

Allamanda News

Allamanda Elementary Newsletter



A Message from Principal Ferrera

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday, I wanted to take a moment to express my gratitude and share some thoughts with our entire school community. Thanksgiving is a time for reflection, gratitude, and togetherness. Our school is a place where we come together to learn, grow, and build strong, supportive relationships with one another. It is in this spirit of unity and gratitude that we celebrate Thanksgiving.

I encourage all of our families to take a moment to reflect on the many things they are thankful for. Whether it's the love of family, the friendship of classmates, or the support of our dedicated teachers, there are countless reasons to be grateful. It is important to teach our children the value of gratitude and the joy that comes from giving thanks.

As we approach the Thanksgiving break, I would like to express my gratitude to our amazing staff, teachers, parents, and students for their continued dedication and support. Together, we create a nurturing and enriching environment where children can thrive and learn. I am thankful for the unwavering commitment and collaboration that make our school a wonderful place to be.

I wish each and every one of you a joyful and peaceful Thanksgiving. May this holiday be a time of warmth and connection with family and friends, and may we continue to grow together as a strong, compassionate school community.

Thank you for your partnership, and I look forward to the continued success and happiness of our students in the coming year.

Warmest regards,
Principal Ferrera



Newsletter Highlights

School Updates

Important dates & upcoming events

Adopt-A-Class



SCHOOL UPDATES

School Advisory Council (SAC)

We meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 2:30 p.m. in the Media Center.

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

~~December 20, 2023~~ (Cancelled)

January 17, 2024

February 21, 2024

Water Safety

Water safety is so important for everyone raising children in South Florida, that's why we are sharing the "Be Water Smart" booklets produced by the Drowning Prevention Coalition of Palm Beach County. Inside the booklet, you will find great safety tips as well as locations where you can get swim lessons. Here are the links for the various booklets in English, Spanish and Creole. The booklets were produced by the Drowning Prevention Coalition and it's partners.

<http://l.sdpbc.net/j6vvb> - Creole Booklet

<http://l.sdpbc.net/7chn5> - Spanish Booklet

<http://l.sdpbc.net/pfgt0> - English Booklet

Coollest Classroom Challenge

We have partnered up with Jeremiah's Italian Ice in Palm Beach Gardens to encourage all our students to come to school every day ready to learn! Every time a class has perfect attendance they will mark it on their classroom chart! Every time a class reaches 10 days of perfect attendance, they will be rewarded with a Jeremiah's Italian Ice Party for their whole class!

Yearbooks

Pre-order your yearbook now! The 2023-2024 Allamanda Yearbook is available for pre-order now!

To pre-order, go to

www.focusedonforever.com/yearbooks. All pre-orders will be paid online through the link. Cash or checks are not accepted for pre-orders.

Art Update

Congratulations to the following students for being selected for this year's Winter Art Dazzle virtual district art show:

Nash Stoker, Jackson Joyce, Evangeline Todd, Heatherlee Alvarez Boisvert, Sabine Carter, Melanie Ines, Nashley De Los Santos, Angelina Rodberg, Julian Corredor Parra, Isabella Parra Estrada, Jewelia Shavelson, Ellie Hill. Curren Miranda, and Sydney Guest. The Winter Virtual Art Show will be open for viewing on December 5th. Great job kids.

- Mrs. Lichtig

Dress Code

Please make sure that your student is coming to school in appropriate attire. Students should wear an Allamanda shirt, plain polo or plain t-shirt, with pants or shorts of an appropriate length. Students should always be in comfortable shoes for safety when they are actively running around at recess or PE. Remember, we are a health and wellness school. We get students moving as much as possible. Please send them to school in clothing that allows them to be comfortable and active every day.

PTO UPDATES

We are so excited to see a growing number of parents involved in PTO this year! If you are interested in finding out more about any of our PTO events and activities (Gingerbread night, teacher appreciation, family nights, etc) please join us at our next meeting or email allamandaPTO@gmail.com

SCHOOL UPDATES

Testing Dates

December 5th - K-2nd ELA

December 6th - 3rd-5th ELA

December 12th - K-2nd Math

December 13th - 3rd-5th Math

Please make sure all students are in attendance, arrive early to receive a free healthy breakfast, and are in their classroom by 8:00a.m.!

Coach's Speak

Allamanda students have been working on basketball skills this month during their P.E. time and have been doing a great job! As a reminder, students should always bring a water bottle to school everyday and wear sneakers on their P.E. day. Students need at least sixty minutes of physical activity each day and we are hoping that P.E. is just the start! We are always happy to hear about families being active together after school or on the weekends! Keep up the great work!

Character Now

We are continuing our Character Education Program in November. The month's character trait is "Being Responsible". Each teacher will nominate some who exhibit the qualities of a responsible student. Those students will get a shot out on morning announcements at the end of the month as well as a certificate and 20 swarm store tickets.

Winter Holiday Show

Our music program and drama club have teamed up this year for our first annual Performing Arts Winter Program. Please join us for a night of magical fun as our students demonstrate their music and performance skills with an adaptation of The Nutcracker Suite. This fantastic collaboration will include the chorus singing and drama club actors narrating and dancing. It will be a short, young-audience-friendly event!

First Grade Holiday Show

Our Allamanda first graders are working hard to prepare for their big holiday show. The First Grade Holiday Show will be on Friday, December 15th at 8:30am in Allamanda's cafeteria. A google form will be sent to parent emails so they can submit their RSVP for the show. We hope to see you there!

-The First Grade Teachers

Thanksgiving Meal Sites & Turkey Give-Aways

The Food Finder Map is updated weekly. Anyone looking for food or helping others find food is encouraged to search locations on the map. You can also get help finding food locations by calling 2-1-1.

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?>

[mid=1mKqslN49CLM8bXJWXF4ZnBC47gLNrhpN&femb=1&ll=26.779211099999973%2C-80.0569395&z=10](https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1mKqslN49CLM8bXJWXF4ZnBC47gLNrhpN&femb=1&ll=26.779211099999973%2C-80.0569395&z=10)

Family Resources for Wellness

<https://www.palmbeachschools.org/Domain/507>

Hello from the School Counselor!

Hi there! I am Mrs. Krupin and I am the School Counselor here at Allamanda Elementary. I offer short-term, solution focused services delivered through small group and individual counseling. If you have a child who could benefit from group or individual counseling, do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions.

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PTO INFO

Volunteer Opportunities Available

Email us at AllamandaPTO@gmail.com

for more info!

Next PTO Meeting: 1/10/24 @ 6:00 p.m.

Connect with us

Join our Facebook group -

Allamanda Elementary Parents,

Teachers & Guardians

Upcoming Events

11/20	Thanksgiving Holiday Break
11/27	Students Return to School
11/30	Picture Retakes
12/02	ACE Club (Location TBD)
12/04	Holiday Shop Opens
12/05	K, 1st & 2nd Grade ELA PM2 Assessment
12/06	3rd, 4th & 5th Grade Math PM2 Assessment
12/12	K, 1st & 2nd Grade Math PM2 Assessment
12/13	3rd, 4th & 5th Grade ELA PM2 Assessment
12/13	Gingerbread Family Night
12/14	Girl Scouts Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
12/15	1st Grade Holiday Show
12/19	Last Day to Donate Cookies for Staff Cookie Exchange
12/20	Holiday Music Show @ 6 p.m.
12/21	Kindergarten Holiday Party
12/22	Last Day of School Before Winter Break
1/09	Students Return to School
1/10	PTO Meeting @ 6 p.m.
1/15	No School - Holiday
1/22	Celebrate Literacy Week Begins
1/26	Class Picture Day
2/1	PoP Day of Awesomeness (rescheduled due to weather)



THANK YOU ADOPT-A-CLASS SPONSORS!

PLATINUM

Nana/Abuelo of Kate and Harper Frogge
The Hernandez Family
The Ratannaamorn Family
The Zwirz Family
Shantanu Dutta & Sushmita Dutta
The Siegfried Family
The Harden Family
The Tallaksen Family
The Elsner Family
The Bamman Family
The Blasband Family
Harlow Plunkett Family
The Young Family
The Mutchler Family
The Dean Family
The Braziel Family
Greyson Cusa-Keller
The Haas Family
Loor Custums Carpentry
The Borja Family
The Rodriguez Family
The Rodriguez Family (2nd Teacher Adopted!)
Michael and Nancy Naramore
The Rosson Family

PLATINUM

The Ballard Family
The Walker Family
The Kabir Family
The Vu Family
The Lacosta Family
The Mills Family
The Stoker Family
The Webb Family
The Trainer Family
The Carter Family
The Pierro Family
Walker Kelly Family
The Cashmere Family
The Floyd Family
Qian Yu and Wei Gao
The Stokey Family
The Bednar Family
The D'Ambrosio Family
The Seligman Family
The Villaescusa Family
Rick and Pam South
The Henderson Family
The Morris Family

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GOLD

The Austin Family
The St. Onge Family
The Grimmet Family
Team Bartnick
Ben Simanski
The Romero Family
Jennifer Limani & Aiden Bauer
The Toussaint Family
The Kingston Family
Binh Nguyen
The Dunlop Family
Swayze, Levashia, Diesel, and Brett Miller
Kelly Lunsford
Marcio Chavez
Ethan Johnson and family
Peyton Johnson and family
The Carestia Family
The Schmitt Family
The Rhude Family
Nathalie Miller
Miranda

SILVER

The Hormaza Family
The Gomez Family
The Wolfe Family
The Britt Family
The Menezes Family
The Chatelain Family
The Lima Family
The Guedes Family
The Burney Family
The MacNamara Family
Brinley Varner Family

BRONZE

Matthew Leiz
The Rafferty Family
Ruchama Moise
The St Louis Family
The Pera Torres Family
Pierre Eden Moise
Carley Thompson

If you are interested in adopting your child's class, please let your teacher know or call / visit the front office to get a PTO packet with Adopt-A-Class information.