Allamanda News

Allamanda Elementary Newsletter



A Message from Principal Ferrera

Dear Parents and Guardians.

I hope this letter finds you well. It is my pleasure to take a moment to reflect on the progress of our students as we reach the end of the first trimester. The first trimester has been filled with growth, enthusiasm, and dedication from both our students and our dedicated teaching staff.

One important aspect that I would like to address is the punctuality of our students. It is essential that students arrive on time for school every day. Punctuality sets a positive tone for the day, and it helps ensure that students are ready to make the most of their learning opportunities. We kindly request your continued support in ensuring your child arrives at school on time. Don't forget, every child has the opportunity for free breakfast in our cafeteria if they arrive between 7:30-7:55 a.m.!

Moreover, I would like to commend our students for their commitment to their studies. It is inspiring to see so many of them taking their lessons seriously and actively participating in class. Their engagement in classroom discussions, asking questions, and seeking help when needed is truly commendable. In line with our commitment to academic excellence, I also want to emphasize the importance of students working diligently on their iReady, Dreambox, Penda and Imagine Learning lessons, and I encourage you to support your child in completing their computer lessons and assignments promptly.

As we move forward, we will continue to provide a supportive and nurturing environment for our students to thrive. In partnership with you, we aim to ensure that every child reaches their full potential academically and personally. If you have any concerns or questions regarding your child's progress or if you need any assistance in helping them with their computer-based lessons, please do not hesitate to reach out to our teachers or staff. We are here to support your child's educational journey in every way we can. Thank you for your ongoing trust in our school and for your partnership in your child's education. Together, we will make this academic year a great success.

Warm regards,

Principal Corey Ferrera



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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: November 15, 2023 December 20, 2023

A Message from Our Music Department

Allamanda musicians are off to a great start this school year! Students in Wind Ensemble, Chorus, and Violin Ensemble music clubs are working on music for upcoming performances. Students in the new A.R.T.S initiative have begun learning to play their instruments during fine arts music. A.R.T.S. stands for "A Reason to Succeed" and is a new initiative across many schools in the district. The purpose of this initiative is to provide an opportunity for 4th and 5th graders to learn a band instrument during the school day. Ms. Cino and Ms. Thompson want to thank teachers, staff, and students for their efforts in helping to make this exciting experience happen.

A Message from Our Media Specialist

Oct 25th is the Fall Family Fun Fair with the Scholastic Book Fair opening from 2:30-7 p.m. Hands-on activities are from 5-7 p.m. Baked ziti starts at 4 p.m.

Please continue looking for any library books at home! The class with the best monthly circulation of books wins 5 swarm store tickets each. Congratulations to Ms. Warren's class for the month of September.

ALLAMANDA EXPECTATIONS & PROCEDURES

Please arrive no later than 7:55 a.m. to ensure all students are in their seats and ready to learn by 8 a.m.

New signs on all sides of our school campus are displayed. For our students' safety, please do not enter campus beyond these signs unless you are accompanied by an Allamanda staff member. We thank you for your patience and understanding with this safety precaution.

All students receive free breakfast and lunch in our cafeteria daily. Snacks are available for additional purchase at lunch time, and are limited to up to 2 per student. Breakfast starts at 7:30 a.m. Come early!

If you need to sign your child out early, please come before 1:15 p.m. Early dismissal closes at 1:15 p.m. in order for us to start preparing for school-wide dismissal.

All students are expected to wear their student ID badges. If your child loses theirs or has any concerns, please communicate that with your teacher and we will get them a new one.

PTO UPDATES

Our amazing PTO volunteers have stepped up in a huge way already this year! Thank you to everyone who comes to campus on Tuesdays and Thursdays for our new Copy & Print Station. Also, a big shout out to our Swarm Store volunteers! Thank you for your dedication to the success of our school and our students.

SCHOOL UPDATES

Flu Vaccine Clinic

We will host the annual flu clinic on our campus in November. Consent forms will be coming home in your child's backpack soon. You only need to return the form if you WANT your child to have the flu vaccine. If you do not wish for your child to get vaccinated, please do not return the form.

Allamanda's Swarm Store

The Swarm Store is a school-wide incentive program that encourages students to be Safe, Respectful, and Responsible. Teachers, staff & sometimes even the patrols have the ability to reward students with swarm store tickets when they see a child displaying the above behaviors. All the students have a dedicated wallet/pencil case to save their earnings. Students then get a chance to spend their tickets on their designated Wednesday mornings 7:30-7:55 a.m. (before school) as well as during their Wellness class during the last week of the month.

Ways parents can support the Swarm Store:

- Encourage kids to earn tickets
- Count tickets at home Tuesday night before Swarm Store on Wednesday morning
- Purchase new items for the Swarm Store that can range in value from \$1-\$100+ (from trinkets to scooters!)

Contact Ms. Abrams at Katharine.Abrams@palmbeachschools.org with any questions or donations!

Unity Day at Allamanda

We celebrated Unity Day on October 18th. This National Day of Unity is sponsored by Special Olympics, and their mission is to spread the message of acceptance and unity for ALL! Thank you to everyone who participated by wearing orange and adding their hand to our wall of unity.

5th Grade Families

Attention 5th grade families! Your students will have the opportunity to hear from local middle school Choice coordinators at the end of October during their fine arts classes. Our visitors will be sharing details about all of the available choice programs and how to apply. If you have any questions about middle school choice programs, please contact our Choice Coordinator Samantha.Kirby@palmbeachschools.org or the Choice Coordinator at the respective middle school.

Math Fluency Nights

Please join us for our Math Fluency Nights in November as we practice our math skills in a fun and engaging environment. Students will have the opportunity to play games with peers and teachers, and even take home kits to continue playing at home!

November 7: Kindergarten - 2nd Grade November 9: 3rd - 5th Grade

PTO INFO

Volunteer Opportunities Available

Email us at <u>AllamandaPTO@gmail.com</u> for more info!

Next PTO Meeting: 11/8 @ 6:00 p.m.

Connect with us

Join our Facebook group Allamanda Elementary Parents,
Teachers & Guardians

Upcoming Events

10/25 Book Fair / Family Night 10/26 Read for the Record 11/01 No School for Students (Professional Development Day) 11/01 Halloween Candy Collection Begins 11/03 Swarm Store Field Day 11/07 Math Fluency Family Night (K-2nd) 5:30-7 p.m. 11/08 PTO Meeting 6 p.m. 11/09 Math Fluency Family Night (3rd-5th) 5:30 - 7 p.m. 11/10 Veterans Day Concert (Students Only) 11/14 Day of Awesome Celebration for POP Fundraiser 11/15 Thanksgiving Staff Luncheon (PTO Volunteers Needed!) 11/15 Lindburgers Family Night Out 5:00 - 8:30 p.m. 11/16 Lindburgers Family Night Out 5:00 - 8:30 p.m. 11/20 Thanksgiving Holiday Break 11/27 Students return to School Picture retakes 11/30 12/04 Holiday Shop Opens! 12/06 PTO Meeting



THANK YOU ADOPT-A-CLASS SPONSORS!

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The Haas Family

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BRONZE

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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.