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North Grade K - 8 School Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

We hope everyone had a wonderful spring break. Students should now be rested and ready to finish out this school year. We have just 8 weeks of school left. Although the year is almost over, teaching all our students will continue until the very end.

Beginning in April, the standardized writing test for grades 4 through 8 begins. It is now more necessary than ever that your child comes to school every day for the whole day. We do bell-to-bell instruction so every hour of the school day is important. If your child attends tutoring, please be sure they are attending all the tutoring sessions. This is a valuable resource that could maximize your child's performance on the tests. Our goal is to teach your child the skills they need to know along with test-taking strategies.

We are hosting our Kindergarten Round-up this year on April 9th. This year for the first time we will have two sessions to make it more convenient for parents. We will have a session in the morning and one in the evening. See the Calendar of Events for the times.

On April 16th, we will be hosting our S.T.E.A.M. night. This is a fun, hands-on event that allows your child to explore the various aspects of science, math, and technology. It is a fun night for the whole family. We will be selling refreshments and snacks at the event. We hope to see you there.

Just a reminder, there is a spring holiday on April 10th. There is no school that day.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school. We strive to work in partnership with our parents.

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Calendar of Events ~ April

1	April Fool's Day
1	SAC Meeting ~8:15 am in Cafeteria
1	Middle School Report Card Portal Opens
1-12	B.E.S.T. Writing ~ Grades 4 - 8
9	Kindergarten Roundup @ 8:30 – 10:00 am In the Cafeteria
	Kindergarten Roundup @ 5:00 – 6:00 pm In the Cafeteria
10	Spring Holiday ~ No School
16	S.T.E.A.M. Night ~ 5:30 – 7:00 pm in the Cafeteria
22	Earth Day



Calendar of Events ~May

1-22	FAST & EOC Testing – Grade K-8
6	SAC Meeting ~8:15 am in Cafeteria
12	Mother's Day
27	Memorial Day ~ No School
30	Last Day of School



NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Our new reading unit is all about Earth Science: Weather and Seasons. We will be reading a variety of texts including informational, Fiction, Historical Fiction, Realistic Fiction, and Poetry. In writing we will be learning how to research a topic and write facts about that topic. We are on our way to independently writing a complete sentence that starts with a capital and has punctuation at the end. Math is moving on into identifying and describing 2 dimensional and 3 dimensional shapes.

FIRST GRADE NEWS

We hope everyone had a relaxing Spring Break. We're getting right back into the swing of things at school. At the beginning of this month, we'll be closing out our unit about the past, present, and future. We had fun learning about how technology has changed over time and are looking forward to our new unit which will teach us why the sun and moon capture our imagination. In math, we are comparing lengths and learning how to tell time. Please continue practicing reading at home with your child and helping them with homework!



SECOND GRADE NEWS

We are about halfway through Trimester 3 and the 2nd Graders are working so hard! In ELA we are in Unit 7 where we are Investigating the Past! Our reading stamina has grown tremendously so far this year as we continue to find new interests in the books we read! In Science, we are in Unit 8 where we are exploring and learning about Rocks Becoming Soil! In Math, we are in Unit 12 where we are learning all about Measuring Length! Please continue to monitor your child's backpack and stay in constant communication with your child's teacher, especially as the school year begins to wind down. We can't wait for even more learning and adventures in 2nd Grade!

THIRD GRADE NEWS

The third-grade team hopes that you had a great Spring Break. Now that we are back, we need to focus on our reading skills more than ever. We are now having double doses of reading each day to prepare the students even more for the upcoming tests. If your child attends after-school tutoring, please make sure he/she attends. At home, whenever you can, please review reading skills with your child.



FOURTH GRADE NEWS

It is hard to believe that it is already April. We enjoyed our Spring Break and Goofy Games and we are now back to working hard in all subjects. We are learning about the author's purpose while also learning about the Transcontinental Railroad in ELA, the rock cycle in science and division of fractions in math. We continue working on our essay writing skills and will be taking the writing test this month. While we are all looking forward to the end of the school year, we still have a lot to do before the end of May. Please remind your student to continue doing their assignments, to practice their math facts, read daily and to turn in their homework.

FIFTH GRADE NEWS

WOW! March sure flew by! We hope everyone had an enjoyable and relaxing Spring Break! The fifth graders had a great time on the field trip to Universal Studios! Thank you to everyone that attended and chaperoned. The Safety Patrols had a great time in Washington D.C. We are working hard getting our students ready for the testing season. They have been working hard all year, and it shows! We are finishing up our units in all subjects, and starting to review for our crunch time until testing!

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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SCHOOL INFORMATION



CHARACTER COUNTS

Welcome to March's Character Counts! These students have been nominated by their teachers for showing respect/being respectful the month of March.

Being respectful/showing respect means treating others the way you want to be treated, accepting differences, encouraging others, being polite, having self-control, being considerate, keeping areas clean, and dealing peacefully with anger, insults, and disagreements.

Please join us in congratulating our Character Counts Winners for March.

First Grade Winners:

Danyal Bektas, Zaiya Henry

Second Grade Winners:

Blake Knowlton, Abidah Uddin, Noemi Pablo Velasquez, Melany Jeronimo-Sales, Caterina Diaz Sales, Lily Guy

Third Grade Winners:

Emiliana Caballero, Tessa Hopkins, Julieth Moncada Guifarro, Victoria Sanchez Funez, Jessie Chay Chay, Alexander Velasquez, Victoria Arriete, Chelsea Mejia Rodriguez, Daisy Geronimo Torres, Amora Mendoza

Fourth Grade Winners:

Matilda Siegfried, Ameilya Pettis, Benjamin Al Jamal, Demetria Reese, Analia Gomez, Emmie Prout, Ernest Anderson

Fifth Grade Winners:

Chloe Csonka, Lumi Makela, Jay Herrera Yepes*

* Bike winner

Here are the teachers who won:

Ms. Campisi – Grade 1

Ms. Gonzales – Grade 3

Ms. Bailey – Grade 5



MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

The 2023-2024 school year is quickly moving into our final two months. It is amazing to see how much growth the students make during the course of one school year. I am looking forward to the excitement that is always a part of the last months of the school year. We will all continue to work hard as our students prepare to transition forward. It is a pleasure to be a part of your students' development.

We are now entering the time of year where the weather gets nice and students have a tougher time than usual staying focused on their academic responsibilities. Please continue to stress to your child the importance of taking responsibility for their academic achievement. The staff at NGK-8 will continue to work hard to provide your students with challenging and enjoyable learning experiences through the final days of the school year.

Quarter 3 has ended and grades are posted on SIS. Please take the time to look over this report and discuss your student's report card with them. If you have any questions, please contact the teacher or myself by either telephone or email. Parents can schedule Parent-Teacher Conferences if needed, teachers are always available to you.

I want to encourage you to be involved with your student and our school. With the students, parents, and school staff working together the North Grade K-8 School will continue to be a positive and caring learning community.



SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Clara, Mateus and Lorenzo competed in the 2024 Palm Beach County Games at Dwyer High School on Saturday, March 9th. They all did AMAZING! Clara and Lorenzo won both their events, the 50 Meter Run and the Softball Throw. This was Lorenzo's first Special Olympics competition, so winning both of his events was a great way to start! Mateus tried a new event this year, the running long jump. He jumped almost 10 feet to win 1st place. He also earned a 2nd place in the 200 Meter Run. Mr. & Mrs. Howard are so PROUD of their ATHLETES! The next track competition is April 14th at Traz Powell Stadium in Miami.



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SCHOOL WEBSITE

Our school website is the one-stop place for information about the school. You also can find the email address for any staff member here too. The web address to our web page is:

<https://www.palmbeachschools.org/NorthGradeK8>

Check out this page for information about the school and information from the District.



MEDIA CENTER NEWS

The media center is currently working on inventory. Please look around your house, vehicle, etc for any books that belong to the library and return them as soon as possible. If your child has misplaced a book, please send Ms. Abrams, school library media specialist, a Class Dojo message to discuss what can be done to satisfy the obligation. The media center is open each morning from 7:35am to 7:55am for book returns and there are return receptacles inside and outside of the media center for book returns, as well. Thank you for your time.



FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. Click on the link below.

<https://getfortifyfl.com/>



KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP

We invite you to attend our Kindergarten Round Up event on April 9th. We have a morning session at 8:30 am and an evening session at 5:00 pm. Come and meet our school staff, learn about kindergarten curriculum, understand how your child will be welcomed and nurtured, and get acquainted with our programs and services. Information about Kindergarten Round Up can be found at:

[Kindergarten Round Up Information](#)

Child must be 5 years old by September 1, 2024, in order to register.

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