting part of our Holiday Show will be our two fantastic dance teams. It will be a night you won't forget!

Physical Education Press

We are so excited to have PE back at Sheridan Hills. During the first quarter, we have been doing aerobic games. These games give students a chance to have fun and at the same time be active. Some of the activities students have participated in include running, jumping rope, and participating in different sports. Students have been playing games in each sport that they participate in. The benefit of playing these games is having a healthy heart and lungs and to strengthen their muscles. We will continue with aerobic games until the end of the year.

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Kids of
Character
Traits:

Cooperation
Responsibility
Citizenship
Kindness
Respect
Honesty
Self-Control
Tolerance

Each month, we focus on one of the above character traits. Every month, each classroom teacher nominates one student from their classroom that exemplifies the monthly character trait. This student is praised and recognized as a Kid of Character on morning announcements.

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