

Meadow Park Eagle Tribune

March 2024 Edition

Updates from Mrs. Patrick, Principal

Meadow Park Families,

The safety of our students is our number one priority. I need your help! Please remember that students should not be dropped off at school prior to 7:30 a.m. unless your child attends a morning tutoring session. Staff are not on duty until 7:30 a.m. and I am very concerned someone is going to get injured.

Morning drop off does go very smoothly when everyone is following the expectations.

1. Drive all the way up to the white line where Officer Diaz and Ms. White stand.
2. Once the line stops, your child can get out of the car ANYWHERE along the sidewalk in front of the school
3. Only parents who drop off for PreK, staff and visitors should use the left lane.
4. Visitor parking spots are reserved for parents that need to go to the office. Please refrain from using these spots if you are not going into the building.
5. If you come after the 8:00 bell, you must park and sign your child in.

If everyone follows the expectations, there should be no line at 8:00 to cause your child to be late!

Thank you for your help in keeping our students safe!

Updates from Ms. White, Assistant Principal

Thank you to all of the families who came out to share their thoughts, ideas, and feedback during our SAC Meeting and Comprehensive Needs Assessment (CNA). They took their job very seriously! We've got some great ideas to help us develop our Title I Schoolwide Plan for School Year 2025!



Testing Updates

We are in the process of selecting specific grade level and content area dates for our Progress Monitoring 3 (PM3) State Assessments. First, our 4th and 5th grade students will take their Writing Assessment in early April. Students in Grades K-2 will assess Reading and Math during the month of April. Students in Grades 3-5 will assess Reading and Math during the month of May. In addition, 5th graders will take their State Science Assessment in May.

Updates from Mrs. Haag, SSCC

Students are currently finishing their literary units on Fables and Myths. They will soon be starting an informational unit which focuses on how the past influences the present. Please be sure to ask your child questions about how understanding and learning about the past helps us learn more about the future or even influences positive changes in the present and future.



Since our February Challenge was such a great success let's see what "twist" we can put on for March. Keeping in line with improving our writing skills as well as our social skills we can now include empathy with kindness. Every day instead of asking "how was school today?" please ask your child "who did you help today?" Students can write a short note telling who they helped and share it with their teacher or me! Their responses could sound like "I picked up a pencil for my friend", or "I held the door for my teacher" or "I wrote them a nice note." Let's promote how we can proactively be helpful at school, at home and in our community.

4th and 5th Grade students are taking the first of the State B.E.S.T assessments in the beginning of April, and yes it's the **Writing Assessment (which they have to type)**!

Updates from Mrs. MacCloud, Math Coach

- The Soaring Eagles are still making great strides in math! As a reminder, all of our second - fifth grade students have access to IXL, an online math platform that allows them to practice a variety of math skills and concepts. There are so many benefits to IXL, but one of my favorites is the video tutorials and explanations when students answer a question incorrectly.

Additionally, John Hopkins University just completed a study on IXL that found that students who consistently used IXL outperformed their peers who did not use IXL by over 10 points on

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standardized tests. I cannot emphasize enough how valuable this online math platform is for practicing math skills and concepts!

Science Fair Winners

Class Projects	
1st Place - K	Ms. Barnes class
1st Place - 1	Ms. Delgado's class
2nd Place - 1	Ms. Roche's class
3rd Place - 1	Ms. Portillo's class
1st Place - 2	Ms. Figueroa's class
2nd Place - 2	Ms. Marrin's class
3rd Place - 2	Ms. Tilley's class
1st Place - 3	Ms. Noakes' class
2nd Place - 3	Santamaria's class

Individual Projects					
1st Place - 3rd Grade Regular	Monserrat Jimenez	1st Place - 4th Grade Regular	Dylon Martens	1st Place - 5th Grade Regular	Georgia Esopakis
2nd Place - 3rd Grade Regular	Aurora Melendez	2nd Place - 4th Grade Regular	Christopher Farkas	2nd Place - 5th Grade Regular	Samantha Alvarez
3rd Place - 3rd Grade Regular	Charlotte Barbosa	3rd Place - 4th Grade Regular	Colton King	3rd Place - 5th Grade Regular	Emily Alonso - tie Trent Harvey - tie
1st Place - 3rd Grade Gifted	Elora Christensen	1st Place - 4th Grade Gifted	Olivia Zanardini		Jade Wise - tie
2nd Place - 3rd Grade Gifted	Ethan Dvorak	2nd Place - 4th Grade Gifted	Lainey Merten		
3rd Place - 3rd Grade Gifted	Adrian Lopez	3rd Place - 4th Grade Gifted	Connor Chalhub	1st Place - 5th Grade Gifted	Ariana Madera
				2nd Place - 5th Grade Gifted	Roy Barrientes - tie
1st Place - 3rd Grade Dual Language	Judah Borro	1st Place - 4th Grade Dual Language	Alessandro Perez		Michael Ramos - tie
2nd Place - 3rd Grade Dual Language	Adem Marke	2nd Place - 4th Grade Dual Language	Gavin Negri	3rd Place - 5th Grade Gifted	Omar Affholder
3rd Place - 3rd Grade Dual Language	Sophia Rodriguez	3rd Place - 4th Grade Dual Language	Lucas González		
				1st Place - 5th Grade Theme: Green	Harper Layton



Science Fair Winners!

The mother/son GLOW night was a huge success! Thank you to all of our amazing PTA Board, volunteer parents, teachers and administrators that helped make this event spectacular!

Special shoutouts to the dads that served food for BOTH dances, Maria for the wonderful balloon decorations, and the set up and clean up crew of parents and teachers.

We loved watching you all GLOW up the night!

We will be hosting our next General PTA meeting next Tuesday, March 5th in the Media Center at 5:30 pm. We have so many events still left to plan! Please come and help us plan the spring fling and teacher appreciation week.



Grade Level Updates

PreK

Another month has flown by so quickly!! We will “Welcome” March like a roaring Lion! Some of us in Pre-k are learning about Recycling and what can be recycled with our Frogstreet Pre-k Curriculum and others are learning about Rhymes.

We are still getting a lot of late students!! Please try to get here before 8:00 a.m. We have had a lot of busing issues getting here late in the morning and getting picked up late in the afternoon. We

have a bus driver shortage, so please have patience. We do let parents know when buses are late in the afternoon.

Kindergarten

Stories have a message. That has been our focus in literacy. We've read about characters that are small, just like us, that accomplish great things, by exhibiting perseverance and bravery. Math has challenged us as we continue to show all we know about numbers 11-20 and build our addition and subtraction fluency with sums and differences to 20.

"Good, better, best! Never let it rest until your good is better and your better is best." An encouraging poem with a powerful message as we prepare each day for First grade!



First Grade

Dr. Seuss Literacy Week

Who doesn't love a fable? First grade has been learning about different fables and how we can learn from mistakes...morals. e morning and picking up late in the afternoon. We are also continuing opinion writing. In math we are wrapping up our unit with adding 2 and 1 digit numbers to 100.

Second Grade

2nd grade is ready to add and subtract numbers within 1,000 in our upcoming unit in math! Please continue working with your child on adding and subtracting fluency. In reading, we are finishing up our unit involving folktales. We have been focusing on themes and summarizing main story elements.

Third Grade

3rd graders are working hard on fractions in Math! Unit 12 the students will keep learning more about fractions and also continue to practice their skills. Reading will continue with Unit 7 and the students will be learning about Communities now and in the past. The essential question is- What is a Community? Science is all about energy. Please have your 3rd grader do i-ready reading every night for 20 minutes.

Fourth Grade

Fourth grade is gearing up, working hard and getting ready for our FAST Writing in the upcoming months. Students are practicing writing an argumentative or expository essay for their test. As for Math, students will begin their decimal unit or geometry units. Geometry has a lot of vocabulary words that need to be memorized. Please have your child read nightly.

Fifth Grade

In Science, we had a fun Electric circuit review on Valentine's Day making cards using copper tape, lightbulbs and batteries. We are currently learning about our solar system. The students are working on recognizing what makes up a galaxy, the characteristics of inner/outer planets and our moon. In reading, students are deepening reading comprehension skills through a variety of texts that teaches them survival strategies used in different situations. In Math the students are wrapping up the unit on Geometry and will begin learning about measurement and data.

We encourage our fifth grade families and Meadow Park community to support our 5th graders and their end of the year activities by participating in our Domino's Pizza Card fundraiser.

Battle of the Books

Congratulations to team "Lightning Readers" who won our school Battle of the Books by answering 100 questions correctly in 20 minutes based on the 15 books they had read as a team. The team members are fifth graders Emily Alonso, Georgia Esopakis, Colbie Wilder, Harper Layton, and Lucas Ocampo Soto. All 6 teams who competed did an amazing job!



The Little Mermaid

Meadow Park Elementary School
Presents



Based on the Hans Christian Andersen story
and the Disney film

Starring our talented 4th & 5th Grade Chorus

7:00 pm in the school cafeteria
Doors open at 6:30

Friday, March 8th
Tuesday, March 12th
Thursday, March 14th

Tickets are \$5 (ages 5 & up)

Return your ticket order forms & payment to Ms. Berry!

Disney's *The Little Mermaid Jr.* is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, 421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019. Script, music and all other materials © 2010 Theatreworks Broadway Junior and MTT's Broadway Junior Collection are trademarks of Music Theatre International. All rights reserved.

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A STEM Choice School
The Little Mermaid T-shirt Order Form

Our wonderful performances of *The Little Mermaid* are coming soon, and to share in the fun, we invite you to order one of our Little Mermaid T-shirts. The shirt will be light blue with *The Little Mermaid Jr.* logo below in black. The shirts are regular cut with a round neckline. All proceeds go into the Disney fund at our school to pay for show licenses from MusicTheatre International, for scripts, & for materials needed (costumes, scenery, stage equipment, etc.) for this and future shows.



----- Please return to Coach Whitehurst -----

Please return this form & payment to **Coach Whitehurst** (cash or check made out to Meadow Park Elementary).

Student's (or Staff Member's) Name: _____

Homeroom Teacher: _____

Amount of payment attached: _____

Regular cut T-shirt with round neckline _____ x \$8 = \$ _____

___ Youth S ___ Youth M ___ Youth L ___ Youth XL

___ Adult S ___ Adult M ___ Adult L ___ Adult XL

(It may take a week or so for your shirt(s) to be sent home after payment.)

4Meadow Park Elementary School
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The Little Mermaid Shell Wand & Trident Order Form

Want a fun way for your child to participate in the excitement of our upcoming productions of *The Little Mermaid Jr.*? Order a shell wand or trident - they light up!



The wands have multi-color LED lights & several lighting modes!



The tridents have a beautiful blue glow!

-----Please return to Mrs. Barnes-----

Please return this form & payment to Mrs. Barnes (cash or check made out to Meadow Park Elementary).

Student's (or Adult's) Name: _____

Homeroom Teacher: _____ Amount of payment attached: _____

Wand ____ x \$5 = \$ _____ Trident ____ x \$5 = \$ _____

(It may take a week or so for your wands and tridents to be sent home after payment.)

Music

Our **Kindergarten** classes have been learning The Florida Alphabet song (ask your child to sing it with the words that were sent home). They also just started to learn the layout of piano keyboards, as well as how to play the melody of *Mary Had a Little Lamb* on the keyboards.

After learning about piano fingering and hand placement, **First Grade** has been learning to play both the left and right hand parts of *Mary Had a Little Lamb* on the keyboards.

Second Grade just finished a unit on opera, culminating in a visit from Palm Beach Opera's Director of Education and Community Engagement, Catherine Hughes, on February 6th (see photos below). Catherine read the story of *Hansel and Gretel*, as told in the opera of the same name by composer Engelbert Humperdinck. The kids got to sing along, create their own paper gingerbread houses, and take home a *Hansel and Gretel* book. They are currently starting to play on the keyboards.

Third Grade is finishing up their "Write your own rap" projects, using *Flocabulary's* lesson on Rhythm and Rhyme. The students work in pairs or groups of 3 to come up with an original poem that they then perform for their classmates using one of the backbeats of their choosing from the keyboards.

The **Fourth Grade** classes are in the process of learning to play *Beethoven's Ode to Joy* on the keyboards. They first learn to play the melody with their right hand, then the accompaniment with their left hand. Partners can then take turns playing the right hand while their partner plays the left

and vice versa. Eventually, the goal is to play the whole song with both hands together, and a lot of students are very close to achieving that goal!

Back by popular demand (for some students, but not all 😊), our **Fifth Graders** are honing their Recorder skills and trying to reach the coveted Black Belt status. Last month, they finished creating their original instrumental songs on the keyboards. Each composition was recorded; keep an eye out on ClassDojo for them.

Yearbooks for Sale

Don't forget to buy your yearbook for \$35.00. Also, you can personalize an ad to your student. You can pay online, or send in exact cash or a check made out to MPES.

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<https://shop.yearbookmarket.com/meadowparkelementary>

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Meadow Park Elementary School

Presale Price by	Regular Price after
12/22/2023	12/22/2023
\$30.00 each	\$35.00 each

Cash, Check or Pay Online:

<https://shop.yearbookmarket.com/meadowparkelementary>

Meadow Park Elementary School Order your full color YEARBOOK today!

You will have the opportunity to purchase a COLOR yearbook of your child's school. This yearbook provides your child with a lasting memory of all their classmates and their teacher. It also enables you to familiarize yourself with all of your child's friends.

Return payment and
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4/26/2024




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2. Return envelope to School.
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PARENT EMAIL _____ TEACHER _____

PARENT NAME _____ PHONE _____

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Character NOW!

Congratulations to all of our January: "Being Responsible" certificate & brag tag earners (pictured here)!! We appreciate the responsibility you demonstrate every day at Meadow Park. We are super excited to find out this Friday who our February: "Showing Kindness & Empathy" winners will be!! It's been so lovely watching students work to show their kindness & empathy toward each other. We've been learning that our words & actions impact others & how we treat one another matters. Looking ahead into March, our Character Now! Trait of the month is "Demonstrating Tolerance". We look forward to seeing all our Eagles demonstrate tolerance & acceptance all month long as we learn various ways to achieve this in our weekly guidance lessons.



STEM

Our Kindergarten and First Graders learned about Force and how the six Simple Machines make the amount of force needed easier with the use of them. They created catapults and learned the power of the lever! We hope they shared their designs with you at home!

Super STEM Stars Second Graders have been studying about Traits and how animals survive due to these special traits. The children created the "Who Am I?" animal game. They brought these home to share. Ask your child about the animals and their special traits! Challenge your child to describe offspring.

Thorough Third Graders studied balanced and unbalanced forces creating and designing card pyramid structures. They used the scientific method and had three trials observing how many cards and changes they needed to make for each trial. They were challenged to create a tall, square and freestyle structure. Some of the designs are below:



K-Kids

Our Busy Bees/K-Kids club has been busy with service work this month! We composed Kindness notes for every staff member. We have been preparing for our Walk For Autism on March 3rd at the Meyer Amphitheater. Registration and Vendor visits begin at 9:00. The walk itself which is along Flagler Drive begins at 10:00. We welcome all our Meadow Park families to join our team and take part in this important awareness and fundraising event! We are taking a group picture at 9:00 in front of Vendor 28. Please come and join us then! The link for our team is below:

http://act.autismspeaks.org/site/TR?team_id=177228&pg=team&fr_id=7342&et=hmJSp138BM32FEX2AA7WPzipJULbN7CsDqNLYmGmKfOY9Dd7yVe9eA

Additionally, we are preparing for the total eclipse coming on April 8th this year from 1:45-4:00 in our area. K-Kids are selling eclipse sunglasses to protect your eagle eyes for \$2.00. Proceeds will benefit STEM and K-Kids service projects. Flyers will be sent home this Friday if you wish to order your solar wear!

Transition to Kindergarten

Do you know an incoming Kindergarten student? Please share this information with their families! The Office of Early Childhood is conducting a Transition to Kindergarten webinar in English, Spanish and Creole for families to learn important information about Kindergarten registration and readiness skills. They will be sharing tons of community resources, grants to apply for and much more! Save the date: March 12, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. online!

Join by clicking this link: [MEET.GOOGLE.COM/EEZ-BOPU-QNC](https://www.palmbeachschools.org/EEZ-BOPU-QNC)

Meadow Park will be hosting Kindergarten Roundup on April 9, 2024. We will be offering 2 sessions: 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. A school tour will only be offered at the 6:00 p.m. session.

Click here for more information about registration: <https://www.palmbeachschools.org/Page/6884>

TRANSITION TO KINDERGARTEN

LUNCH AND LEARN



TUESDAY, 03/12/24



12:00 PM - 1:00 PM



**VIRTUAL EVENT - GOOGLE MEETING LINK:
MEET.GOOGLE.COM/EEZ-BOPU-QNC**



**DIAL-IN: (US) +1 657-233-0066, PIN: 748 221 490#
FOR MORE INFO, PLEASE CALL: 561-434-8533**

PLEASE JOIN US!

THIS WILL BE AN INFORMATIVE EVENT THAT
WILL COVER THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- How to Register Your Child for Kindergarten
- Preparing Your Child for Kindergarten
- Home School Partnership
- Ways to Support Your Child
- Attendance Matters
- Social Skills Support
- Sessions will be provided in English, Haitian Creole, and Spanish



TRANSICIÓN A KINDERGARTEN

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MARTES, 03/12/24



12:00 PM - 1:00 PM



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LLAME AL 561-434-8533

¡POR FAVOR ÚNANSE A NOSOTROS!

ESTE SERÁ UN EVENTO INFORMATIVO QUE CUBRIRÁ LOS SIGUIENTES TEMAS:

- Como registrar a su hijo(a) en kindergarten
- Preparando a su hijo para kindergarten
- Asociación de educación en el hogar
- Formas de apoyar a su hijo
- La asistencia es importante
- Apoyo para las habilidades sociales
- Las sesiones se ofrecerán inglés, español, criollo haitiano



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Important Upcoming Dates

March 7th, 12th and 14th Little Mermaid Performances

March 18-22 Spring Break No School

March 25 PDD- No School for Students

March 29 Holiday- No School

Event Information

SAC (School Advisory Council) Meeting

Our March Meeting was cancelled! We will see you in April for our next meeting!

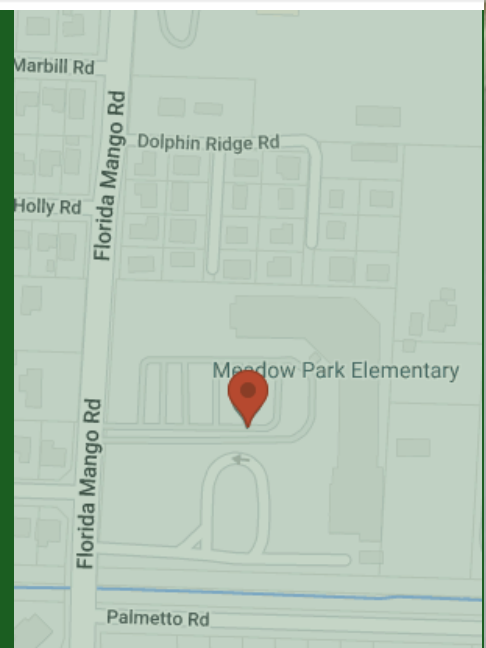
SAC Co-Chair: joanne.d'angelo@palmbeachschools.org

SAC Co-Chair: juliana.mercado@palmbeachschools.org

When?

Tuesday, Apr 16, 2024, 05:30 PM

Where?



Clue of the Month Hint



DID YOU FIND THE CLUE OF THE MONTH?

Your child can win a special prize if you find the clue in this newsletter and do what is asked. Read through the entire Eagle Tribune to find the clue. Hint: Look at Mrs. Haag's section!

Student ID Replacement Procedures

Since the School District incurs costs related to providing ID badges to students, a student's first replacement ID badge within the school year will be free of charge to the student. In the event that a student needs a replacement ID badge beyond the first replacement ID badge a fee may be imposed to cover the replacement costs directly related to the replacement ID badge.

If a student requires a replacement badge in excess of five times during the school year, the Principal or Assistant Principal is authorized to follow the established processes for the determination of consequences in compliance with the Student Code of Conduct Policies – Level 1 (5.1812 and 5.1813).

Students who have lost their ID more than one time are now being charged \$5.00. The \$5.00 replacement cost for a replacement badge will include a basic lanyard.

Help Keep Our School Safe!

It is important to remind students of the multiple ways to report bullying on campus and address what to do if they are experiencing any antisemitic incidents at school. The District has several ways a student can report bullying, and it goes directly to the principal of each school:

- The Bullying Hotline 561-434-8200- they can report by calling it in, and a taped recording is sent directly to the school principal.
- Go to ReportBully.PalmBeachSchools.org, which opens a form and sends it directly to the principal.
- Scan a QR Code from posters found on campus to get to the same reporting form

- A reporting form is also available from the Student Portal at sign-on.

You can access a copy of the sign below through the [Safe Schools Resource Center](#), which is available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and Haitian Creole. Please post them throughout your campus.

Important Documents

[Meadow Park Website](#)

[Meadow Park Calendar](#)

[School District Calendar](#)

[Code of Conduct](#)

[Student Technology Use](#)

[SIS Gateway](#)

[School Cash Online](#)

[FY24 Student and Family Handbook](#)

SEE SOMETHING. SAY SOMETHING. DO SOMETHING.



- INSTANTLY ALERT LAW ENFORCEMENT ABOUT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY & THREATS
- INCLUDE PHOTOS AND VIDEOS EASILY
- REMAIN ANONYMOUS

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Florida Abuse Hotline

<https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/abuse/abuse-hotline>

District Bullying Hotline

Report Anonymously

If you or someone you know is a target of bullying, abuse, mistreatment, harassment, threat or intimidation, let us know the name of your school and as many specifics of the situation as possible. Reporting is not tattling when the intention is to alert the teacher and/or administration of any harmful acts of mistreatment toward your child or others.

See Something, Say Something!

Bullying Report

OR

Call Bullying Hotline: (561) 434-8200



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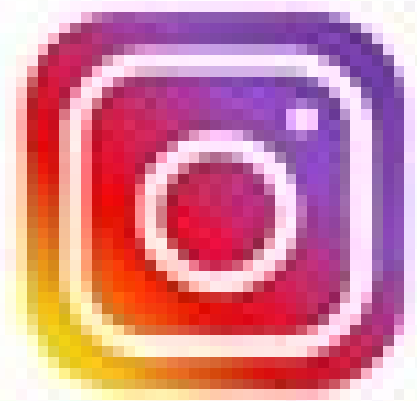
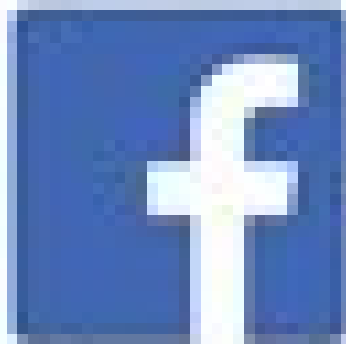
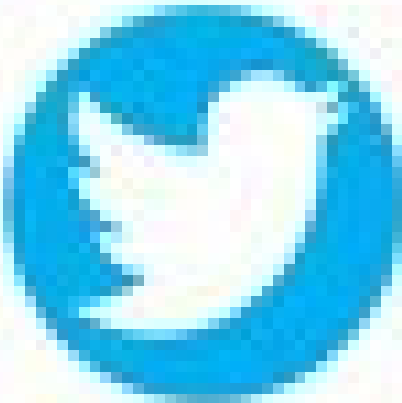
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Mrs. Patrick, Principal