

# Forest Hill Elementary

Kindergarten Roundup April 9th, 2024





# **About Forest Hill Elementary**









#### Administration



Scott McNichols
Principal



Leah Rock Assistant Principal

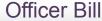




### **School Safety**

- Secure building with controlled access (single point of entry)
- Trained school police officer on campus
- Regular safety drills throughout the school year
- Safety procedures for student drop-off and pick-up
- Open Communication with all safety matters is important!







### **Guidance Team**



Ms. Echlund



Ms. Eloisin

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# Front Office



Ms. Torres



Ms. Bacas





# Community Language Facilitators



Ms. Torres



Mr. Phil



Ms. Villatoro





# Meet Nurse Nancy!







# Registration

- Health forms must be from a Florida doctor
  - a. Form DH680 for vaccinations
  - b. Form DH3040 for physical exam (both sides filled out)
- 2. The 2 proofs of address
  - a. Must be under the name of one of the parents/guardians.
  - b. If no proof can be given, then an Affidavit of Residence must be signed and notarized.
- 3. For proof of birth
  - Birth certificates are preferred over passports but both are valid.

**Online Registration** will be available for any student new to Palm Beach County.

- If the child has never been enrolled in a public, private, or charter school then they are eligible.
- If parents are not sure, the website will tell them if they have to fill out a paper registration or not









# **English Language Learners Services (ELL)**

ESOL - English for Speakers of Other Languages is a federally funded program. Its purpose is to ensure that students who are not proficient in the English language are afforded an education equal to students who are proficient in English.

For more information, contact Ms. Edwards at email:

lora.edwards@palmbeachschools.org



Ms. Edwards
ESOL Coordinator

# **Exceptional Student Services (ESE)**

We provide a variety of Exceptional Student Education (ESE) services here on Campus. A few ESE services provided are:

- Speech Impaired
- Language Impaired
- Developmentally Delayed
- Specific Learning Disabled
- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Emotional Behavior Disabled
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy

For more information, contact Mr. Starr at 561-432-2337 email: duane.starr@palmbeachschools.org

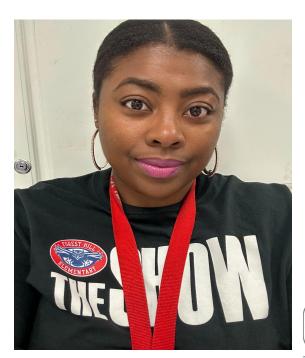


Mr. Starr ESE Coordinator

#### Meet our teachers



Ms. Ortiz



Ms. Martinez





# Meet our teachers



Ms. Ramos



Ms. Fontanez





#### Meet our teachers



Ms. Roye



Ms. Davis



Ms. Rejas

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#### Meet our Fine Art Teachers



Ms. Lohmeyer Music



Ms. Skeberis STEM



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#### Meet our Fine Art Teachers



Ms. Gavino Media



Ms. Mark Science Lab



Ms. O'bryant Guidance



Ms. Hamlin THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

# **Kindergarten Curriculum**

- Language arts: Reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills
- Mathematics: Counting, geometry, number sense, algebraic thinking, measurement/data, and problem-solving
- Science: Exploration of the natural world through hands-on activities
- Social Studies: Building an understanding of our community and the world
- Skills for Learning & Life (SLL): self-awareness &
   self-management, communication, and collaboration skills



# Reading







### **Phonics**





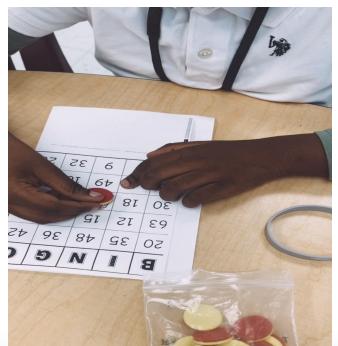
# Writing

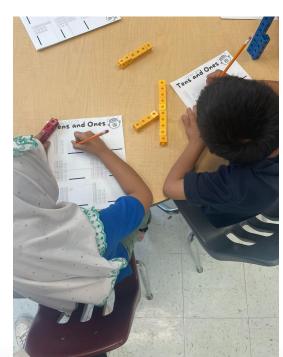




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# Math









#### **Fine Arts**







# The Kindergarten Day

- Morning arrival
  - cars, walkers, bus riders, bike
- Breakfast time
- Fine Arts offered
- Lunch
- Recess
- Dismissal (Cars, walkers, bus riders, bike)

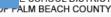




### 10 Things to Help Prepare Your Child for Kindergarten

- 1. Recognizes first and last name in print and can write first and last name
- 2. Names most upper and lowercase letters
- 3. Recognizes most letter sounds
- 4. Asks and answers questions about a story or book
- 5. Recognizes simple rhyming words (hat-cat)
- 6. Names and writes numerals 1-30
- 7. Identifies basic shapes (circle, square, triangle, rectangle)
- 8. Creates small sets of objects (groups items and identifies how many)
- 9. Recognizes and controls own behavior
- 10. Attends to a task for up to 5 minutes







# Ways to Support Your Child's Learning at Home

#### **Transition to Kindergarten Readiness Kits**





Unpacking the Kindergarten Readiness Kits



# The Importance of Self-Care Before Kindergarten

- Dress Self-take the time now to practice dressing so that your child is comfortable changing their clothes in case of an accident
- Use the bathroom independently
- Navigate zippers and buttons-these two skills are necessary when using the bathroom, as well as opening and closing a backpack or lunchbox
- Open containers and straws-whether your child is buying lunch or bringing their own, it is important that they be able to open containers, packages, and straws
- Clean up-it is important that your child practices cleaning up their items from recess and lunch
- BONUS-Tie their shoes





#### **Communication and Collaboration**

- Regular communication through newsletters and emails
- Parent-teacher conferences
- Always contact the teacher first before contacting administration with concerns, allow the teacher the opportunity to address the issue and if not resolved contact administration



- Strong PTA/PTO involvement (encourage parents to join)
- School Advisory Council monthly meetings that allow for parent/community input



#### Ways to Support Your Child

- Attendance Matters! Send your child to school every day prepared and ready to learn.
- Read, Read! 15 minutes of reading to and with your child (in any language) will greatly increase comprehension.
- Make time to talk about their school day and listen to concerns.
- Talk to your child about his or her responsibilities as a student.
- Teach children to work hard and ask for help when needed.
- Seek help early from teachers and school staff if you notice problems.
- Hold your child accountable for his or her responsibilities.



#### **Attendance Matters**

Missing 2 days of school per month from Kindergarten - 12th Grade

= 108 hours per year

= 11 months

= over 1 school year lost





# **Uniform Policy**

**DRESS CODE - STUDENTS** 

Shirts: Solid colored polo shirts (preferably red, white, or blue) with no logos, except the school logo.

Boys: Pants or shorts in khaki, navy, or black.

Girls: Pants, shorts, skirts or jumpers in the same colors.



# **Aftercare Program**



Ms.Kamille Director

For more information, contact Ms.Kamille at 561-432-2330 email: kamille.bailey-anderson@ palmbeachschools.org

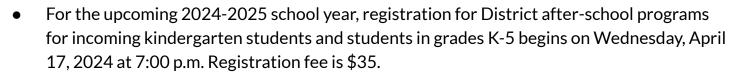


Ms.Nyree Activity Leader



# **Aftercare Program**

- Provides a safe and enriching environment
- Offers a variety of activities for students



- Parents can register for an after-school program by visiting the <u>online registration portal</u>.
   <u>Eleyo</u> to submit an afterschool program registration contract request. Enrollment can be requested for all grade levels.
- Once a contract request has been submitted, it will be reviewed by the afterschool director. Submitting a contract request does not guarantee enrollment into a program.
   Acceptance into an afterschool program is determined by the number of slots available, on a first-come, first-served basis. Upon approval of your contract request, you will be notified via email. Sites will notify any parent who is on the waitlist, by Friday, May 10





# Thank you for attending!

- If you have additional questions please contact Ms. Morales at 561-432-2304
- Aftercare, contact Ms. Kamille at 561-432-2330

