OCTOBER 2025

Panther Tales

EVENTS
Mark Your Calendar

October 3-22 Parent Teacher Conferences
October 3,10,17,24,31 PTA School Spirit Sales
October 3 Fall Pictures
October 3 Kona Ice $5
October 4 PTA Fall Carnival @ Hadji Shrine 10-2
October 9 Artist Reception @ Pensacola Fair 5:30-7:00
October 10 End of First Nine Weeks
October 10 Firetruck Visit for Kindergarten/Bell
October 13 Professional Development Day/ No Students
October 16 3rd Grade Play @ 5:30 "On Safari"
October 16-25 Pensacola Interstate Fair
October 20 Report Cards in FOCUS
October 21 All County Chorus Performance 6:00 pm
October 24 Kindergarten Scarecrow Day
October 24 Night of Creepy Crawlies @ Roy Hyatt Center 5:30 – 8:00 pm
October 27-31 Red Ribbon Week
October 28 3-5 Grade Mess Hall STEM Night 5-6:30pm
October 31 Veterans Wall of Fame Pictures Due

November 2 Daylight Saving Time Ends
November 10 Veterans Day Program
November 11 Veterans Day/ Holiday
November 12 Progress Reports
November 18 K-2 Turkey Trot
November 19 3-5 Turkey Trot
November 24-28 Fall Break

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PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Wednesday, Oct. 1 – McGee 4th & Gray K

Friday, Oct. 3 - Broadwater 4th & Cotita K

Monday, Oct. 6 – Harrison 4th & & Huber K

Tuesday, Oct. 7 – Williams 4th & Lassiter K

Wednesday, Oct. 8 – Simmons 4th & Baker K

Friday, Oct. 10 – Taylor 3rd & Vaughn K

Monday, Oct. 13 – No School for Students

Tuesday, Oct. 14 – Garic 3rd & Melville 2nd

Wednesday, Oct. 15 – Whiddon 3rd & Crosby 2nd

Friday, Oct. 17 – Mitchell 3rd & Duncan 2nd

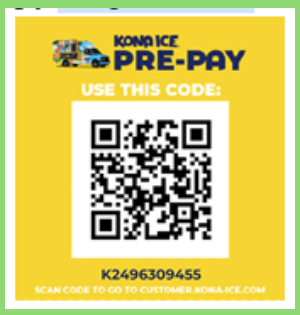
Monday, Oct. 20 – Chism 3rd

Tuesday, Oct. 21 – McCraney 3rd & Gunter 2nd

Wednesday, Oct. 22 – Greene 2nd & Harris 2nd

Friday, October 3

October
3, 10, 17, 24, 31



OCTOBER 3

Hello Parents,
We are using an online payment system to simplify the process and make things easier on our staff. Please copy and paste the link into your browser to pay or use the attached QR code.
https://customer.kona-ice.com/#/K2496309455

- If you would like to provide a Kona for another student, please select the "Pay It Forward" option, and add the item to the cart. You may purchase as many as you like, but please select each Kona Ice separately (select one, then add to cart, then select next one and add to cart, and so on and so on....)!
- **ORDERS DUE *10/01/25!!!!***
- If you have any questions about the prepay system contact *guynfrank@kona-ice.com*.

October 10

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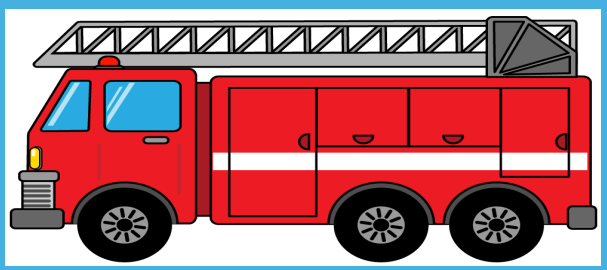

Kindergarten / Mrs. Bell
Firetruck Visit 9:30-10:30

October 13

Let's go on a safari with Ward and Lilly, Didi, Daniel, Melissa, Wally and a host of safari guides! Through song and dialogue, we'll learn about the exciting African Savannah wildlife of lions, giraffes, geckos, bushbabies, servals, weaverbirds, crocodiles and elephants!

3RD GRADE PLAY

OCTOBER 16TH @ 5:30

October 20

It's Report Card Day!

Make sure to check your students report card in FOCUS!

Let's give a shout out to the following students for making their auditions to All County Chorus!

Ryleigh Dickerson

Brantley Hathaway

Bellamy Ryan

Jonah Vann

Connor Warlick

Schedule:

October 20 Practice 3-6pm at Suter Elem.

October 21 Rehearsal 8 am-1pm @ The Saenger

October 21 Performance @ 6 pm @ The Saenger

Kindergarten Scarecrow Day

October 24

Students are encouraged to dress up like scarecrows as we participate in fun fall activities and have a yummy snack!

*This is a student event only.

Meet RHEC reptiles, birds of prey with the **Wildlife Sanctuary of Northwest Florida, Inc.**, fun creepy crawlies with **Sunset Wildlife Connection**, enter the planetarium to blast off into space, go on a spider hunt while taking a night hike in the woods, tour the Beach House observing aquatic creatures, peer through microscopes to observe microscopic creepy crawlies, and so much more. Enjoy some dinner from food trucks at the event (there is a fee for food).

This event is FREE and open to the public. But we do LOVE DONATIONS!

Monetary donations are greatly appreciated (cash, check, text to donate, QR code donation, and tap to donate)

Gift cards to:

Walmart
Lowes
Home Depot
Any pet stores
Grocery stores

Food for animals:

Wild birdseed
Black oil sunflower seed
Suet cakes
Turtle food
Greens (Kale or Collard)
Strawberries
Blueberries
Blackberries
Apples

Other Supplies:

Hand sanitizer
Bleach
Lysol/Clorox Disinfecting Wipes
Paper Towels
Copy paper
Light Bulbs (60-watt heat bulbs and reptile bulbs)

We're Kicking Off Red Ribbon Week

Love Yourself. Be Drug Free.™

October 27-31

Monday, October 27 Wear Red for Drug/Bullying Prevention (Dress in RED Day)

Tuesday, October 28 Panthers Team-Up Against Drugs (Wear your Favorite Sports Team Jersey)

Wednesday, October 29 Sock it to Drugs! (Wear Crazy Socks)

Thursday, October 30 Hats off for being Drug-Free Crazy Hat Day (Wear a Crazy Hat)

Friday, October 31 – "Being Drug-Free is *Spirit* Day (Wear a Costume or Pine Meadow Spirit Shirt)

"RED" TO LIVE A DRUG-FREE LIFE

Remember Our VETERANS

SAVE THE DATE
Veterans Day Program
November 10 @ 9:00am

Veteran parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts, cousins, siblings, and active-duty family members are invited to attend our Veterans Day Program. Please pass this information along to them. RSVP's coming home soon!

Have any family photos of your Vets? Send them in for our WALL OF FAME. Instructions coming home this month!

Would you like to be a classroom speaker? Keep an eye out for the information form coming your way!

Guidance Corner *Ms. Steiner*

Begin With the End in Mind/ Have a Plan: The Habit of Vision

"Would you tell me please, which way I ought to go from here?'

'That depends a good deal on where you want to get to.'

'I don't much care where- '

'Then it doesn't matter which way you go."

~Lewis Carrol, Alice in Wonderland

People who begin with the end in mind have a plan. They create a Personal Mission Statement that they live by every day.

~You begin with the end in mind when you:

~Set short term and long-term goals.

~Plan the steps you need to take to reach your goals.

Ways to practice Begin with the End in Mind:

*Lay out your clothes for tomorrow before you go to bed.

*Get out a pencil and a piece of paper and write down three goals you want to do. Put the paper in a safe place where you can see it.

*We all have something we need to get better at, like doing our homework, brushing our teeth at night, or obeying our parents. Pick one thing you need to do better. Start doing it.

PENSACOLA MESS HALL

OCTOBER 28
5:00 – 6:30 PM
GRADES 3-5 ONLY

Join Us for a FREE family fun night!

FAMILY SCIENCE NIGHT

Family Science Night is an exciting, hands-on event designed to spark curiosity and bring families together through the joy of science. This engaging evening features interactive stations where students and their families explore real science concepts through play, discovery, and creative problem-solving.

There will be 10 -15 interactive science stations focused on topics like physics, chemistry, engineering, and more. Activities that are standards-aligned and designed to reinforce what students are learning in school.

Why Family Night?

- To encourage family engagement in a relaxed and supportive environment
- To make science fun, hands-on, and approachable for everyone.

INFO COMING HOME SOON!

"A GOAL WITHOUT A PLAN IS A WISH "

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