

January 25, 2024

# PARKWAY PANTHER PRESS

*I wanted to thank the Glendale River-Hills school community for their ongoing support, prayers and positive vibes as my husband experienced a stroke in December. Please note, I am at Parkway on a daily basis, and I am in communication with staff, students and families. However, there will be times when I am away from the office to help support him with his recovery process. During these time frames, the Associate Principal, Mr. Ryan Kroeger will continue to be the lead administrator and will be available to help assist the staff, students and their families. Please note, I continue to be dedicated to the staff and students at Parkway, to our Parkway families and the larger Glendale River-Hills community. Please continue to call or email me should you have any questions or need any support or assistance.*

Thanks,  
Dr. Smith



## Gymnastics Performances

Our Gymnastics performances were a huge success! The students did an amazing job demonstrating what they've learned during the unit in their final performance. I want to thank volunteers and caretakers for supporting our Parkway students.



## Our early childhood

friends enjoyed movement activities and obstacle courses designed to strengthen their gross motor skills. The sound of students' laughing, the joy of sharing and the beauty of cooperation were all admirable skills that the students are both learning and demonstrating.



## SEL Classes

In our SEL classes, students had the opportunity to learn about healthy lifestyles through being introduced to healthy snacks and the choices they can make when it comes to food consumption. Ms. Hess, our school nurse, engaged the students in interactive activities designed to help them reflect on the power and impact that foods containing a lot of sugar can have on us when compared to other foods and snacks with less sugar. The lessons also featured important life skills and concepts such as making good choices, establishing a level of ownership and responsibility around what we eat and drink and fostering a level of independence.



This year's Summer Academy will take place between June 24-July 25, 2024. This (5) week program will take place four days a week, Monday-Thursday from 8:30AM-12:00PM. Please note, students will not be in attendance on July 4th. If you are interested in this year's SA program, it is free for in-district students and the registration process will occur between May



Our 3rd grade friends in Ms. Marks' class published their first book about their classroom fish, Jelly Belly. The book is a compilation of the students' experiences, thoughts and sentiments related to their special classroom friend, Jelly Belly.



A special update for our K4 families. Please note, there has been an adjustment to the K4 Grading Timeline. On

Monday, January 29th K4 Report Cards will be visible to families.



Please take a moment to label your students' clothing, winter gear, lunch boxes etc. As our Lost & Found continues to grow with unclaimed items, hopefully, a gentle reminder to label your student's items will allow us to easily locate the owner of items that arrive in the Lost & Found.

## Caregiver Monthly Calendar

February 2024						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2 SWMM Spirit Day: Character Day	3
4	5	6	7	8 PTO Meeting Glen-Hills Library 6-7pm	9 Crew Time	10
11	12	13 Friday AA Schedule	14	15	16 NO SCHOOL- PD	17
18	19 NO SCHOOL- PD	20	21 School Board Meeting 6:30-8:30pm	22	23 PALS	24
25	26	27 Multilingual Family Event 5:30-7:30pm	28 Sandwich Supply Drop-off (Day 1)	29 Black History Month Program 6-7pm Sandwich Supply Drop-off (Day 2) *please send in by noon)		

Important Dates

**NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

- PD Days -  
January 26th  
February 16 & 19th

