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Message from Administration

There are many events happening during the month of October! Please be sure to check out the list of dates below as well our Facebook page, SPES listserv and your student book bag for notes. In addition, we will be sending home a calendar with the list of upcoming events so that you can hang it on your refrigerator. We had an awesome Dad take your child to school day in September, and look forward to your support each month. Don't forget Trunk or Treat on October 31! Student can dress up and wear costumes to school for trick or treating!

October Events

September 30th- October 21st PTO Yankee Candle Fundraiser

October 3rd: Paint The Town Pink
(Please wear pink in support of breast cancer)

October 6th-12th: Fire Prevention Week

October 11th: End of 1st nine weeks

October 14th: Teacher Planning Day: No School

October 6th – 12th: Fire Prevention Week

October 14th-18th: National School Lunch Week

October 17th: SAC/PTO – Parent Workshop Meeting (Technology Night) @
5:30 pm in Cafeteria

October 21st – 25th Bus Safety and Red Ribbon Week

October 21st: Pink Diamond Meeting

October 23rd: Report Cards Go Home

October 30th: National Candy Corn Day & Patriot Writes

October 31st: SPES Trunk or Treat

Pre-K

Fall is in the air! We are learning about Friendship and the Fall season. We are working on being good friends. We share, play nicely, and have fun together. We will be learning about the changes that Fall brings. Leaves turning colors, the cooler weather, and fun activities are thing we look forward to during this time of year. We are also scheduling Fall conferences. We look forward to meeting with each of you to discuss your child's progress.

Please remember a few things:

*if your child is sick, please keep him/her home.

*check your child's backpack and folder each night for important reminders and school activities.

Kindergarten

October finds Kindergarten working very hard on beginning to read. We are using the letters and letter sounds that we know to blend them together to begin reading words. It is very important that you point to the words when you are reading with your child and that you read together for a few minutes each night. Remember – A child that is read to will become good readers themselves! In Math, we are working hard on numbers 1 to 10. The children need to recognize and be able to count the objects and write the numbers. This can be done with pencil, crayon, marker, chalk or even water on the sidewalk to practice. We will be studying Fall and how the seasons change as well as Fire Safety and apples this month.



1st Grade

It's hard to believe the first nine weeks is almost over! Be sure to sign up for a conference with your child's teacher-look for a sign-up sheet coming home. We have now settled nicely into our classroom routines and are working hard!!

2nd Grade

As we near October 11th, the end of the First Nine Weeks, it is important that your child is reading nightly to meet their Accelerated Reading goal. Make sure to sign up for the mandatory First Nine Weeks conference with your child's teacher. We will be discussing your child's progress and grade level expectations. We are beginning Chapter 3 in Go Math with a focus on basic facts and relationships. Please utilize Think Central at home through ClassLink for additional home practice. Unit 1 has been covered in Science and we are currently studying Measuring and Comparing Objects. We are also in Unit 1 Week 5 of Wonders focusing on the essential question: what happens when families work together? Feel free to ask your child about this topic nightly. Thanks for your continued support!

3rd Grade

Conference time! Be on the lookout for sign-up for conferences with your child's teacher. The end of the nine weeks is on the October the 11th so make sure you are encouraging your child to finish strong. We are continuing working hard learning new skills and procedures in math and reading. The first week in October we will be taking another star test to show off our new skills. Encourage your child to take their time and read. We all know what happens the end of October, so be on the lookout for flyers about Sabal Palm's Trunk-or-Treat. Thanks to all the parents that have signed up for Remind. If you have not done so we encourage you to do so to keep informed of activities in your child's class.



4th Grade

In 4th grade, overall we have been communicating to our students the need to complete all class work and homework in order to do well on assessments. We have also been letting students know the importance of thinking and not talking constantly. The teachers in 4th grade provide lots of time to discuss the skills, strategies and concepts needed to be successful in all subjects. We need for our students to talk less and think more! In ELA, we are currently focused on cause and effect, rereading to build knowledge, vocabulary word meanings, etc. Also, we will be moving into Main Idea and Key Details in the upcoming week's lesson. Currently in Math, we have come to the skill that presets the remainder of the skills that the students will learn: multiplication! We are asking that your child become fluent with their basic multiplication facts to aid us in getting them ready for Chapter 2 and beyond. You can access multiplication cards from any store and test them with these cards at any time. In Science, we are currently in Unit 1: The Nature of Science learning about the skills and tools scientists use to perform science investigations. Thank you for your continue support as we move your child to the next level.

5th Grade

We have gotten off to a great start learning new information in reading, math, and science. Please be sure that your child is reading 35 minutes every day. Students should practice basic math facts daily to strengthen their ability to divide. This will also provide a great advantage in geometry. Students should also study science vocabulary words to help them prepare for the science FSA. Please remember to turn in the student information sheet if you have not done so already. Thanks for your support!

Parent Tip

Teach your child about evaluating information and being critically aware of information found online.

Most children use the internet to improve and develop their knowledge in relation to schoolwork and personal interests.

Children should be aware that not all information found online is correct, accurate or relevant.



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