



Seminole Elementary Times

A Note from Your Principal Mrs. Grasso



News from the Principal:

Dear Seminole Elementary Families,

Next week, March 6 & 7, the FSA testing begins – writing for 4th and 5th graders followed by 3rd & 4th grade reading and 5th grade math in April; assessments continue into May – 5th grade Science, 3rd & 4th grade Math and 5th grade reading. The Kindergarten - 2nd graders will be completing their final cycle of MAP within the month of March. The teachers have been preparing the students all year so now it is the time to shine! Your child's teacher will also be sending home information regarding testing as the days get closer. Ample rest and a healthy breakfast is important each day; breakfast is provided free for all students and is served from 8:05- 8:25 daily. It is also very important that students arrive on time to school – if the test has started and a student arrives late they will need to wait until the testing session ends. Thank you for your support and encouragement!

A big thank you to all who were able to attend and participate in the annual Multi-Cultural Festival – such a wonderful event and so much fun and fellowship for our students and community! PMAC is such an active club and much gratitude to Mrs. Rosello, Mrs. Stern, and Ms. Green, Ms. Piper, Mrs. Volland, and Mrs. Horton, the school leaders and the PMAC students, another grand thank you to our fabulous parents and families who contributed and participated!

Other activities in the month of March include; Battle of the Books, Character Kids Assembly, All-Pro Dad's breakfast meeting, The Jump Rope for Heart activity day (during PE/specials), and report cards go home.

Spring Break is the last week of March, from the 26-30. I hope you will enjoy some rest, relaxation and some family fun time!

Thank you again for everything- your support and participation is what makes our school the BEST; it is truly an honor and a pleasure serving as your principal and working with all of you!

Mrs. Grasso

Seminole Elementary Go Red..... for Women



The Seminole Elementary Girlfriend's organization will participate in a community service project at our school to promote awareness and prevention of heart disease and stroke. The campaign began **Friday, February 2nd National Wear Red Day**. Our students wore red in support of the kick-off and ask that you do the same. You are welcome to complete a message for our awareness wall and take pictures in front of our back drop in the front office.

Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women, causing 1 in 3 deaths each year. That's approximately one woman every minute! Heart disease in women requires more attention, more research and swifter action. That's why, from hitting the books to taking it to the Hill, Go Red for Women provides many opportunities for women everywhere to learn the [facts about heart disease](#).

Knowledge is power, and when you have all of the facts you can become an activist, advocate and educator to spread the word and inspire others to make heart health a No. 1 priority. Seminole Elementary this year will lend our **Girlfriend voice** in support of the cure and prevention of heart disease through several school projects.

If you would like to extend your ideas or support please contact Sharon Wilson, Assistant Principal at (727) 547-7668.

FSA Testing Schedule

These are the Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) Grade 3, 4, and 5 Testing dates:

March 6	Grade 5	FSA Writing
March 7	Grade 4	FSA Writing
April 16	Grade 4	FSA ELA Session 1
April 17	Grade 4	FSA ELA Session 2
April 18	Grade 3	FSA ELA Session 1
April 19	Grade 3	FSA ELA Session 2
April 24	Grade 5	FSA Math Session 1
April 25	Grade 5	FSA Math Session 2
April 30	Grade 5	FSA Science Session 1
May 1	Grade 5	FSA Science Session 2
May 2	Grade 4	FSA Math Session 1
May 3	Grade 4	FSA Math Session 2
May 8	Grade 3	FSA Math Session 1
May 9	Grade 3	FSA Math Session 2
May 15	Grade 5	FSA ELA Session 1
May 16	Grade 5	FSA ELA Session 2

Your student can participate in test practice test to become familiar with the computer based platform, items, and response formats. Practice test and answer keys are available at <http://www.fsassessments.org/students-and-families/practice-tests/>.

Students are not permitted to have any electronic devices including but not limited to cell phones, smartphones, and smartwatches at any time during the testing session.

If a student leaves campus before completing a test session, (s)he WILL NOT be allowed to return to that testing session.

If you have any questions related to test administration, you may contact the school at 727-547-7668. For more information about FSA, please visit the FSA Portal at www.FSAssessments.org

Upcoming Events March

- 1st
 - F/T 5th Grade Enterprise Village
- 2nd
 - 8:45am Osceola Middle School Counselor visit
- 5th
 - K-Kids (2:35pm)
- 6th - 7th
 - FSA Writing 4th and 5th Grade
- 8th
 - PMAC Meeting (2:35pm)
- 9th
 - End of 3rd Grading Period
- 12th - 15th
 - K-2 MAP
- 13th
 - SAC/PTA 6:00pm
- 15th
 - Girlfriends Mentor Meeting (11:40am)
- 20th
 - Vision and Hearing Screening
- 21st
 - Rotary Club Luncheon for selected 5th Grade
- 22nd
 - Battle of the Books (1:00pm) Centennial
- 23rd
 - All Pro Dad's – Centennial (7:30am)
 - Report Cards Go Home
 - American Heart Association JUMP ROPE FOR HEART (during PE)
- 26th - 31st
 - Spring Break

WEEKLY EVENTS

Extended Learning Program

Monday & Tuesday 7:30am

Monday, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 2:40-3:40pm

STEM Club

Tuesdays 2:40-4:00pm

Good News Club

Thursdays 2:40- 4:00pm

Parent Survey – Your Input Matters

Dear Parents,

As part of our school's accreditation, we are conducting a parent survey. Your feedback to this survey provides guidance for our school's improvement and helps us identify our best practices. Your participation is very important for the results of this survey to be meaningful. We value your opinion and ask that you take the time to complete this survey. Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated. The link to the survey can be found on our school website

www.pcsb.org/seminole-es under Site Shortcut

or you can take the survey at

www.pcsb.org/parentsurvey

The survey is available until March 12, 2018

Thank you for your participation and input.

Character Kids – February



KG			3rd		
Horton	My'ani Durham	Yanna Rock	Barto	Vaeden Radloff	Abrianna Scropo
Conde	Addison Russell	Phoebe Maye	Carlson	Shawna Elliott	Miracle Coley
Schuler	Elizabeth Lovelace	Desirae Jones	Poolson	Brooke Lucas	Dylan Rowland
Davis	Farrah Rollins	Emaliya Ballou	Rudolph	April Oldfield	Kendall Sanford
Fellows	Wesley Cooper		Kopkau	Amelia Wood	Mauricio Martinez
1st			Hill	Darriyea Morgan	Summer Long
Flock	Serenity Ramos	Noah Stevens	Gamble	Zion Sanders	
Dupre	Ahnalee Noon	Aiden McDonald	4th		
Ellis	Giovani Oropeza	Paige Graham	Taylor	Caira Willingham	Jaymen Cardenas
Gorman	Jolea Newton	Allison Aragon	Swartz	Skylnn Piper	Shannon Smith
Smith	Alan Seinos	Bailey Riso	Crose	Ty Harris	Sara Henkel
Guglielmo			Arnold	Aryanna Badillo	Dani-Marie Blydenburgh
2nd			Leonard	Dallas Martinez	Isabella Lyons
Luczaj	Adriana Morris	Evan Le	5th		
Patterson	Jerry Brummette	Alexis Elliott	Henkel	Johnathan (Gage) Coloso	Molly Mancuso
Mucerino	Joseph Plankey	Brayden Wasoba	Grimm	Madison Clark	
Blanchet	Alissa Makinson	Madison Drapp	Lentz	Forest Chesson	Alexis Laramee
			Sadock	Ethan Nadeau	Carley Loudermilk
			Tripp	Sincere Scott	Jesslyn Shain

Dinner Dilemmas

March's Word of the Month is Honesty. Honesty-Using truthful speech and behavior.

Purpose: To create family discussions that promotes Character Education in Pinellas County.

Dinner Dilemmas are designed to go home once a month with the students for family discussion.

Week 1

Situation: The game is tied in extra innings. Sam's team could win if he can make it to home plate. Sam is tagged before he touches home plate. The umpire calls him safe.

Dilemma: On one hand Sam knows if he does not say anything his team wins the title. On the other hand, Sam knows he should be honest and tell the truth about being tagged.

Discussion: What advice do you have for Sam?

Week 2

Situation: Sue finds a five-dollar bill in the hallway at school.

Dilemma: On the one hand Sue could give it to the fundraiser to help her school. On the other hand, Sue could turn it into the office knowing it probably belongs to someone.

Discussion: What is your advice for Sue?

Week 3

Situation: The school principal recognizes a number of students over the intercom for helping in another class. Sue's name is announced even though she did not participate.

Dilemma: On the one hand Sue could keep quiet and receive the certificate. On the other hand, she knows an honest person would tell the principal she did not earn the recognition.

Discussion: What is your advice for Sue?

Week 4

Situation: Sam is with a group of friends after school. They accidentally break a window in the school's greenhouse. Sam's friends beg him to keep quiet.

Dilemma: On the one hand it is good to be loyal to friends. On the other hand, Sam wants to be honest.

Discussion: What advice do you have for Sam?

Pinellas County Schools 2018 Spring Parent Academy



Session: Clever: Taking Ownership of Learning at Home

Description: Clever is the new sign-on system to access resources for learning at home. Parents, log into the webinar and learn about all the valuable resources to support student learning at home.

Date, Time, and Location: Thursday March 1, 2018 6-7pm

Join from home or on the go – this workshop will be via webinar! The link will be sent to the e-mail address used for registration

Register <https://tinyurl.com/PCSParentacademy>

View the complete Parent academy catalog: <https://www.pcsb.org/ParentAcademyCatalog>

MOVING???? Changing Your Address



According to the Code of Student Conduct (pg 29 H), parent are required to notify the Principal/School within 5 days of the change in residence. Here are the steps to ensure we have the most up-to-date information on your child.

1. Come to the from office during hours (7:30am-3:30pm) with a photo ID and a get a Parent Portal username and password (bring your photo ID with you)
2. Go to www.pcsb.org Under SITE SHORTCUTS select STUDENT REGISTRATION
3. Log in using Parent Portal ID and password
4. Choose existing PCSB Student
5. Select ADDRESS CHANGE and follow the steps
6. You will need to provide 2 Proofs of Residency to the school. Acceptable proofs of residency include: utility, water, cable, or , telephone (not cellular) bill, lease agreement, and photo ID with current address. If you are living with someone you will need to complete a notarized Affidavit of Residency provided at the school.

Gardening Assistance



Our garden and beautification projects continue and could use your help. We are looking for garden donations (e.g. décor, plants, seeds, tree stumps, old tires, and help. If you can assist please contact Mrs. Mucerino @mucerinoc@pcsb.org, or donate your items to the front office. Thanks

Multicultural Night



On Thursday February 22nd, our school had an amazing night displaying the various cultures in our community. This event was sponsored by PMAC. During the event there was the Hall of Nations, which attendees could travel the world and learn about different countries from the United States to Australia. There were martial arts demonstrations, where Oh's Tae Kwon Do performed various moves including allowing participants to board breaking. There was an Art Show which featured art reflecting various cultures, soccer sponsored by Seminole Shooting Stars, and the International Center. This is where dancers from many different cultures shared their cultural dance. Throughout the festival there was also food samples. Thank you Mrs. Rosello, Mrs. Stern, Ms. Green, Ms. Piper, Mrs. Horton, Mrs. Volland and the PMAC students for organizing an amazing night. Thank you to all of the Seminole Families who contributed and helped make this night a success.

Rotary Citizens of the Month



Congratulations to the following students for being February's Rotary Citizens of the Month. These students attended a luncheon and were presented with trophies.
Markus McDonald (Lentz), Kaitlyn Parks (Henkel), and Carley Loudermilk (Sadock)

Congratulations Hispanic Achievement Award Winners



On Saturday February 3, 2018 Arthur Manzano, Carmen Morales, Jhon Mejia, and Morgan Mascareneas were presented with the Hispanic Achievement Award at Ruth Eckerd Hall. Students were presented with a medal for their academic achievements.

Congratulations Running Club Winners for the Month of February



Congratulations to Mrs. Mucerino's Class for being the top Running Club Runners for the month of February.

The Grade Level Winners were:

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| K – Fellows 9.43 | 1 st – Guglielmo 9.43 | 2 nd – Mucerino 9.8 |
| 3 rd – Kopkau 9.65 | 4 th – Arnold 9.4 | 5 th – Henkel 9.22 |

Principal's List Bowlers



Art Note



Greetings from the Art Department!
Congratulations the Youth Art Month Contest Winners:
Amelia Longboat
Karen Mullins
Keep up the great work, students!
-Mrs. Gurney

Music Notes



Congratulations to our three Pinellas All-County Chorus members representing Seminole Elementary this month: Mckenna Cochran, Elyssa Flock, and Molly Mancuso! Our final concert of the year will be featuring 2nd Grade, 3rd Grade, and Chorus. Mark your calendars: May 14th starting at 6:30pm in the Seminole High School Auditorium. More information will be sent home as we get closer!
Have a Marvelous March! Mrs. Christy

Physical Education News

There are many things coming up in PE over the next few weeks. The month of March starts our annual giving campaign for the American Heart Association. Your students will have the opportunity to help save the lives of children who live with heart disease. Envelopes will be coming home soon and will be due back on March 23rd.

Our annual Field Day is also right around the corner. Field Day will be held after Spring Break. More information will be coming home with times and dates for specific grade levels.

As the weather warms up, please remember these important bits of information:

1. PLEASE send students to school with full shoes on for PE days. Students who are wearing sandals, flip flops or any heel can have their grade changed due to lack of participation for that day.
2. WATER is very important during PE. Don't forget that personal water bottles are expected and encouraged during our PE classes.

School Counselor's Corner



Our character word for the month of February has been Tolerance. It is a great time to remind your child or children that each person should be treated with the respect that they deserve. Also, each of us has strengths and talents that are unique (as well as areas we are still learning and growing in). Everyone has their own appearances and mannerisms, likes and dislikes. Problems with others can be more easily resolved when we realize that others may have different ideas, thoughts and opinions than ours. They may even have a new idea or see something that we missed! As the old saying goes, "Wouldn't it be boring if we were all the same?"

March PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS – MENU MARCH

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
			1 Bacon, Egg & Cheese Pizza <u>Choose One:</u> Breakfast for Lunch: Green Eggs & Ham Max Mozzarella Sticks Chef Salad * Chicken Caesar Wrap <u>Choose:</u> Marinara Cup Deli Potatoes * Leafy Green Salad <i>Dr. Seuss Cookie w/ every full meal!</i> Leafy Green Side Salad	2 Morning Sausage Roll <u>Choose One:</u> Pizza Ocean Treasure Fish Nuggets w/ Roll Chicken Caesar Salad Italian Sub <u>Choose:</u> Oven Baked Beans Fresh Veggie Dippers
5 Blueberry Bash Mini Waffles <i>National</i> <u>Choose One:</u> Breaded Chicken Sandwich Loaded BBQ Pork & Cheese Tots w/ Roll Fruit & Yogurt Plate Turkey & Cheese Hoagie <u>Choose:</u> Sliced Carrots Fresh Veggie Dippers	6 Egg & Cheese Croissant <i>School</i> <u>Choose One:</u> * Featured Entrée * Pizza Cheesesteak Sub Corn Dog Veggie Double Dipper Salad Jamwich Kit <u>Choose:</u> Oven Baked Beans Romaine Side Salad	7 Cinnamon Roll <i>Breakfast</i> <u>Choose One:</u> Teriyaki Beef Dippers w/ Rice Stuffed Shells Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Ham & Cheese Croissant <u>Choose:</u> Steamed Broccoli Sliced Cucumbers	8 Sausage Biscuit <i>Week</i> <u>Choose One:</u> Chicken & Waffle Big Fella Bacon Cheeseburger Chef Salad Chicken Caesar Wrap <u>Choose:</u> Mixed Vegetable Blend Leafy Green Side Salad	9 Egg & Cheese Breakfast Taco <u>Choose One:</u> Pizza Potato Crusted Fish Sticks w/ Corn Muffin Loaf Chicken Caesar Salad Italian Sub <u>Choose:</u> Corn Niblets Fresh Veggie Dippers
12 Maple Pancake Minis <u>Choose One:</u> Chicken Nuggets w/ Roll Pizza Crunchers Fruit & Yogurt Plate Turkey & Cheese Hoagie <u>Choose:</u> Sweet Potato Waffle Fries Fresh Veggie Dippers	13 Egg/Ham/Cheese Breakfast Sandwich <u>Choose One</u> Hot Dog on Bun Bean & Cheese Burrito Apple Protein Salad Jamwich Kit <u>Choose</u> Curly Fries , Romaine Salad	14 Chicken Biscuit <u>Choose One:</u> Chicken Drumstick w/ Hush Puppy Macaroni & Cheese Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Ham & Cheese Croissant <u>Choose:</u> Green Beans Sliced Cucumbers	15 Breakfast Burrito <u>Choose One:</u> Beef or Pork Tacos Garlic Cheesy Bread Chef Salad Chicken Caesar Wrap Marinara Cup <u>Choose:</u> Fiesta Beans Leafy Green Side Salad	16 Pancake Pup <u>Choose One:</u> Pizza Chicken & Broccoli Penne Alfredo w/ Breadstick Chicken Caesar Salad Italian Sub <u>Choose:</u> Spinach or Collard Greens Fresh Veggie Dippers
19 Apple Cinnamon Texas Toast <u>Choose One:</u> Hamburger/Cheeseburger Roasted Chicken w/ Roll Fruit & Yogurt Plate Turkey & Cheese Hoagie <u>Choose:</u> Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Fresh Veggie Dippers	20 Scrambled Egg, Bacon, & Biscuit <u>Choose One:</u> * Featured Entrée * Teriyaki Chicken & Broccoli Rice Bowl w/ Chow Mein Noodles Grilled Cheese Sandwich Veggie Double Dipper Salad Jamwich Kit <u>Choose:</u> Tomato Soup *Romaine Salad	21 Glazed Dunker <u>Choose One:</u> Chicken Tender Basket w/ Fries Spaghetti & Meatballs or Beef Ravioli w/ Breadstick Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Ham & Cheese Croissant <u>Choose:</u> Broccoli * Sliced Cucumbers Sliced Cucumbers	22 Bacon, Egg & Cheese Pizza <u>Choose One:</u> Breakfast for Lunch Max Mozzarella Sticks Chef Salad Chicken Caesar Wrap Marinara Cup <u>Choose:</u> Deli Roasted Potatoes Leafy Green Side Salad	23 Morning Sausage Roll <u>Choose One:</u> Pizza Ocean Treasure Fish Nuggets w/ Roll Chicken Caesar Salad Italian Sub <u>Choose:</u> Oven Baked Beans Fresh Veggie Dippers

Thank you for an awesome Spirit Night!

Thank you to our business partners for your hospitality and to our family and friends that came out to support our school!



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Thank You for Supporting Our School:

We would like to thank
 VFW post 9272, Ladies Auxiliary, Barnhorn Financial, Scott Strohbhar, Oakhurst United Methodist Church, Largo Target, Authentic Martial Arts, Einstein's, Kiwanis Club of Seminole Breakfast Foundation INC, Seminole Business Masters, Mister Bob Travel, Seminole Chick-fil-a

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 Please contact Heather Plankey in the front office if you would like more information on building a partnership with Seminole Elementary at Plankeyh@pcsb.org or (727)547-7668.

Thank you, Business Sponsors, of the 2018 Multicultural Festival



PMAC would like to thank the following businesses for their generous donations to help make the 2018 Multicultural Festival a success:
 Joto's Pizza Greek Village Priority Welding
 Hungry Howie's Village Inn Carmelita's
 Einstein's Bagel Eagle Crest Realty A&R Aquariums
 Oh's Tae Kwon Do Seminole FC Soccer Archer Photography
 Rita's Italian Ice Hong Kong Restaurant
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