



MARCH



Seminole Elementary Times

A Note from Your Principal Mrs. Grasso



Message from the Principal

Dear Seminole Elementary Families,
 This week we begin the Florida State testing season – the teachers and students have been working hard all year so now it is time to shine! Everything that has been covered in class including strategies used for other assessments– so there is no need to stress, I know that the students are prepared and that they will do their best! Ample rest and a healthy breakfast is important each day; breakfast is provided free for all students and is served from 8:05- 8:30 daily. It is important that students arrive on time to school – if the testing session has started than a student will need to wait until the session ends so that no distractions occur.
 The SAT 10 Assessments are for 1st and 2nd graders; the FSA (Florida State Assessment) is for 3rd-5th grades and much of it is now done on the computers in a lab setting therefore more dates are designated as testing days. Please reference the "Upcoming Dates" section in this newsletter and memos and newsletters from your child's specific teachers for the exact dates your child will be taking assessments. Thank you for your encouragement and support of the importance of education!
 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. Smith our school leaders and another grand thank you to our fabulous parents and families who contributed and participated!
 Field Day will be held Friday, March 10, memos have gone out detailing the schedule and events please know, you are welcome to stop in and see the fun!
 Spring Break is the week of March 13-17 and also Monday, March 20. Enjoy some rest and fun and family time and we'll see everyone back in school on Tuesday, March 21!
 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

Welcome Coach Stevens and Ms. Duxbury



We would like to welcome our new PE coach Coach Stevenson and our new Music teacher Ms. Duxbury. Coach comes to us from St. Petersburg Christian School. Ms. Duxbury is a graduate of the University of South Florida. Welcome to our Seminole Elementary family.

Register Your Child to Win A New Android Tablet NO PURCHASE NECESSARY



Drawings will take place monthly during our Character assembly starting in March Sponsored by Authentic Martial Arts (AMA After School Enrichment and Summer Camp Programs)

REGISTER at <http://mydigitaldoorway.com/se>

Upcoming Events March

- 9th
 - Vision and Hearing Screening
- 10th
 - Seminole Live Field Trip
 - Field Day
 - End of 3rd Grading Period
- 13th – 20th
 - Spring Break (No School)
- 21st
 - SAC Meeting
 - SAT 10
- 22nd
 - SAT 10
 - Battle of the Books (12:10 4th, 1:00 3rd, 1:50 5th) Media Center
- 23rd
 - SAT 10
- 24th
 - SAT 10
- 27th
 - SAT 10
- 28th - 29th
 - FSA – ELA 3rd grade
- 29th
 - Character Kids Assembly 8:35am
- 31st
 - Report Cards Go Home

WEEKLY EVENTS

- Extended Learning Program**
Monday & Wednesdays 2:40-3:40pm
- STEM Club**
Tuesdays 2:40-4:00pm
- Good News Club**
Thursdays 2:40- 4:00pm

Mad Science Thursday 2:40-4:00pm Box Top Grade Level Winners



- K-Conde -578
- 1- Ellis – 190
- 2 – Smith – 249
- 3 – Barto - 884
- 4 – Arnold -366
- 5 – Henkel – 541
- EBD – Guglielmo – 205

We collected 9,872 Box Tops!
 Thank you for supporting our Box Top program!

Character Kids – March



PreK		
Green	Alexandra Hernandez	
Piper	Zoey Jost	
KG		
Horton	Giovani Oropeza-Canjaj	Sophia Valente
Conde	Makenzi Jackson	Brock Stokes
Schuler	Ava Blair	Luca Woolard
Davis	Marcella Andree	Courtney Greene
Fellows	Dino Burns	Ahnalee Noon
1st		
Flock	Maddison Martin	Pablo Gonzales
Dupre	James Steffanci	Jery Brummette
Ellis	Faith Krause	Andres Butler
Gamble	Carter Flynn	Jasmine Henriquez
Guglielmo	Skylar Eagle	
2nd		
Patterson	May Ly Hoang	Joselyn Badillo
Mucerino	Cameron Wareham	Madalyn Siniff
Smith	David Harr	Sophia Giannico
Blanchet	Amanda Camuccio	Marylly Pratt

3rd		
Barto	Allison Snow	Sean Harr
Carlson	Kelli Kelesyan	Sean Gamble
Poolson	Kylen Lowe	Alexis Eaton
Rudolph	Jarvan Shine	Mar'kayla Martin
Kopkau	Diego Gonzales	SkyLnn Piper
Kappler	Trenton Friedle	Trinyah McGirt
Fugate	Lillian Sibilia-Miller	Isiah Thomas
4th		
Taylor	Jordan Pope	Kimber Hooper
Swartz	Tyler Rhodes	Nicholas Gates
Cröse	Mariah Bentley	Jalynn Hazlett
Arnold	Trin'Asia McGirt	Morgan Wilson
Leonard	Thomas Pagano	Paris Gutillo
5th		
Henkel	Janessa Ross	Mackenzie McLean
Grimm	Isabella Kuhn	Arwen Meyler
Lentz	Brodie Talbot	Aidan Reagle
Sadock	Carl Reilly	Trinitey Harrell
Tripp	Jack Nuckolls	Destiny Uhlendorf
Halpern	Antwon Adams	

Summer Bridge Registration

Summer Bridge - Elementary Program
Enrollment starts February 27th
Reading, Math and Science

The Summer Bridge Elementary School Program is for students currently in kindergarten through fourth grade who are performing below grade level in reading or math or need additional help to stay on track. Current fifth-graders will be assigned to Summer Bridge schools based on their assigned middle schools.

Summer Bridge ES

Summer Bridge prepares students for maximum success when the next school year begins. The program offers engaging reading, mathematics and science activities as well as individualized instruction. Lessons blend technology with small group instruction, hands-on experiments and project-based learning.

For more information, contact Elementary Education at 727-588-6443.

Use the Student Reservation System to enroll starting Feb. 27

Transportation: Parents will be responsible for providing transportation for their children.

Dates: June 6 - July 13

*No Summer Bridge July 3 or July 4

Hours: 8:35 a.m. to 1:35 p.m.

Days: Monday - Thursday

Locations: Bay Point, Bear Creek, Belcher, Belleair, Blanton, Brooker Creek, Campbell Park, Cross Bayou, Dunedin, Eisenhower, Fairmount Park, Frontier, Forest Lakes, Fuguitt, Gulfport, High Point, Highland Lakes, Lakewood, Lealman Avenue, Lynch, Maximo, McMullen Booth, Melrose, Midtown, Mildred Helms, Mount Vernon, New Heights, North Shore, Northwest, Perkins, Pinellas Park, Plumb, Ponce de Leon, Ridgcrest, Sandy Lane, 74th Street, Seminole, Skycrest, Southern Oak, Sutherland, Tarpon Springs and Woodlawn

Please share special healthcare or medical needs for your child with your Summer Bridge school.

Food Service: Breakfast will be available at no charge to students. Lunch will be served before the end of the day. Students may bring bottled water.

Before and Aftercare: Childcare is available from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and all day on Friday. Parents wishing to take advantage of childcare must complete registration packets, which can be requested from the providers serving each elementary school.

PRIDE Award Winners

Congratulations to the following students at Seminole Elementary for winning our 2017 PRIDE Award. These students will be honored at Ruth Eckerd Hall on April 6th.



Aspen Burke – Social Studies

Aubrey Kopkau – Writing

David Morey – Math

Cameron Robb – Science

New Attendance Challenge



We are excited to announce a new attendance incentive beginning at Seminole Elementary School. Classrooms with daily perfect attendance will be announced at the end of the day.

Those classes will be entered in a monthly drawing for a prize: usually a special dessert from the cafeteria at lunch. Studies have shown that absences not only impact the performance of the student who is absent but also impact the overall performance of the class as the teacher spends valuable time re-teaching instead of moving on with lesson plans delaying whole class learning. Help your child's class win monthly rewards and excel in school by having them to school, on time, daily. Remember learning starts at 8:35; students are to be seated and ready to learn. The campus opens at 8:05 for student arrival and free breakfast. Absences matter!!

Encouraging Family Fitness and Healthy Habits



Finding Time to Be Active

See if this scenario sounds familiar—your child has come home from school with 2 hours of homework, including studying for a math test the following day. He also needs to start working on a science fair project. And don't forget the clarinet lesson that's on his calendar as well. There seems to be barely enough time to fit in dinner and a bath.

No wonder some kids feel that they just don't have time for physical activity. Their schedules are filled to overflowing, and when they're overbooked, it's easy for physical activity to fall by the wayside.

As a parent, you need to intervene to make sure your child has time for all the things that are important. Whether he's overweight, physical activity needs to be a priority.

Sit down with your child and structure his time after school so he can fit in everything that's most essential. For example, in planning the following day, you might say something like, "You have a block of after-school time tomorrow. Maybe the time immediately after school isn't the best time for homework, because it will take up the daylight hours you could be outside playing. Why don't you think about choosing to play outdoors for 30 minutes or an hour after you get home? Then we'll go to your clarinet lesson, and once you've eaten dinner and it's dark outside, you can do your homework. The evening is the time when you used to watch TV anyway, so it's a good time to get your homework done. And let's think about rescheduling your clarinet lessons for the weekends."

As a parent, you can help your child find the opportunities to be active. If you're creative, the time will almost always be there.

Source A Parent's Guide to Childhood Obesity: A Road Map to Health (Copyright © 2006 American Academy of Pediatrics)

On Valentine's Day K-Kids went Freedom Square a local assisted living facility and delivered flowers and spent time with senior citizens. Thank you Ms. Gamble and K-Kids for showing caring and love to those in need.



Multicultural Festival

On Thursday February 23rd the Seminole Family and Community were invited to our school to celebrate and experience different cultures around the world. There were performances, food, crafts, entertainments, and people from all over the world sharing about their culture. This wonderful event was sponsored by our PMAC Leadership Council, under the direction of Mrs. Rosello, Mrs. Stern, and Mrs. Smith. Many families and business from our area donated their time, efforts, and food to make this event a huge success. Seminole Elementary PMAC would like to thank say thank you to the following businesses for their generous donations to help make this night possible:

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| Hong Kong Restaurant | Carmelita's | Greek Village | Culvers | Sonny's | Rita's Ice | Joto's Pizza | Priority Welding |
| Momma's Kitchen | Einstein Bagels | Clara Pena, Hair Deign | Rosat's Pizza | Pipo's | Café' de Paris Bakery | | German Bistro 2 |
| Village Inn | Eagle Crest Realty | | | | | | |



MARCH PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS - MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Glazed WG Dunker Choose One: Chicken Nuggets Spaghe ^{te} & Meatballs or Tex-Mex Beef Ravioli w Roll Hummus Dipper Plate Ham & Cheese Croissant Choose: Broccoli Sliced Cucumbers	2 Bacon, Egg & Cheese Pizza Choose One: Breakfast for Lunch Giorgio Cheesy Bread Chef Salad Chicken Caesar Wrap Choose: Marinara Cup Deli Roasted Potatoes Mixed or Tossed Side Salad	3 Apple Cinnamon Sausage S ^{tick} Choose One: Pizza Ocean Treasure Fish Nuggets w/ Roll Chicken Caesar Salad Italian Sub Choose: Oven Baked Beans Fresh Veggie Dippers
6 Blueberry Bash Mini Waffles Take The School Breakfast Challenge Choose One: Chicken Sandwich Pizza Crunchers Chef Salad Turkey & Cheese Hoagie Choose: Crinkle Oven Fries Fresh Veggie Dippers	7 Scrambled Egg, Bacon & Biscuit National Choose One: ♦ Featured Entrée ♦ Unos Hamburger Taco Pizza Corndog Farmer's Salad Jamwich Kit Choose: Oven Baked Beans Romaine Side Salad	8 Rich's Cinnamon Roll School Choose One: Beef Dippers Over Rice Stuffed Shells Marinara Fruit & Yogurt Plate Ham & Cheese Croissant Choose: Broccoli Sliced Cucumbers	9 Egg & Cheese Breakfast Taco Breakfast Choose One: Chicken & Dutch Waffle Grilled Cheese Chicken Cobb Salad Chicken Caesar Wrap Choose: Tomato Soup Mixed or Tossed Side Salad	10 Pancake Pup Week Choose One: Pizza Potato Crusted Fish S ^{ticks} & Corn Muffin Loaf Chicken Popper Salad Italian Sub Choose: Green Beans Fresh Veggie Dippers
13	14	15	16	17
20 No School For Students	21 Maple Pancake Minis School Favorite Day Menu to be chosen by a group of students at each individual school	22 Chicken Biscuit Choose One: Chicken Drums ^{tick} w/ Hush Puppy Macaroni & Cheese Yogurt Parfait Ham & Cheese Croissant Choose: Sweet Potato Waffles Fries Sliced Cucumbers	23 Apple Cinnamon Texas Toast Choose One: Beef or Pork Tacos Mini Cheese Calzones Farmer's Salad Chicken Caesar Wrap Choose: Marinara Cup Refried Fiesta Beans Mixed or Tossed Side Salad	24 Egg & Cheese Croissant Choose One: Pizza Cheesy Fish Filet Sandwich Chicken Caesar Salad Italian Sub Choose: Spinach or Collard Greens Fresh Veggie Dippers
27 Banana Pancake Minis Choose One: Hamburger/Cheeseburger on a Bun Turkey Pot Roast Potato Bowl w/ Roll Veggie Double Dipper Salad Turkey & Cheese Hoagie Choose: Seasoned Corn Nibbles Fresh Veggie Dippers	28 Sausage Biscuit Choose One: March Madness ♦ Featured Entrée ♦ Tyson Chicken Tenders & Fry Basket Stromboli: Pepperoni or Turkey Ham & Cheese Farmer's Salad Jamwich Kit Choose: Sliced Carrots Marinara Cup • Romaine Side Salad	29 Glazed WG Dunker Choose One: Chicken Nuggets Spaghe ^{te} & Meatballs or Tex-Mex Beef Ravioli w Roll Hummus Dipper Plate Ham & Cheese Croissant Choose: Broccoli Sliced Cucumbers	30 Bacon, Egg & Cheese Pizza Choose One: Breakfast for Lunch Giorgio Cheesy Bread Chef Salad Chicken Caesar Wrap Choose: Marinara Cup Deli Roasted Potatoes Mixed or Tossed Side Salad	31 Apple Cinnamon Sausage Stick Choose One: Pizza Ocean Treasure Fish Nuggets w/ Roll Chicken Caesar Salad Italian Sub Choose: 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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