



April 2025

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Principal's Message

MPE Pelican Families,

March was a busy month filled with rigorous quality instruction, fun, and educational activities! Spring is here, that is evident! Let us capitalize on students' enthusiasm as well as motivate them to focus in the 4th Quarter in order to reach their highest potential. Continue to encourage your child to make good choices, complete home and class assignments, and always do their best.

Many thanks to those who participated in PTO's Cake Bingo Night and all those Pelican families that attended to make it a huge success! According to PTO, "The feedback from Cake Bingo has been amazing! Everyone is saying how much they enjoyed it, how fun it was, and how much they appreciated being back in person. We had 420 attendees and sold 550 Bingo cards. The 50/50 winner took home \$587 (total was \$1,175). The local business gift bundle was also ALL donated, which was over \$800 worth of gift cards and merchandise. It was a wonderful night of family fun that fostered our home and school relationships!

I would like to thank our PTO board for their continuous commitment to the students and staff at MPE: Sarah Sacra, Pamela Petit, Madison Pigford, Megan Daigle, Karen Muller, Stephanie Smith, Katie Ayo, Leslie Ledbetter, Nicole Noel, Kellie Vila, Jovan Jenkins, Hascal Berteau, Kristina Brown, Dwayne Washington, and Simone Bourg. Their tireless work has resulted in exciting school events and profitable fundraising, along with treats and meals. Their dedication is commendable, admirable, and unmatched! Thanks to each board member for their generous donation of time, commitment and willingness to ALWAYS meet the needs of students and staff!

The last two months of the school year are extremely busy. Please see the calendar for April events, including special activities and field trips that will be taking place this month.

Thanks for your continued support of
Our Core Business: Teaching and Learning
Our Focus: Continuous Improvement
Our Commitment: Learning for Life

Sincerely,
Angi Butler, Principal



Mimosa Park Elementary PTO is proud to announce that we will once again offer school supply kits. Each kit will contain all of the brand name items needed for school. The kits will be shipped to school, wrapped in plastic and have your child's name on it. We know how much hassle and guess work goes into buying school supplies and believe this is the perfect solution. The kits will also save you an average of \$20-\$35. Be on the lookout for more information.



Library Newsletter: April 2025

Mrs. N. Campo- Librarian

Mrs. S. Robinson-Assistant



Please note that our reading program
will end Wednesday, April 30, 2025.

Congratulations to our newest book club members!

100 Book Club Members: Sonya Chauffe,
Hazel Faucheux, Alexander Hogan, Kinsley
Jacob, Axton Orgeron, Josiah Richmond,
Isla Thompson, Carlton Traveler

200 Book Club Members: Violet Bennett,
Meghan Bickham, Jesse Dunn, Aiden
Griffin, Aiden Lafleur, Lorie Lamers,
Cohen Melancon, Eleanor Tappan, Audrey
Trauth, Vera Williamson

300 Book Club Members: Miriam
Anderson, Bryce Barlow, Benjamin Beltz,
Pailyn Pizzolato, Sydney Scott, Emma
Stevens, Natividad Washington

Top Classes (February):

Ms. Amy & Ms. Natalie - Pre-K

Mrs. Sirmon - K

Mrs. Gallagher - 1st Grade

Mrs. Boyd* - 2nd Grade

(*READBowl STATE CHAMPS!!!!)

Important Dates:

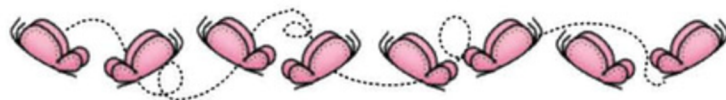
March 31: March logs due

April 7-11: Prize weeks (March logs)

April 30: April logs due

April 30 Last day of reading program

May 5-9-Prize weeks (April logs)



Library Book Recommendations

Is there a book, a book series, or a
specific topic that you would like to
recommend for our library? If so, please
scan the QR code and complete the form!

English Form



Spanish Form



ADVENTURE AWAITS MPE KINDERGARTEN CAMP

GET READY FOR K AND PLAY

JUNE 23-26, 2025

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

REQUIREMENTS TO REGISTER:

- STUDENT MUST BE FULLY REGISTERED FOR KINDERGARTEN AT MIMOSA PARK ELEMENTARY FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR.
- PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM CAMP.
- SCAN THE QR CODE OR USE THE LINK TO REGISTER.

<https://forms.gle/h3rG3q4zyrYJFsl6>



FINE MOTOR SKILLS
AND STORYTIME

SOCIAL SKILLS,
ART AND PLAY!

PHONEMIC
AWARENESS
SKILLS

MATH FACTS

A CONFIRMATION PHONE CALL WILL BE MADE BY
THE END OF MAY. IF YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL
QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL.

MPE Kindergarten Signing and Prep Night

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2025

5:30 PM-6:30 PM

G BUILDING CAFETERIA



LEARN DIFFERENT WAYS YOU CAN HELP YOUR
CHILD PREPARE FOR KINDERGARTEN:

- LETTERS
- SOUNDS
- NUMBERS
- COUNTING
- NAME WRITING
- FINE MOTOR

PLEASE RSVP BY TUESDAY, APRIL 29TH, USING THE QR CODE OR LINK PROVIDED BELOW.
<https://forms.gle/2a849SeZaLuzW2z87>





Counselor's CORNER

APRIL 2025

Counseling Monthly Focus: **Self-Control**

April is a month of growth and renewal, and it's also a perfect time to focus on developing essential life skills. This month, we are focusing on Self-Control. Self-control is the ability to manage one's emotions, behaviors, and impulses. It involves:

- **Emotional Regulation:** Understanding and managing feelings.
- **Impulse Control:** Thinking before acting.
- **Delayed Gratification:** Resisting immediate rewards for long-term goals.
- **Focus and Attention:** Staying on task.



Let's CONNECT!



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Happy, Healthy Kids TIP:

Play games: Games that require taking turns and patience can help develop self-control.

Encourage Emotional Expression: Help your child identify and express their feelings constructively.



Quarter 3 Awards

PELICAN AWARD

Award Recipients



PELICAN AWARD

Award Recipients



BRIGHTEST STAR

Award Recipients



BRIGHTEST STAR

Award Recipients



BEST EFFORT

Award Recipients



BEST EFFORT

Award Recipients



MOST IMPROVED

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PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Award Recipients



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Award Recipients



Mimosa Park Elementary PTO News

Our most recent fundraiser, Cake Bingo, was such a success! We had a great turnout, and we especially want to thank our Pelican families for selling over 5,000 raffle tickets prior to the event! We hope that your guests had fun, and congrats to everyone who won cakes and prizes!

Our profits from Cake Bingo will be used to treat our amazing faculty and staff during Employee Appreciation Week, and then to treat our sweet students during Student Appreciation Week. After that, the majority of profits leftover will be donated to the school. Thank you for supporting PTO, and in turn, MPE!

We'd like to thank all of our Cake Bingo sponsors for your donations and support! We are thrilled to say that, for the first time ever, all cakes were donated! We also raffled off a local business bundle of over \$800 worth of gift cards and merchandise, also all donated! Please consider supporting these local businesses who support MPE!

Color Me Perfect	Canvas Carousel	Hollywood Nails	O'Reilly's Auto Parts
PJ's	The Cajun Lady's Lagniappe	J'aime le Cafe	Grand Ridge Golf Club
Blue Lily Photography & Designs	Academy Travel	Scooter's Coffee	El Paso
Hebert's Seafood	Cherry Lane Boutique	Sol Spa	Hotworx
Will Dempsey	Dat'sa My Cookies	Troy Matherne	Melissa Percle
Baked	Nothing Bundt Cakes	Bake My Sweet Day	Any Excuse for Cake
Modern Metals	Julie Biggers	Laurie Jones	

Finally, thank you to our administration and teachers for helping us make Cake Bingo happen! We couldn't do it without you!

MPE MATH RESOURCE PROGRAM

The Math Resource program is designed to help students that have consistently struggled in the area of mathematics. The program attempts to build number sense, alleviate math anxiety, and help students become confident problem solvers. Currently 8 second grade students and 8 first grade students receive Math Resource at Mimosa Park Elementary during their enrichment time. If you feel your child may benefit from the Math Resource program next year, please email the math resource teacher, Carrie Folsie at cfolsie@wearescpps.org.





**safety
first**

FIRST AID



TIPS

Entire books have been written about First Aid, so these are some basic steps to take in a few common medical situations. This is not an all-inclusive list and those wishing to learn more should look into taking a First Aid course in your community (such as through the Red Cross).

It is important to make sure the scene is safe before you approach someone to render First Aid. You don't want to put yourself in danger or you won't be of any help and will need help yourself! Call 9-1-1 as soon as possible if condition is serious.

- Cuts/Scrapes – Apply pressure to stop any bleeding and apply dressing once bleeding is controlled.
- Sprains – Keep injured limb elevated, apply ice pack (NEVER apply ice directly to skin!), ace wrap or compression wrap, avoid weight bearing, seek further treatment.
- Heat exhaustion – move to cool, shaded area out of sun, offer small sips of water, loosen/remove some clothing, apply cool towels to body, fan if available.
- Burns – first degree is reddened skin without blister (like sunburn); second degree is when skin is also blistered and swollen; third degree looks like white or black/charred skin. With all burns, remove skin from source of burn (sun, fire, hot surfaces, etc...) and run cool water over area. Don't break open blisters. Cover loosely and get advanced medical help.
- Allergic Reactions – Keep person calm, have them lie down, elevate feet, loosen clothing, do not give them anything to eat/drink, assist with Epi Pen if they have one prescribed.
- Fractures (broken bones) – Don't try to straighten area, stabilize with splint or padding, apply ice pack, elevate if possible. Get advanced medical care.
- Strokes – if you suspect someone is having a stroke, note the time symptoms started and call 9-1-1...the time is very important to note!



Training in CPR, choking, using an AED and more First Aid situations should be considered. However, if you are not trained or comfortable assisting someone who is injured or having a medical emergency, you can assist by calling 9-1-1 and staying with them until advanced help arrives.



A NOTE FROM THE NURSE



THINK BEFORE YOU LET THEM DRINK

Children are drowning in soft drink options. Dental experts say we need to teach children early to break the trend of reaching for carbonated drinks to quench thirst. Consumption of such drinks has been linked to diabetes, obesity and osteoporosis. A steady diet of soft drinks is a leading cause of tooth decay. The bacteria in your child's mouth turn the soda's carbohydrates and sugar into an acid that is harmful to teeth. Soft drinks contain sugar that turn into an acid and the drinks already contain acids. Check the labels. Diet sodas also have acid so they are not a good substitute.

Get children into the healthy habit of drinking water between meals. It is also suggested that fruit juices be limited. It is better for youngsters to eat fresh fruit.

When children drink soft drinks, it should be done while eating rather than sipping a cola all day long. Every time soda is sipped, it is a 20 minute attack on the teeth. Continue to practice good preventative dental care and, as always, keep smiling.

Tanya Street, R.N.
School Nurse



ST. CHARLES PARISH PUBLIC SCHOOLS APPEALS PROCESS

The School Building Level Committee is charged with the responsibility of reviewing all information regarding student placement for the next year. If a child has not been promoted the parents will be informed by mail and by phone of the SBLC decision within 3 working days of the last scheduled day for students. If the decision is for the student to be retained in the current grade, the parent will be informed of the right to appeal at the school level. If a parent chooses to appeal the decision, school level appeals must be filed with the school within 10 working days of school notification. Review of placement shall be conducted by the SBLC members appointed by the principal.

If the initial SBLC decision stands, the parents will be informed by mail and by phone of their right to appeal to the District within 3 working days of the SBLC appeal meeting.

Grade placement appeals to the District Level must be received at the St. Charles Parish School Board Office within 10 working days of notification.

Please do not park and leave your vehicle unattended in the front of the school. This area should be free of unattended parked vehicles. This is a **FIRE ZONE**. Also, please do not double park and block properly parked vehicles. Please do not park in spots designated for employees, secretaries or other "reserved" spots even if the spot may be temporarily empty.



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

We recognized our students of the month for February at our March Community Morning Meeting!

Kindergarten & Pre-K: Malayah Bonilla, Connor Dupre, Jackson Hubert, Axton Orgeron, Suzanne Ortego, Rhett Savoie, Mason Weinberg & Alexander Wutke

First Grade: Aiden Griffin, Aiden Lafleur, Mavryck Norman, Hayes Risinger, Cali Shepard, Austin Smith & Ellie Waits

Second Grade: Isla Cologne, Paris Howard, Natasha Leonard, Blaze McGuire, Mary Petit, Harper Plaisance, Gracelynn Shadell & Denver White

Congratulations to all of you!



Enrichment April 2025



<p>P.E. with Mr. Paradise & Mrs. Dufrene</p>	<p>This month we are going to continue to work on teamwork! We are working on our core strength as well as leg strength. We will be playing different scooter games in preparation for scooter hockey. In health, we will learning about how to keep our surroundings clean. We will learn about picking up trash and why it is so important to our planet.</p>
<p>Art with Mrs. Matherne</p>	<p>This month, we are exploring the wonderful world of texture in our art class. We are taking texture walks to remind the students that textures are found everywhere. We are also using texture in our drawings.</p>
<p>Music with Mrs. Pepperman</p>	<p>We are having such a wonderful time in music! Kindergarten is expanding their knowledge of musical elements and first grade is working hard preparing for their very first musical! Please be on the lookout for "Pajama Party", coming soon!</p>



TEACHER OF THE MONTH
CHRISTINA PALMER

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE MONTH
CARMELITA RAMIREZ

March 2025

**Mimosa Park Elementary's
staff is out of this world!**

Thank you for all you do for MPE!

Mark your calendars!

On Wednesday, April 2nd, the MPE first graders will perform their mini-musical "Pajama Party." All are welcome to attend this performance at the Lafon Performing Arts Center in the Shell Theater. The show will begin at 6 PM. First graders should meet in the flex room no later than 5:30 PM. Please come out to support our talented musicians!



HOPE

SAY IT:

Hope: Believing that something good can come out of something bad

KNOW IT:

ASK A GROWN-UP:

- When was a time in your life that you held out hope that something bad would get better?
- How has hope helped you through difficult times?

ASK A KID:

- What are some things that you hope for in your life?
- Is there anything you are experiencing right now, that you are holding out hope will eventually get better?

SEE IT:

It is impossible to avoid bad things in life. All around us, people get sick, tragedies occur, accidents happen, and people make mistakes. Sometimes, it is easy to focus on the bad things that are happening. Having hope can help us deal with our sadness and disappointment. Even in situations that do not get better, we can have hope that good things will come out of these bad situations. In this book, Little Mole learns from his mother how to find hope even when things look dark: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MBAtu2QtoyY>

BE IT:

Together as a family, create a lightbulb out of construction paper. On the bulb, write things you can think of that will help you remember to have hope. These can be the names of family members or other people who inspire you, things you love to do, beautiful things in the world, or anything else you can think of! Display the bulb in a place where you can all enjoy it and remember what brings you joy and hope!



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
April 2025		1	2 1st Grade Spring Performance LPAC 6:00 1st Grade Testing	3	4 Kindergarten Testing	5
	6	7 Breakfast W/Buddies PreK & K 9:30-10:45 2nd Grade Testing	8 Breakfast W/Buddies 1st Grade 9:30-10:45	9 Breakfast W/Buddies 2nd Grade 9:30-10:45	10 Spring Pictures Kindergarten Easter Parade 2:30-3:15	11 CLASS EASTER PARTIES
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Spring Break- NO SCHOOL						
19	20 Happy Easter Progress Reports go home	21 Playgroup 11:30 AM	22 Papa Johns Pizza Night	23	24 1ST GRADE FIELD TRIP CHILDREN'S MUSEUM	25 Community Morning Meeting Perci's Pitstop
26	27	28	29	30 Playgroup 11:30 AM Pre-K & K Zoo Field Trip		

Elementary Menus APRIL 2025

St. Charles Parish
Public Schools

This Institution is an equal opportunity provider.
Menus are subject to change.



Available Daily

With all meals
Low Fat White Milk
Fat Free Flavored Milk

Cold Lunch Choice
Monday: Sunbutter Sandwich
Tuesday: Charley Box
Wednesday: Deli Sandwich
Thursday: Entrée Salad
Friday: Sunbutter Sandwich

Louisiana HARVEST of the MONTH



Fun Facts About Strawberries!

- Strawberries are Louisiana's state fruit.
- Wash berries just before eating. Excess moisture during storage can encourage molding.
- The seeds on the outside of strawberries are actually the fruit! On average, there are 200 on every strawberry.

Strawberries Are Nutritious and Good for You!

- Good source of fiber.
- Excellent source of vitamin C.
- Good source of manganese.



Tuesday, April 1
Breakfast
Chicken Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Hamburger/Cheeseburger
Crinkle Cut Fries
Lettuce/Tomato/Pickle
Baked Beans
Orange Wedges

Wednesday, April 2
Breakfast
Cinnamon Roll
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Chili, Fritos
Shredded Cheese
Garden Salad
Steamed Corn
Banana
Cake or Fruit Crisp

Thursday, April 3
Breakfast
Sausage Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Chicken/Sausage Jambalaya
Broccoli Florets
Steamed Carrots
Fruit
Dinner Roll

Friday, April 4
Breakfast
Chocolate Donut Bites
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Fish Nuggets
Macaroni & Cheese
Green Beans
Cucumber & Tomato Salad
Pears

Monday, April 7
Breakfast
Breakfast Pizza
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Chicken Tenders
Waffles
Green Beans
Steamed Carrots
Sliced Peaches

Tuesday, April 8
Breakfast
Chicken Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Orange Chicken
Fried Rice
Asian Chopped Salad
Edamame Beans
Orange Wedges

Wednesday, April 9
Breakfast
Cinnamon Roll
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

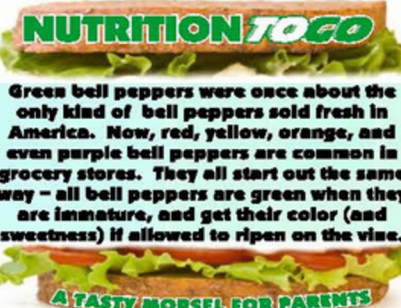
Lunch
Turkey & Sausage Gumbo
Steamed Rice
Potato Salad
Cucumber/Tomato Salad
Banana

Thursday, April 10
Breakfast
Sausage Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Easter Brunch
Scrambled Eggs, Sausage
Grits, Biscuit
Potato Coins, Salsa
Strawberry Kiwi Frozen Cup

Friday, April 11
Breakfast
French Toast Sticks
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Bosco Sticks
Marinara Sauce Cup
Green Beans
Fruit



Easter Break



Break begins on:
Monday, April 14

Classes resume:
Monday, April 21



Monday, April 21
Breakfast
Cheesy Grits or Parfait
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Red Beans w/Steamed Rice
Seasoned Mustard Greens
Steamed Carrots
Cornbread
Pear Halves

Tuesday, April 22
Breakfast
Chicken Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Nachos w/Shredded Cheese
Steamed Corn
Refried Beans
Taco Salad Cup, Salsa
Apple Wedges

Wednesday, April 23
Breakfast
Cinnamon Roll
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Manager's Choice

Thursday, April 24
Breakfast
Sausage Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Turkey Stew
Steamed Rice
Candied Sweet Potatoes
Steamed Cabbage
Strawberry Cup

Friday, April 25
Breakfast
Fresh Donut
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Fresh Hot Pizza
Marinara Sauce
Garden Salad
Fresh Orange Wedges

april

Arab-American Heritage Month
Earth Month
Move More Month
National Garden Month
National Garlic Month
National Grilled Cheese Month
National Humor Month
National Poetry Month
National Volunteer Month
School Library Month
World Autism Month

Monday, April 28
Breakfast
Pancake on Stick
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Popcorn Chicken
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Cal Blend Veggies
Apple Wedges

Tuesday, April 29
Breakfast
Chicken Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Fish Nuggets
Macaroni & Cheese
Green Beans
Cucumber & Tomato Salad
Pears

Wednesday, April 30
Breakfast
Cinnamon Roll
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch
Chili, Fritos
Shredded Cheese
Garden Salad
Steamed Corn
Banana
Cake or Fruit Crisp



Happy Birthday Louisiana!