



Roberts Elementary School

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Welcome back and Happy New Year! It is wonderful to have the children back with us! Please continue to encourage your children to be prepared for school each day by completing all assigned homework, studying for any quizzes or assessments, getting a good night's rest and eating a healthy breakfast. One way you can ensure your children are prepared to meet their grade level standards in reading would be to highly encourage them to read nightly in addition to the reading we do during the school day. We have many opportunities for the students to read books and take A.R. quizzes before school and during the school day. Teachers monitor the progress of each student through this program, and it is an additional way for all of us to see how well your children are comprehending what they read as well as to challenge them to read on their grade level and above. As for math, your children need to practice their basic facts at home routinely. By being able to add, subtract, multiply and divide (based on grade level) single digits fluently their math comprehension and computation will improve drastically. Please contact your child's math teacher for ideas on ways to practice at home to help your child be successful in math! We will again be hosting student led conferences for each grade level this year. A schedule of the dates and times will be sent to you from your child's homeroom teacher. Place those dates on the calendar so you can enjoy this special time with your child reflecting on their growth and progress this school year. As a special reminder, please follow all

Dates to Remember	
16-Jan	Report Cards Go Home
17-Jan	PTO Meeting 6pm
Jan 18-25	Scholastic Book Fair
21-Jan	MLK Holiday No School
26-Jan	The Trent 10k, 5k, 1M
Jan 28- Feb 1	Literacy Week
31-Jan	100th Day of School
1-Feb	Book Character Dress Up Day
8-Feb	Student Interim Reports
13-Feb	Class Picture Day
15-Feb	Daddy Daughter Dance 6:30pm-8:30pm

procedures for drop off and pick up each day. Student supervision begins every morning at 7:45. If you are dropping your child through car drop off please do not allow them to exit the car until the adults are on duty at 7:45. In the afternoon, our car pick up procedures move quickly and smoothly. Typically, all cars are through the line by 3:05.

Daily attendance and being on time to school is also extremely important. They need to be here every day on time and need to stay until the very end of the school day. Teaching takes place up until dismissal in all classrooms. If students are late or leave early they are missing valuable instruction which is very hard to make up. Thank you for making attendance a priority. Thank you again for the support you as parents and guardians give us. It takes a village to raise a child and we love being part of your child's village.

FROM THE PTO

As you begin to plan for the New Year, please keep a few dates in mind. January 17, 2019, is our next PTO meeting. We will have a special guest from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) to provide parents with practical tips on internet safety. This event is being tailored to provide answers to those questions we all wonder about – what we can do to keep our kids safe with online games, what do we need to know about social media, and so much more. Please mark your calendars and join us at 6:00 pm on January 17.

Another important date is April 4. This is the date of our Silent Auction. The Silent Auction is a big fundraising event for the PTO, but to make it successful we need the help of our Red Fox Family and local business community. The PTO is looking for donations from local businesses and parents. Do you have a business that could provide a monetary donation or a gift certificate for your services? Do you own a vacation home you can donate for a weekend getaway? Amber Bulloch is the coordinator for the Silent Auction and would love to hear from you. Please contact Amber at amber.bulloch@aol.com. Money earned from the Silent Auction is one way our PTO can continue to provide support to our school and put on family oriented events throughout the year. Supporting the PTO Silent Auction is supporting our school and we can't wait to hear from you!

Becky Marsey, PTO President

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair will begin on Friday, January 18 and continue through Friday, January 25. More information will be sent home soon.

LEON COUNTY SCHOOL CHOICE

Leon County Schools offer a diversity of educational opportunities to students. School Choice allows a student to maximize educational opportunities by providing options for attending a school that best meets their specific needs. If you are interested in knowing more about the Leon County School Choice Program, please call the School Choice Office at (850) 561-8484 or visit them online at www.leonschools.net. The deadline to apply for changing schools is **March 1, 2019**.

PE NEWS

In January the 3rd – 5th graders will be participating in a Bicycle and Traffic Safety unit. The district provides bikes for our students to ride during this unit (we will be riding bikes on the PE court/ field). Please have your 3rd – 5th graders bring their own helmet, if at all possible. Also, it tends to be cold in January, so have your student bring a pair of gloves to keep in their backpacks for those cold mornings. Our K – 2nd graders will be working on Pedestrian Safety during the month of January. Each year many young people are killed due to traffic related accidents. Our goal is to teach our students how to be safe in and around traffic and to prepare them for the day they start driving, too.

YEARBOOK ORDERS

Yearbooks may be ordered online using the following link and access code. The cost is \$25.00. The price increases to \$28.00 after March 26. access code: C450400
www.leonards.com/yearbooks

LITERACY WEEK

We will join in the state-wide celebration of Literacy Week January 28th through February 1st. We will have lots of fun events and activities to show our appreciation for books and our love of reading. Details will be sent out soon.

THE TRENT 10K, 5K, AND 1 MILER

On Saturday, January 26, 2019, Roberts Elementary School will be hosting the 10th annual 2019 The Trent 10k. All proceeds from the race will benefit the Trent's Touch Foundation. Please join us for a day of fun. To register online at <http://2019TheTrent10.EventBrite.com>