

# Patriot Pride

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## Principal's Corner

Dear Proud Patriot Families,

**Wow! What a year thus far. We are already into the Spring Break and testing season. Where did the time go? What a great year we have had, from the Campus Beautification Project, Mother and Son Dance to our Spring Fling. We have had a very busy, yet productive school year. We would like to thank our staff, students, and parents for all the hard-work they have put in to make this year a success for our small village called Carlton Palmore Elementary. When we work as a family, greatness will happen!**

With that being said, we would like to thank all of our parent and family volunteers. Thank you to those that assist with field trips and big events. A special thank you goes out to our volunteer of the year, Mrs. Mansker! Yes, she is here almost daily assisting in the office and about campus. "Thank you" also to, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Maffett, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Rivera, and Mrs. Tovrea....for being here monthly and often weekly. We appreciate all you do for Carlton Palmore Elementary! Thank you to the families that came out to beautify our campus. We love the front of the building.

Reminder - with FSA testing coming up, please ensure your child gets plenty of sleep, a good breakfast, and a good start in the morning leaving the house. Attitude and a belief that they "can do it" is essential in taking the FSA test; mindset is important during the days of testing. We have prepared the students for this assessment, the rest is up to them. We wish our 3rd-5th grade students luck as they move into the testing season. Tell your child to breath deep, think, and stay focused!

This will be our last newsletter of the year. Don't forget your child's award ceremonies in May - refer to the calendar. We will also send out a flyer for the award ceremonies closer to the dates. Have a wonderful ending to a great year, as we wind down these next few months!

*Mrs. Dardis*

## Important Upcoming Events

- ◇ March 11-15 - Kindergarten Swim Week
- ◇ March 13 - Early Release - 12:30 pm
- ◇ March 15 - Leadership Celebration (PBS) - Soda and Sport Shirts
- ◇ March 15 - Spring Fling - 5:30-7:30 pm
- ◇ March 22—Field Day, 2nd-3rd grade - 9-11 am  
4th - 5th grade - 12-2:30 pm
- ◇ March 25-29 - Spring Break, No School
- ◇ April 2 - FSA ELA Writing Test—4th & 5th grade
- ◇ April 3-4 - FSA ELA Test—3rd grade
- ◇ April 4 - Jet's Pizza Fundriaser
- ◇ April 5 - Report Cards go home
- ◇ April 16 - Art/Music Show - 5:00—6:30
- ◇ April 19 - No School
- ◇ April 24 - Early Release—12:30 pm
- ◇ April 26 - Leadership Celebration (PBS) - Snow Cones and Shades
- ◇ April 26 - Daddy & Daughter Dance - 5:00 - 7:00 pm
- ◇ May 1-2 - FSA ELA Reading - 4th&5th
- ◇ May 2 - Jet's Pizza Fundriaser
- ◇ May 3 - Interims go home

## School Counselor Corner

The Bethany Center of Good Shepherd Hospice is hosting their 18th annual Camp Brave Heart for children and teens ages 6-16 that have experienced the death of a loved one. Camp Brave Heart will be held at the Circle F Dude Ranch in Lake Wales on April 5 – April 7, 2019.

**\*\*More Information can be found on the flyer sent home\*\***

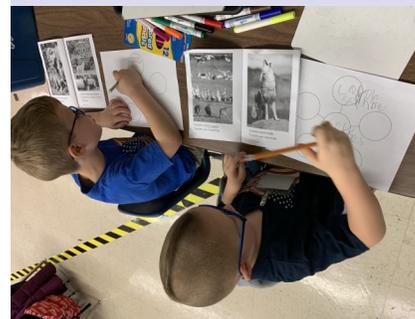
## Kindergarten News - Class of 2031

**Writing:** The students are currently working on writing multiple sentences to answer a question. Some of our strategies include: leaving spaces between words, writing a letter for each sound they hear, using capital letters to start sentences, and adding punctuation at the end of a sentence.

**Reading:** We are working on tracking our reading with our fingers and solving words that we don't know. To practice this at home, have your child follow along with you as you read and

allow your child to read the words they know. We have also talked about: checking the pictures, using the first sound to help, touching each word as you read, asking yourself "Does it make sense?" and "Does it look right?"

**Math:** Students have been exploring teen numbers. We are also working on writing and representing numbers 11-20. Students will be exploring different ways to compose and decompose, compare, and count on from 0-20.



## First Grade News - Class of 2030

First graders are working hard to earn our AR points. We love reading with our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade book buddies! Keep reading those AR books at home! Our reading lessons are focusing on using the text and illustrations to describe characters, setting, and events. We are also looking for connections between the information or events in the text.

In math we are beginning to learn about measurement. We will use a ruler to measure length to the nearest inch. We will also learn how to use a clock to measure time.

Our science lessons have focused on materials on the Earth's surface. We are learning why we

need water, how to conserve water, and how to be safe around water. Take this opportunity to talk about water safety with your child.



## Second Grade News - Class of 2029

We are constantly busy in second grade this year. During the next two months, we have a lot of exciting activities planned in and out of the classroom. In the first week of March, we will be traveling to Legoland Florida for our first field trip of the year. The students will have a fun day filled with exciting rides as well as academic experiences. All students are signed up for a class during the day where they

will explore scientific concepts and experiments. As for academics, in Reading we will be working on our fourth research project of the year. Students will put their knowledge of severe weather patterns into a project about the different types of severe weather and how to prepare for it. In Math, we are starting data and graphing, which is always a fun topic. In Science,

the students are going to be geologists and study rocks. The students will even be doing an experiment where they will create and build their own rocks. As always, thank you for your support in everything. We are looking forward to the next two months.

## Third Grade News - Class of 2028

Our third graders continue to work hard in preparation for the upcoming FSA tests!

In math, students just finished learning about geometry, area, and perimeter. Students have learned to identify shapes by their attributes, which includes describing the number of sides, the lengths of sides, and the various types of angles a shape could have. For area and perimeter, students have completed various hands on

activities to find these different measurements. We have created shapes using square tiles in the classroom, and have created shapes on the floor to help students understand the concepts.

In reading, we are revisiting skills to get ready for FSA. Students are identifying text connections, main idea, and the author's point of view in informational texts. In literature, they are identifying the point of view of characters or the narrator and distinguishing it

from their own point of view, determining the central message, and explaining how characters' actions affect the sequence of events in a story. We are reviewing vocabulary skills, as well. Students should use root words, prefixes, and suffixes to determine meanings of unknown words. They should also be able to use context clues to determine the new word's meaning.

## Fourth Grade News - Class of 2027

Testing season is upon us! Fourth graders have been working extremely hard while preparing for our upcoming FSA Tests. Our Writing FSA test is on April 2<sup>nd</sup> and we have been practicing writing four days a week and have moved science back to one day a week. Please ask your child what should be required in their essay, so they can practice at home as well ☺. FSA Reading and FSA Math will be completed within the first couple of weeks in May, so please continue reading with your child at home and ask some comprehension questions

about what they are reading. Also, make sure they are practicing those math facts (multiplication and division).

Fourth grade has planned a field trip to Busch Gardens on May 23. A green paper has already been sent home, in order to get a head count. The cost to attend the field trip is \$70. That amount includes transportation, lunch and entry into the park. If your child has an annual pass, they would just need to bring \$20 for the lunch voucher and

transportation. If you are an approved volunteer and would like to be considered as a chaperone, the cost is \$60 and you will need to provide your own transportation. All money and permission slips are due by **May 3<sup>rd</sup>**.

Other important dates:

Agrifest Field Trip- March 21<sup>st</sup>

Field Day- March 22<sup>nd</sup>

Nurse Lessons- April 26<sup>th</sup>

## Fifth Grade News - Class of 2026

In reading, we are completing a special review of both comprehension and vocabulary standards. Your child is getting more practice and applying the skill in new ways. We are also preparing for our FSA Writing Assessment, which takes place right after Spring Break. Students will be given anywhere from 2-4 sources on a topic, along with an essay prompt. They will need to utilize the essay planning outline we've practiced this year to plan at least a four paragraph essay (introduction, two body paragraphs, and conclusion) in

which they write to the given prompt.

For science, students have been learning about how the weather and climate affect our lives. They have been learning through web quests how to prepare for what they should do before, during and after severe natural events like hurricanes, tornadoes, tsunamis, and earthquakes in order to stay safe. They have learned about the five layers of the Earth's atmosphere and how each layer protects us. Our next unit we will be exploring

Earth's relationship within our solar system, galaxy, and universe.

Fifth grade wants to remind parents that we have planned a variety of special activities to culminate your child's last year in elementary school. We will need approved volunteers to assist with these activities. If you haven't already completed the volunteer application, please do so as soon as possible!

## Testing Corner

### 2019 FSA Testing Schedule

FSA testing is quickly approaching. Please see our testing dates below.

April 2nd - 4th & 5th Grade ELA Writing

April 3rd & 4th - 3rd Grade ELA Reading

May 1st & 2nd - 4th & 5th Grade ELA Reading

May 7th & 8th - 3rd, 4th & 5th Grade Math

May 9th & 10th - 5th Grade Science

Please visit [fsassessments.org](http://fsassessments.org) for more information regarding practice tests. \* Specific information will be sent home prior to each test!

## Music

**Kindergarten** will be learning to show how a melody moves with movement activities. They will also learn how to respond to the steady beat and echo rhythm patterns on classroom instruments.

**1st Grade** will learn how to create melodic and rhythmic patterns on classroom instruments. They will also learn to match what they hear in music to traditional and nontraditional notation.

**2nd Grade** students will learn to improvise on Orff xylophones and learn how music is notated.

**3rd Graders** will practice reading notation in songs they sing and playing recorders and Orff xylophones with proper technique. They will learn how to evaluate their performance and the performance of others. They will also be learning how to identify the form in music they hear and see.

**4th and 5th Grade** classes are also working on playing the recorder and Orff xylophones. They will be learning how to create ostinatos (repeated rhythm patterns) and add them to songs in order to make their own music arrangements.

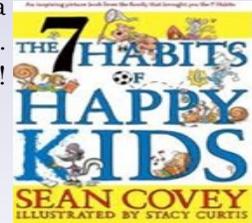
The **4th and 5th Grade Chorus** will record a video audition to perform at Universal Studios. If selected, they will be invited to perform at City Walk and spend the rest of the day in the theme park.

The **Polk County Elementary Music Showcase** will take place at Florida Southern College on May 8th. Our school will be represented in all categories, Girls Choir, Boys Choir, Orff Ensemble, and String Ensemble.

**5th Grade Guitar Class** is learning to play melodies on the guitar. They will be preparing for Polk County's Guitar/UKulele Day at Bethune Academy in Haines City in May.

## 7 HABITS SPOTLIGHT

Students will earn a Patriot Stamp, if they have made great choices and have followed our 7 Habits each day. At the end of each month, students will be rewarded for getting the Patriot Stamps in their agendas. We will celebrate the students' positive behavior efforts with Soda and Sports Shirt Day on March 15th, Sno Cones and Shades on April 26th and Extra Recess & Free Dress on May 17th. Watch for those patriot stamps! Check your child's agenda daily!



## Student Leaders of the Month

These students have exhibited the seven habits for the month of January and February!

### Pre-K

Brown—Amber Allison

McKeigue—Sabestain Hendrix, Ja'Khari Mikell

### Kindergarten

Cooper—Evan Scott

Germosen—Savannah Davis

McCloy—Harper Richardville, Quinton Pope

McHaffie—Jasiah Wade

Rogers—Lyla Ivey, Olivia Banaszewski

### 1st Grade

Lietz—Macey McDermott, Emberlyn Anthony

McHaffie—Delmarri Haynes

Isaac—Julian Vega, Kyleigh Tomlinson

Pierce—Diego Mejia-Caballero, Payton Clark

Portillo—Shyanna Ward, Mah'ki Wilson-Evans

### 2nd Grade

Lockhart—Giovanni Aponte, Scout Leever

Meyer—Danielle Champion, Da'mya Gibson

Passarella—Carina Carver, Silvia Martinez

### 3rd Grade

Cooper—Christian Wenhold

Goddard—Owen Coss, Makayla Davis

Hollingsworth—Lillie Cox, Tyler Martin

Miller—Alice Mason, Cooper Gilds

Watler—Ryder Crowley, Aaliyah Williams

### 4th Grade

Gerstler—Ayannah Boffil, Natalie Portillo

Maldonado—Mason Fike, Elijah Dilworth

Rivera—Abby Whipple, Emilee Shiver

### 5th Grade

Grant—Yeriel Gonzalez, Orelvys Gomez

Leskis—Shania Ferguson, Javin Rodriguez

McWright—Jack Peterson, Chrishaely Flores

Richardson—Janira Alicea, Emma Turner, Alivia Ochoa

1. Proactive
2. Begin with the End in Mind
3. Put First Things First
4. Think Win-Win
5. Seek First to Understand then.. Be Understood
6. Synergize
7. Sharpen the Saw

