

# **Cholee Lake Elementary Tribune**

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#### PRINCIPALLY SPEAKING

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

We are closing in on being halfway done with the school year, and what a great year it has been so far. Your children have been working very hard and it has been fun to watch them improve academically. We are proud of the students and the learning that is taking place in the classrooms.

In February, the school hosted an Academic Game Night which was well attended by our school community. The students, parents and teachers engaged in hands on experiments and played academic based games. On March 7, 2024, we held a FAST Parent Training Night event which provided parents the opportunity to gain information about the ELA, Math and Science FSA Assessment. Teachers reviewed strategies and shared resources that parents could utilize to help their child at home. Parents were provided with an opportunity to learn strategies the teachers are utilizing in the classroom to teach the various skills for students' success. Parents were given an opportunity to ask questions and receive answers about the curriculum and the assessment.

We are entering the FAST/Star Assessment window and teachers have started reteaching the standards to ensure students are ready for the assessments. It is imperative that students attend school daily. When students miss school, they are missing valuable information. Please ensure your child is here on time for school each day. On Tuesday, April 16, 2024 and Wednesday, April 17, 2024, our students in kindergarten through second grade will be completing the ELA Assessment. On Tuesday, April 23, 2024 and Wednesday, April 24, 2024 the students will be completing the math assessment. It is imperative that all students attend school on those testing days.

The second round of Parent University has started. We are eager to provide our non-English speaking parents with classes that will help them to learn the English Language. Classes are offered each week on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. If you would like to take part in this program, please contact Mr. Rodriguez at (561) -383-9600 for more information.

Please visit our school's website at: https://cles.palmbeachschools.org, for announcements and celebrations. In addition, please contact your child's teacher and/or front office staff with any question or concerns. The school's number is: 561-383-9600.

## From the Desk of Kerryann Nelson, Assistant Principal

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all of your support with ensuring students arrive to school each day on time. Please remember students must adhere to the uniform dress code policy at Cholee. Students can only wear jeans on Fridays with a school spirit shirt or a uniform top. There should be no rips or holes in the jeans. If you have any further questions or concerns about the school uniform policy, please contact the school. I look forward to a continued productive school year!



## **Upcoming Events**

## No School on the Following Days:

- 3/15/24-3/25/24 (Spring Break)
- 3/30/24
- 4/10/24

#### FSA Writing Testing Dates for Grades 4 and 5

• 4/2/24-4/4/24

#### FAST ELA and Math Testing Dates for Grades K-2

- 4/16/24
- 4/17/24
- 4/23/24
- 4/24/24



Happy Spring from your School Counseling Department!

Currently in my S.L.L classes, students are learning how to work as a team and how to communicate with others in a kind way. They are also learning how to cooperate in a group fairly. I am looking forward to teaching them about friendship and caring in the next few weeks. "Keep Going, Keep Shining!"



Fortify Florida See Something, Hear Something, Say Something!







#### News from Pre-K

We are about to start a new unit about gardens and the living things within them. Throughout the unit, the students will learn about what plants need to grow, what creatures live in it, and how people grow gardens for food. The books and lessons will focus on learning information from and creating information texts. They will learn sequencing and to form opinion. They will write about their observations of growing seeds in their science journals. Additionally, they will build on concepts of letters and sounds as they blend sounds together into words, consider social problems and how to cooperate, and explore shapes by further learning about their attributes.

#### News from Kindergarten

Thank you so much parents for always showing support to the teachers. Please check your child's backpack as trimester 2 report cards have been sent home. Please review, sign and return the yellow envelope to school. Please reach out to your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns. Also, Spring break is right around the corner and we want to encourage you to continue to practice reading and math skills at home. In order to help with that, teachers will be sending home a "Spring Packet" that will include activities for reading and math.

#### **News from 1st Grade**

Parents, I want to thank you for all of your support thus far this school year. The first-grade teachers have seen great improvements in our students' academics. We are asking you to ensure that your child arrives to school on time each day. Please have your child read each night for at least thirty minutes. Also, students should be practicing adding numbers within 20. We thank you for all you do and we are looking forward to seeing you in our upcoming parent conference.

#### **News from 2nd Grade**

It is hard to believe that we have begun the third and last trimester of school this year. The next few months are packed with new units of study and increasing academic expectations of our students. It's an exciting time for us because our second-grade students have grown tremendously as they work hard to meet their goals. We always appreciate parent support and involvement. Please encourage your child to read as many books as possible at home.

### News from 3rd Grade

The third-grade students have worked so hard this school year. It's been an amazing school year and we can't believe we only have a few months before summer. In reading, our students have excelled in the B.E.S.T. reading standards in both fiction and nonfiction texts. In math, our third graders have been working on mastering multiplication, division, and learning about time and temperature. Please make sure your student is reading and practicing multiplication and division at home every night. Thank you for all of your support throughout this school year!

#### News from 4th Grade

The fourth-grade students are working hard learning all about fraction and decimals equivalents, and geometry. We are also focused on fine tuning our writing in preparation for our State Writing Assessment in early April. We continue to sharpen our reading skills in preparation for our PM3. Lastly, in social studies we are learning about the contributions of women in history.

#### **News from 5th Grade**

We can't believe it's already almost April and that means our Fifth Graders are getting closer to taking their last FAST test in Reading, Writing, Math, and Science for the 2023-2024 school year. Our Fifth Graders will be taking their Writing test the first week of April and the rest of the FAST tests will be administered soon after. Please note the dates of your child's FAST tests and ensure they are well rested and are present each day of testing. We know they have been working hard in groups, participating in standard based labs, going on educational field trips, and completing standard based assessments with fidelity. We thank you for your continued support and can't wait to see our Fifth Graders shine!