

Roberts Elementary School

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

During this time of being thankful and showing our love and appreciation to others, I want to take this opportunity to recognize some special people on our campus. Please join me in congratulating these outstanding Red Foxes!

· Glenn Howell Distinguished Educator of the Year: Mrs. Erma Sever- Media Specialist

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· Florida School Related Employee of the Year:

Mrs. Felicia Wilson- Behavior Specialist • Teacher of the Year:

Mrs. Angeleen Harry-4th Grade Teacher

As we prepare for the winter break, please remind your children the importance of keeping focused on their school work and completing all assignments on their due dates. Also, please ask your child about their progress toward meeting their A.R. goal and how many words they have read this nine weeks. We will host our Late Night Library on Thursday, December 5th from 5-7 p.m. Remember to read, read! Thank you again for your support with the Boosterthon Fun Run. We have collected 98% of the funds pledged. This is a great accomplishment in such a short time span! Even though this is a very busy season with lots of events and activities planned at school and in the community, we will work hard at school to maintain routine and structure. By assisting your children with their homework, signing planners or Friday folders and checking their grades on line, we know this will continue to be a productive year and your children will continue making academic progress. As I have said before, I am truly blessed to be part of such a caring, giving community and am thankful to lead a professional, loving faculty and staff. Please enjoy the holiday season and the winter break with your family.

Dates to Remember	
5-Dec	Late Night Library
	5:00pm - 7:00pm
6-Dec	Foxes Under the Stars 5:30pm-8pm
12-Dec	4th Grade Musical 6pm
14-Dec	Hang Tough Santa Day
	10am - 12pm
17-Dec	Pint Size Hero Blood Drive
	1:30pm - 6:30pm
20-Dec	Early Release Day 12:20pm
Dec 23-Jan 3	Winter Break No School
6-Jan	Teacher Planning Day No School
7-Jan	Students Return to School
20-Jan	Martin Luther King JR Holiday No School
Jan 27 - Jan 31	Literacy Week
28-Jan	Caldecott Carnival
31-Jan	Book Character Parade

ROBERTS HOLIDAY DRIVE



This year we are partnering with the Early Steps program through the Children's Home Society. The Early Steps program provides services for families with children ages 0-3 with varying degrees of developmental delays. We are requesting developmentally appropriate toys for that age group as well as gift cards. All donations should be brought to the Guidance office by Monday, December 9th. Please look for a flyer in your child's Friday folder for more information.

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FROM THE PTO

Hello Red Fox Families!

We have been having some fun, haven't we! The Roberts Fall Festival was a complete success! Carrie Millar and her stellar committee really hit it out of the park with this years Fall Festival and as a result, it was wonderful memory-maker. The Fall Festival Chair has always been a "one and done" position. So when you see Carrie in the halls of Roberts or around town, encourage her to buck the trend and ask her to Chair the Festival in 2020. Maybe she will and this conversation will be our little secret!

At a school like Roberts where our Fox Families' involvement is so high, we are able to do things like a Boosterthon the week before Red Ribbon Week and the Fall Festival and still manage to exceed our goals for both! Another heavy lift for the PTO is the annual Boosterthon. Our PTO Board Member, Sallie Crumbaker, is THE Mom that does all the things behind the scenes to make sure our Boosterthon is successful - I can't thank her enough! When you see Sallie - please be sure to thank her too - and special shout outs if you mention that she makes that Boosterthon headband look GOOD - I promise she'll love the attention!

Speaking of being thankful - if you signed up for a Fall Festival shift - thank you! If you have come to RES to have lunch with your Red Fox - thank you! If you help Mrs. Sever in the Media Center - thank you! RES wouldn't be the special place it is with our Volunteers, Teachers, Staff and Families.

More FUN stuff is happening in 2020 - stay tuned for the Father/Daughter Dance, Silent Auction in April and of course, the Crazy month of May will be here before we know it!

Lily E. Truesdell PTO President



LATE NIGHT LIBRARY

Please join us on December 5th for the Late Night Library. The Media Center will be open from 5pm-7 pm for students to read, complete A.R. goals and work on being one of the top 3 readers in the class.

LITERACY WEEK

We will celebrate Literacy Week January 27th to 31th. This is a statewide initiative to show appreciation for books and reading. We will have different events and activities throughout the week, so be on the lookout for more information in January.

MUSIC NOTES

The 4th grade students will be performing "I Need a Little Christmas Vacation" on December 12th at 6pm in the cafeteria. Hope to see you there!!

PENGUIN PATCH HOLIDAY SHOP

Our Holiday Shop is coming soon! The students will have the opportunity to come and shop for their friends and family during the week of December 2nd to 6th. Look for more information that will be coming home soon.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY TRAVEL



We are excited to have two full weeks off for the Winter Break. This will give our students a nice chance to recharge their batteries, and return ready to start the new semester. If you have travel plans (<u>in addition to the given two weeks from December 23 to January 6</u>) please remember to send an email to Mrs. McFarland (<u>mcfarlandk2@leonschools.net</u>) identifying the educational benefits of your trip/absences. Also, add your child's teacher and Mrs. Cameron (<u>cameronc@leonschools.net</u>) on emails regarding travel is helpful and much appreciated.

ROBERTS ELEMENTARY THE TRENT

Roberts Elementary School is proud to host the 11th annual **10K 5K and 1M - THE TRENT** on January 25th, 2020 to honor Trent McElroy; a Roberts 4th grader who lost his battle to childhood cancer in 2013.

It was Trent's greatest wish to support children who are valiantly fighting the same battle that he fought. Treatment and related expenses cost \$1 billion in the US in 2009 alone. These families are vulnerable to financial stress related to unplanned hospitalizations, out of pocket expenses and changes in parental employment. With growing health care costs, resources to help ease the financial burden are limited.

To honor Trent's legacy, Roberts Elementary hosts the race each year. All proceeds go to the Trent's Touch Foundation in order to support local families battling pediatric cancer. To date, we have supported 42+ local families!

For information on becoming a sponsor, donor or registering for the race, please visit www.TrentsTouch.com.



LOST AND FOUND

The Winter holidays are approaching fast and the Lost and Found coat racks are FULL. If your child is missing a jacket, lunchbox or water bottle, please encourage them to look through the racks in the cafeteria. Mrs. Wilson will begin bagging any unclaimed items on December 20th for donation.

PROCEDURAL REMINDERS



Early Dismissal

For early dismissal/pick up a student everyone have to sign out the student and show a picture ID.

If you are coming to volunteer in a classroom or going on a field trip you will need to fill out the district volunteer form (online) and show a picture ID at the front office.

Transportation Changes:

Any transportation changes need to be called in by 2:15pm.