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Principal

# Northmore Elementary School

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# Panther Parent News

January 2024 Edition



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Assistant Principal

## Message from Administration

Greetings Panther Families,

The administrative team would like to wish the Panther Family a **HAPPY NEW YEAR** as we enter 2024. We know that 2024 will be just as amazing, if not better, than 2023. After all, our students have been working extremely hard to be successful in their academics and we will continue to strive for excellence!

In order to ensure that all of our students meet academic excellence, we need them to be at school every day by 8:10 a.m., unless they are sick. This is very important so our students can continue to learn and show what they know on the final Progress Monitoring State Assessments in May!

### 2022 - 2023 SCHOOL GRADE

Because last year was the first year teaching our students using the new B.E.S.T. Florida Standards and having our students complete three separate administrations of the State Progress Monitoring Assessments in Reading and Mathematics (Fall, Winter and Spring), school grades from last year are baselines.

However, even though these school grades are baselines, we are happy to report that Northmore maintained a **“C”** letter grade! This is a huge accomplishment as there were many schools who dropped at least one letter grade. This just shows how phenomenal our students and teachers are! We are 100% **#PantherProud!**

### THANK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY

We are truly thankful for the members of our community for helping us by donating toys to our school. Our regular community partners were unable to donate toys this holiday season due to inflation. Because of this fact, we reached out to individuals, businesses and organizations within the community to donate toys. We received well over 700 toys! Because of this, every student was able to choose one toy to take home before leaving for Winter Break. Thank you so much to our staff members Mrs. Mayall, Mrs. Kilic and Mrs. Rowe for coordinating our toy drive.

Your Partners in Education,

*Mr. Cory A. Friess*, Principal

*Ms. Cindy Pedraza*, Assistant Principal



# SPECIAL EVENTS THIS MONTH



## SAC MEETING

Monday, January 22, 2024  
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.  
Located in the Cafeteria

### Topics Include:

- Principal's Report
- Assistant Principal's Report
- Title I Updates
- New Business
- Parent Academy: Reading Strategy
- Business Partners Report

## CLASS



**Wednesday, January 17, 2024**  
or  
**Thursday, January 18, 2024**

A flyer will be sent home with all students to let parents know which day their children will take their class pictures.



Please be on-time

# 8:10 a.m.

After 8:10 a.m.,  
You're Late!

**Wednesday, January 10, 2024**

3rd Grade and 5th Grade Math

**Thursday, January 11, 2024**

2nd Grade and 4th Grade Math

**Friday, January 12, 2024**

3rd and 5th Grade Reading

1st Grade Math

**Tuesday, January 16, 2024**

1st, 2nd and 4th Grade Reading

**Wednesday, January 10 - Wednesday, January 17, 2024**

Kindergarten Reading and Math





# TUTORIAL



We have many tutorial programs we will be facilitating starting in January. Students who are invited to attend tutorial need to attend every day. Remember, tutorial helps students strengthen their academic knowledge.

If you would like your child to attend tutorial but he/she was not invited, please contact Mrs. Granger to see if there is space available.

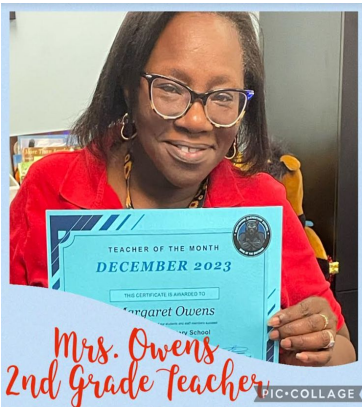
## Contact

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## Tutorial Programs

1st and 2nd Grade After School Tutorial  
3rd, 4th and 5th Grade After School Tutorial  
3rd, 4th and 5th Grade Saturday Tutorial  
3rd, 4th and 5th Grade Spring Break Boot Camp

## Teacher and Employee of the Month



Mrs. Margaret Owens is a veteran teacher who has taught at Northmore Elementary School for over 20 years and over 30 years in total. She earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Early Childhood Education (PreK - 3rd Grade), as she believes in helping students learn the foundational skills needed to be successful learners. Mrs. Owen's mantra is, "WE only win when EVERYONE is included!" When Mrs. Owens is not educating her students, she enjoys spending time with her husband and two adult sons, reading a good book, spending time with her mother and walking with her walking group.



Mrs. Jessica Winsor was born and raised in Western Massachusetts. Mrs. Windsor attended Keen University for her Bachelor's Degree and the University of Massachusetts for her Master's Degree. Mrs. Windsor has been working with children in the realm of Special Education since 2007. Fortunately for Northmore, she moved to Boynton Beach with her husband and son in 2017. Mrs. Windsor became part of the Northmore Family last school year as a Physical Needs Assistant. In her free time, Mrs. Windsor and her family enjoys spending time outdoors at many parks and beaches.