

THE FREEDOM POST

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Elementary School
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A note from Mr. Sabatino,



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Do you believe that all the Holidays are just around the corner? Time truly seems to go faster and faster every day!! In October, we stood up against drugs and showed our unity to stay drug free during Red Ribbon Week! We also participated in the National Walk to School Day. We had a few amazing fundraisers in October that were all very successful due to all of our fantastic parents and guardians. The Kindergarten team started our Literacy Breakfasts in a great way by hosting our first one of the year.

During Red Ribbon week our students and staff all dressed up on each day to show their support against the use of drugs. We wore tie dyes to peace out to drugs; team jerseys to be on team drug free; red to unite against drugs; pajamas so drugs won't steal our dreams and our school shirts to show our school choose to be drug free! This was a great week and showed how we were all standing up to drugs.

Many successful fundraisers were conducted throughout October and we thank everyone for participating in them. Our students had lots of fun and received many fantastic prizes. The groups receiving the donations were very appreciative of all your generosity.

We kicked off our Literacy Breakfasts with the Kindergarten team presenting their interesting book with many strategies to question and engage your children while reading at home. Each month every grade level will host a Literacy Breakfast of their own. On Friday, November 17 our First Grade team will be presenting their reading. The festivities begin at 7:15 am in our cafeteria.

During morning drop-off, please remember to have your children ready to exit the car on the passenger side, when you pull up in front of the school. By doing this and by pulling up as far as you can on the curb we will continue to make our drop-off procedure faster. As long as you are in the school gates by 8:00 your child is not late. If you come in after 8:00, you will need to park and walk your child in to sign them in as tardy. Also, please refrain from dropping your children off in the bus loop or anywhere else but the car line since this is very dangerous and causes many problems. We need to all work together and respect our neighbors.

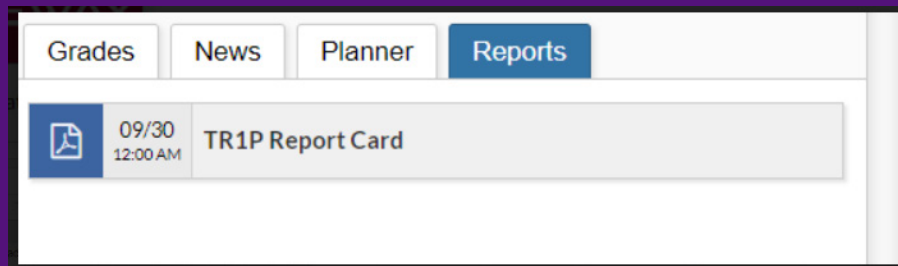
Please do not send your children to school with soda as a drink for their lunch. We would appreciate only water to hydrate the children. Also, please only send healthy snacks. Thank you all for your support and cooperation every day. We are all working together to raise the future leaders of our world.

Thanks for all you!!

A note from Ms. Rogers,



November officially marks the end of our first trimester. This means your child will be receiving their first report card on November 6th for this school year. Paper report cards are no longer distributed. Report cards can be found on your child's portal on the SIS Gateway Tile then under reports in the middle. Be sure to click TR1 then Reports. If you do not have a login, please email me directly at Kimberly.Rogers@palmbeachschools.org.



Now is a great time to schedule a parent/teacher conference with your child's teacher. Whether your child is meeting standards or not, find out about their strengths and weaknesses, behavior and how you can support them at home. The best way to contact the teacher is via email.

After School Program

Registration is Ongoing.....Registration Fee: \$25 per child

2023-2024 afterschool registration is now available online. <https://palmbeachcountyschools.reg.eleyo.com/> pick 2023-2024 school year and don't forget to choose Freedom Shores Elementary.

Tuition:

Reminder... November first installment is due by: Nov 2nd

November second installment is due by: Nov 15th



A little humor....

Why does a pilgrims pants always fall down?

Because he wears his belt buckle on his hat.

If April showers bring May flowers, what do May flowers bring?

Pilgrims

Why did the turkey play drums in the band?

Because he already had drumsticks.

Why didn't the turkey eat dessert?

He was already stuffed.

How do you keep a turkey in suspense?

I'll let you know next week!!

Did you know....

Americans feast on 535 pounds of turkey on Thanksgiving?

Domesticated turkeys cannot fly, however, wild turkeys can fly up to 55 miles per hour?

The heaviest turkey ever raised weighed 86 pounds?

Turkeys can drown if they look up when it rains?

President Lincoln established the original date for our Thanksgiving Day celebration in 1863?

The average person consumes 4,500 calories on Thanksgiving Day?

Turkeys are known to spend the night in trees?

Counselor's Corner

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Hello Parents and Guardians!

We want your child to be as successful as possible at school. Success in school is not just about reading and math. It is also about knowing how to learn and how to get along with others. In Classroom Guidance, we will be using the Second Step program to teach these critical skills. The Second Step program teaches skills in the following four areas: 1. Skills for Learning: Students gain skills to help themselves learn, including how to focus their attention, listen carefully, and be assertive when asking for help with schoolwork. 2. Empathy: Students learn to identify and understand their own and others' feelings. Students also learn how to take another's perspective and how to show compassion. 3. Emotion Management: Students learn specific skills for calming down when experiencing strong feelings, such as anxiety or anger. 4. Problem Solving: Students learn a process for solving problems with others in a positive way. Your child will be learning a lot this year—and he or she will need your help! If you have any questions about the Second Step program, please do not hesitate to contact us for more information. Thank you for supporting your child in learning the skills that lead to success in school and in life!

Your School Counselors,
Mrs. Heitz and Mrs. Briceno





Showcase of Schools

Showcase of Schools: The showcase of schools went live on October 17th. For more information, visit the district website. The Choice application opens for the 2023-2024 school year on November 1. If you plan on attending a choice program for middle school, make sure you apply as soon as possible.

Holiday Donations

The Boynton Beach Calvary Chapel and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority will donate Thanksgiving Baskets to several families in need. We thank them for always blessing our FSE families during the holidays!

We will also be starting the Giving Tree at the end of November. The Giving Tree helps us provide clothes and gifts to students in need. Please be on the lookout for a flyer in your child's folder for information on how you can help.





****Learning Disabilities and Dyslexia Awareness - Resources can be found here: <https://fndusa.org/> or <https://www.understood.org/en>.**



The Parent As Liaison (Pal)

***The Parent As Liaison (Pal) is Ms. Mary Black, you can reach her at: mary.black.c@palmbeachschools.org for assistance navigating during the ESE process. More information on Pals can be found here <https://www.fdlrsalpha.org/parent-services>.**



Child Find

***Child Find offers information and FREE SCREENINGS for children 3-5 years of age who may have difficulty with learning, speaking, playing, seeing, walking, and/or hearing. To begin the process, please call staff at: (561) 434-7337.**



If you have a concern or would like to share new information with the ESE team please contact Dr. Sharrié Vereen, ESE Coordinator at 561-804-3110 or sharrie.vereen-thomas@palmbeachschools.org



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Freedom Shores Elementary

PTO & VOLUNTEER

I wanted to take a moment to THANK everyone that volunteered yesterday and helped with the Harvest Dance!! This was our first one in 3 1/2 years, we had an amazing turnout!! We also had the most volunteers show up to help and support this event and I can't thank you all enough (sorry if I miss anyone- the crowd was huge- next time we need neon colors for volunteers to wear!!). Please bear with me as I thank each and every one of you!!

Some information about volunteering:
It is REQUIRED to have 10 Volunteer hours prior to chaperoning Field Trips or helping with Field Day! Also, you will not be able to volunteer in your own child's classroom.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOV 15TH – SAC MEETING at 7AM

NOV 15TH – PTO MEETING right after



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FOR MORE VOLUNTEER INFORMATION:
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DJ Ovcen: Thank you for donating your time and bringing the party to life!

Decorators: Angie Angelo, Lindsay Keyser, Barb Palmer, Carol Balet, Mrs. Tejada, Ms. Ceci, Ms. Lewicki, Ms. Roseman, Ms. Quinn, Gage Dery, Mr. Ovcen, Angelica Bondonese, Dr. Leicht, Ms. Kliskiak, Ms. Derojas (I'm sure there were more)

Our Bistro waitresses and waiters: Ms. Roseman, Ms. Lewicki, Mrs. Allegro (and son), Ms. Howard, Ms. Tringali, Ms. Zdieba, Ms. Salley, Ms. Bergeron (big baby Bergeron), Gage Dery, Angelica Bondonese, Mrs. Morrin

Dance Floor security guards: Mrs. Fuller, Mrs. Lanfranco, Cindy Dube, Mrs. DiMarco, Mrs. Rommy

Patrol Supervisors: Ms. DeRojas, Ms. Klisiak

Door bouncers(pre-order table): Ms. Hart, Mrs. Flick, Dr. Leicht, Ms. Quinn, Ms. North, Ms. Karpman

Our money table: Mrs. Dery, Mr. Abbott, Mr. Almonte

Audra: Running out and taking care of the Pizza

Dr. Vereen: Helping with letting in all the volunteers, offering 21 Century Kids to help with filling popcorn bags.

Front Office staff: Answering all the phone calls that came in with questions about the dance

Our AMAZING Admin: Sabatino and Rogers thank you for letting us host such a successful event and being there for support the entire time.

The amazing team that helped put this all together:

Cindy Dube, Lindsey Keiser, Daliana Lanfranco, Laura Fuller, Angelica Bondonese, Tiffany North.

Cindy Dube (parent volunteer)- Thank you for being my backbone through the whole planning of this event. Shopping for all the cotton candy/popcorn/drinks and even some decorations, and waiting in long lines dealing with tax exempt!!

Lindsay Keyser (parent volunteer)- Thank you for all your help planning, handling donations and keeping us on our toes to get the event set up perfectly and also setting up the amazon wishlist.

Daliana Lanfranco (staff)- Helping with anything I asked for and needed!!

Laura Fuller (staff)- Taking time out of your planning periods to stop by and offer you help.

Angelica Bondonese (parent volunteer)- All your input on the dance and donations!!

Tiffany North (parent volunteer)- All your input on the dance and donating all the juices!!!

Our AMAZING custodial staff- The dance wouldn't be possible without you from set up to clean up you guys did it all!!

Aftercare: Thank you for clearing the cafeteria early for us so we could host our event!!

School officer: Thank you for keeping us safe!

Those that donated (ALL decorations/ items for goodie bags etc were donated)

Lindsay Keiser, Cindy Dube, Carol Balet, Angelica Bondonese, Yesenia Bouza, Chavia Savage, Cara Moore, Michael LoBrutto, Cheri Rosen (our amazing aftercare)

All the extra volunteers that showed up and were ready to jump in to help at any time.

We may all be in different houses but you all really showed what it's like to be part of ONE big family!! (If I missed you I truly am sorry and just know that you are appreciated.. I couldn't have done it alone!!)

FOR MORE PTO INFORMATION:

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BACK TO
School

SCAN FOR HELPFUL PARENT LINKS

S.O.A.R



Will be updated as information comes out

Dual Language & Esol



Thank you to all of our 2nd through 5th grade students and teachers that participated in this year's LAS español. LAS Español is a Spanish language proficiency assessment that measures the speaking, listening, reading, writing, and comprehension skills of students. It helps teachers in Dual Language Programs in our school district track and monitor progress in attaining Spanish language proficiency. Individual reports will be available to each family later this school year.

On Thursday, November 16th, at 6:00 p.m. the ESOL Team will hold the first Parent Leadership Council Meeting for this school year. There will be important information about the ESOL Program/Dual Language, parent/student resources, Choice Program and more. We will be sending out the invites. Please plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

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Kindergarten:

It is hard to believe that November is here! As the leaves begin to change colors and fall from the trees, our Kindergarteners are falling for books! The process of learning to read continues to be the biggest goal for our students. As your child continues to learn and apply each new strategy to his or her reading, an amazing change takes place! The confidence of your child grows and changes and the desire to read becomes a priority for each child. Reading to your child and listening to them read to you each day sends them the message that reading is important to both of you! In math, we are introducing Addition to the sum of 10.

First Grade:

Hello first grade families, the first trimester is almost over!! Just a reminder, report cards will be in your child's portal tile under SIS (no hard copy). Please make sure your email address and phone numbers are updated. We want to make sure you're receiving all important calls and emails. Thank you for your support. We are so PROUD of all the hard work they are doing! In ELA we will begin Unit 3 in Benchmark: Being a Good Community Member. Students will read a variety of genres including: nonfiction, poetry, realistic fiction, and biographies. We will also be writing expository texts, which is research (main idea) and information (details) about a topic. At home, read/listen to a book for at least 15 minutes every day. In Math, we are going to work in Unit 5: Understanding the Meaning of an Equal Sign. At home, practice addition and subtraction facts and strategies to 20 and memorize the doubles facts. In Science, we will be in Unit 3: Needs of Living Things. At home, discuss the basic needs of animals/plants and what they need to survive. In Social Studies, we are continuing with Unit 2: Civics and Government. At home, talk about American Symbols, for example: bald eagle, flag. Statue of Liberty, etc...

Second Grade:

Happy November everyone! We cannot believe we are already in the second trimester of an incredible year. This month we have some very exciting events. We cannot wait for our field trip to the science museum on November 17th where we will discover more information about how we move our bodies. This month we are working on double digit subtraction and have been learning many methods to solve problems. In reading, we have been working on unit 3 which is all about government workers and the importance of having a government with rules to keep us safe. Ask your child what a smoke jumper does! Please continue to check blue communication folders for important events and homework. Do not forget about Thanksgiving break, we will be off November 20th - November 24th. Ms. Tringali, Ms. Roseman, Ms. Howard, Ms. Zdzieba, Ms. Willians, and Ms. Allegro want to wish you all a happy thanksgiving. We are all thankful for your students!!

Third Grade:

Hello 3rd Grade Families!

Just like that October is over, and Thanksgiving break is right around the corner. Our first-trimester report cards will be available in your student's portal on November 6, 2023. This month we have our Literacy Night which will take place on Thursday, November 16, at 6:30 p.m. We hope to see you there! Lastly, please make sure you continue to check your child's agenda and/or communication folder each night for homework and important information that may need to be signed and returned.

Fourth Grade:

Happy November 4th grade parents/guardians! This month we have a lot to look forward to such as American Heritage Month, report cards posting to SIS the 6th, Veterans Day the 11th, and Thanksgiving Break the 20th-24th. Thank you for your continued support with communicating with teachers and checking your child's communication folder for homework and notes home nightly.

Fifth Grade:

We have had a great start to our school year as the first trimester is coming to an end. The Fall Festival Dance was a lot of fun, glad to see so many students enjoying a night of dancing and hanging out with friends. In math it is very important that you know your multiplication facts, if you do not please have your child make flashcards at home. We will be having our Literacy Night on Thursday, November 16, it will be a night where you can learn different activities you can do at home to help with reading. It is very important to make sure you are checking your child's agenda nightly for homework and also for any important papers that are sent home. Every 5th grader should be reading nightly for 30 minutes. Enjoy your Thanksgiving break

ADVERTISE IN OUR NEWSLETTER! If you have a business and would like to advertise in our newsletter or have a banner on campus, Call or Email Audra at (561) 804-3114 audra.spurlin@palmbeachschools.org

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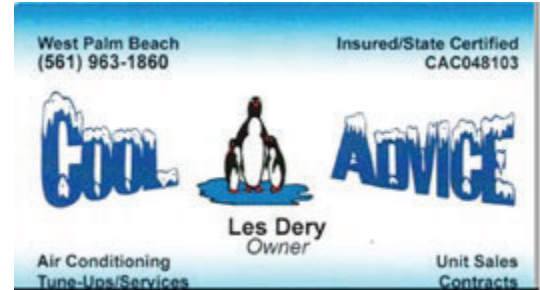
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MS. ALLEGRO'S CLASSES!!!!

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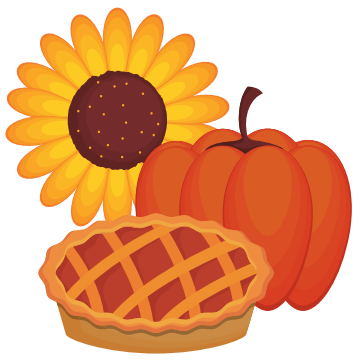
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NOVEMBER

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 No school Boystown Common Sense Parenting Program 5:30pm	2 Second Day of American Indian Heritage Month *Wear clothing to represent your culture*	3 Dollar, No Collar	4
5 Daylight Savings Time ends	6 Represent your house Holocaust Education Week National School Psychology Week	7	8 Boystown Common Sense Parenting Program 5:30pm	9	10 Dollar, No Collar	11
12	13 Represent your house.	14	15 SAC/PTO Meeting - 7am Boystown Common Sense Parenting Program 5:30pm	16 Ice cream truck during recess ESOL Parent Meeting - 6:00pm Literacy Night at 6:30pm	17 1st grade literacy breakfast Dollar, No Collar 2nd grade field trip- science museum	18
19	20 Thanksgiving Break	21	22 No School	23	24	25
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26	27 Represent your house.	28	29	30	Dec 1 2nd grade field trip- Kravis Center Dollar, No Collar 4th grade field trip- Kravis Center	