



**PINEY WOODS**  
ELEMENTARY

# Piney Woods PRESS

School Newsletter  
2024-2025

#PURPLEMARTINPRIDE

Home of the Purple Martins

December 9, 2024

## Mark Your Calendar

### This Week

**Dec. 9-** Dress like a snowman

December 10-MAP Math 1st & 2nd grade

December 11-MAP Math 3rd & 4th grade

**Dec. 12-**Holiday Headgear

**Dec. 13-**Wear PJs to school

### Looking Ahead...

December 16-20 Murray's Merry Markey (see flyer)

**Dec. 17-** Tacky Christmas Sweater

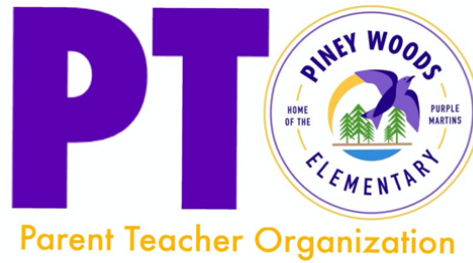
**Dec. 18-**Flannel Day

**Dec. 19-**Wear Workout clothes

**Dec. 20-**PWES spirit day-wear school spirit  
[PWES Calendar for 2024-2025](#)

## Stay Informed

- ★ **Parent Survey**-PWES would love parent input about how we are doing this school year. Please fill out [this survey](#) by Friday, January 10th. We truly appreciate you and your feedback!
- ★ **MAP Winter Testing**-will continue this week. Please make sure your child comes to school on the day of testing with a charged chromebook and fully rested! The dates each grade level will be testing is mentioned above.
- ★ **2024 Instructional Materials Public Review**-The public is invited to review textbooks and instructional materials that have been proposed for use in South Carolina's public schools. The materials will be on display at seven locations from November 18, 2024-January 3, 2025, with instructions for submitting comments available at each site. Click [HERE](#) to view the memo for textbook and instructional material review.
- ★ **Snack Shack**- You can purchase Ice Cream Tickets for \$.75 each or Snack Shack Tickets for \$1.00 each to use for birthday parties or other events. If you would like to purchase tickets please contact Angie Schuster at [aschuster@lexrich5.org](mailto:aschuster@lexrich5.org) at least two days in advance.



Thank you to our December Business Partner:



- Join the PTO for **FREE** here: <https://pwes.ptboard.com>
- Have questions? Reach out via email to - [pineywoodspto@gmail.com](mailto:pineywoodspto@gmail.com)

## School Information

### School Hours:

Arrival: 7:00-7:35am

**School Day:** 7:40 am - 2:30 pm

Dismissal: 2:30pm

School Office Hours: 7:00am-4:00pm

PWES Calendar can be found [here](#).

### PWES Cafe Information

**PWES Cafeteria website**

[Lunch/Breakfast Menu](#)

Click [here](#) to get the Mobile Menu App

Student Lunch Accounts: Click [here](#) to add money to your child's k12 lunch account

\*To apply for meal benefits, please CLICK [HERE!](#)

## Family Resources

- [iFive Instructional Technology Initiative](#): learn more about instructional technology in our district.
- [Parent and Student Handbook](#)
- [Student Quick Pay](#) - online fee payment system
- [Student Attendance Excuse Form](#)
- [K-5 Proficiency Expectations](#)
- [SC Family Friendly Standards](#)

Stay Connected

[www.lexrich5.org/pwes](http://www.lexrich5.org/pwes)



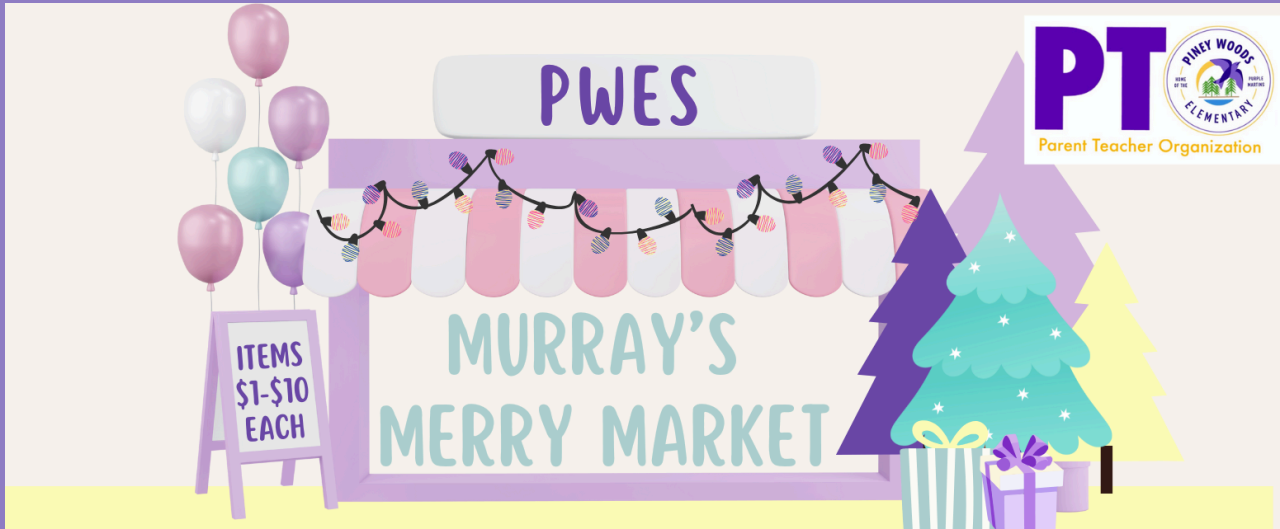
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# Piney Woods FLYERS

See the following pages for this week's flyers:



**\*\*\*Parents do not attend this school day event.** All students will have an opportunity to visit with their class and can go back during open shopping if they forget something. Remember, this is their shopping day for gifts for the family! Don't worry...we will have volunteers to help them as they shop!



During classes the week of December 16-20



Students are invited to shop for friends and family. Homeroom Teachers will notify families of their shopping date & time. Budget envelopes are attached to this flyer. Please complete the budget envelope with your student. All items \$1-10 each and will be gift wrapped.



All students will have the opportunity to preview the market on Friday, Dec. 13th with their class. This will help them to have an idea of what they would like to purchase before their class shopping day.

### Thank you to our Diamond & Platinum Business Sponsors



We need volunteers!  
Sign up online: <https://pwes.ptboard.com>



*Virtual Events!*

# MENTAL HEALTH SERIES DECEMBER



EDUCATE • INFORM • EMPOWER

### WHAT YOU NEED - WHEN YOU NEED IT - HOW YOU NEED IT

Join our LIVE caregiver webinars developed by licensed therapists.

- Events are virtual, interactive, and designed to help caregivers support their child.
- Registration, attendance, and interactions are anonymous from other viewers.



Start Times: 7:00 & 9:00 pm ET

To Register for ANY topic - scan or go to:

<https://parentguidance.org/mhsindex>

MON	TUE	WED	THU
2 Navigating Divorce When Children Are Involved	3 Body Image - Loving the Skin You're In	4 Emotional Regulation: Recognizing What's Wrong	5 Your Child's Anxiety
9 Establishing Healthy Boundaries	10 Grief: The Healing Process After Loss	11 Building Your Child's Confidence	12 Depression: You're Not Alone
16 Understanding Eating Disorders	17 Compassionate Parenting & Self-Compassion	18 What Parents Need to Know About Suicide Prevention	19 Social Media: Protecting Your Child
23	24	25	26

Or register at  
<https://parentguidance.org/mhsindex>

For registration support, contact:  
[info@cookcenter.org](mailto:info@cookcenter.org)

**Dec 11th**  
**Ask a Therapist LIVE**  
**Registration**  
**8:00 PM EST**



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916 MT. VERNON CHURCH RD

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12TH FROM 5-7PM

Annual  
Holiday  
TREE  
FESTIVAL

Cookies & Cocoa

Kids Welcome

VOTE FOR  
YOUR FAVORITE  
TREE THROUGH  
CASH CHARITY  
DONATIONS

Fun+Games

Visit The Grinch