



FEBRUARY



Seminole Elementary Times

A Note from Your Principal Mrs. Grasso



Message from the Principal

Dear Seminole Elementary families,

February has been established as the designated month for many causes and celebrations; it is American Heart Association Awareness Month, Black History Month, the 4th & 5th grade FSA Writing Assessment take place, Valentine's Day, President's Day, and I'm sure I have missed a few more. We are also looking forward to the Multicultural Fair on February 23 at Seminole Elementary and the Book Fair. When I say the calendar is busy and full it surely is but truly much fun too!

Some other exciting things in "the works" is the Commitment to Character (C2C) I-pad/Tablet drawing that will take place at the monthly Character assemblies. The drawing will be open to every student whose parent registers them on-line. One of our school partners, Authentic Martial Arts has purchased the tablet which will be presented at the March assembly. We are looking for additional community sponsors that would like to make a similar contribution and be a presenter. Another initiative this year will be the formation of a school yearbook for all grades Pre-K -5th; corporate and community sponsors are needed to help defray the cost so it will be a nominal fee for each student to purchase or free. Please contact our Family Community Liaison, Mrs. Jennifer Mercado for additional information.

Congratulations again to our Teacher of the Year representative; 3rd grade teacher Mrs. Amy Carlson and to our Community Partner nomination, Jennifer Tavano, Manager at Target; both received recognition at the awards event on January 31 at Mahaffey Theatre in St. Petersburg.

Of course, our most important job is educating our students so please allow me to thank you for your support and to praise our teachers and staff. It is a pleasure to observe lessons in the classroom where all students are actively involved in learning and to witness the growth, awareness and maturity of the Seminole Elementary scholars! I am very proud of the progress being made at Seminole Elementary and I hope you are too!

Mrs. Grasso

3rd Annual Multicultural Festival – 2017



February 23, 2017 5:30pm-8:00pm

Come experience the diversity of our school community and learn about other cultures from around the world. It will be a night filled with exciting and beautiful dancing, music food, artifacts, demonstrations, and student sharing. This event is FREE to the community. Please come

and join us for this amazing event!

Sponsored by Seminole Elementary PMAC Students Leadership

Register Your Child to Win A New Android Tablet

NO PURCHASE NECESSARY



Drawings will take place monthly during our Character assembly starting in February

Sponsored by Authentic Martial Arts (AMA After School Enrichment and Summer Camp Programs)

REGISTER at

<http://mydigitaldoorway.com/se>

Goodbye to Coach Breaux and Mrs. Wood



After many years of instructing our Seminole Elementary students Coach Breaux and Mrs. Woods will be leaving our Seminole family. We wish them both the best. We will miss you both. Thank you for your many years of service to the Seminole Community.

Upcoming Events FEBRUARY

3rd
• Mid-term reports go home

7th
• K-Kids
• SAC Meeting 6:00pm @ SPC
Seminole Campus TL 108

10th
• Kindergarten Tours 9am-12pm

14th
• Valentine's Day

20th – 24th
Book Fair – Media Center

20th
• President's Day (No School)

22nd
• Character Kids Assembly 8:35am

23rd
• PTA General Meeting 5:30pm
• Multicultural Festival 6:00pm

24th
• Last Day for Surveys

28th
• FSA Writing 4th and 5th grade
• Chick-Fil-A School Spirit Night
3pm-8pm

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
Thursdays 2:40

Parent Survey

In an effort to improve system practices, Seminole Elementary is conducting a Parent Survey. We value your opinion and ask that you take the time to complete this survey. In order to complete the survey, go to the link below. Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated.

Visit the website at: <http://www.advanced.org/survey/public/0192483>

Thank you in advanced for your input.

Character Kids – January



PreK

Green/Piper Liam Soles Ryan Haney

KG

Horton Chase Fuller Ava Johnson
Conde Jayden Sanchez Elnna Morris
Schuler Emma Maingi Madeline Arruda
Davis Ke'len Durham
Fellows Veronica Martin Weston Piver

1st

Flock Delaynee Harrell Brayden Wasoba
Dupre Kristina Lawan Brody Stokes
Ellis Mihran Sadid Emmerson Blakey
Gamble Javon King Khloe Ammeraal

Guglielmo

2nd
Luczaj Chloe Buschlen Addison Gabbard
Gorman Erik Abbott Cy Dewaay
Patterson Jaelynn Seymour Kendall Landt
Mucerino Brooke Lucas Keljon Franklin
Smith Kendall Sanford Braelyn Sarni
Blanchet Andrew Perry-Sweet Christian Ramirez
Guglielmo

3rd

Barlo Corina Candelaria Carson Gutillo
Carlson Jeniece Stotler Jonathan Rizo
Poolson Hannah Lamourex Julia Rice
Rudolph Jaymen Cardenas Zachary Beaulieu
Kopkau Cassidy Cummings Charlie Nguyen
Kappler Gabe Cornelius Trinyah McGirt

Fugate

4th

Taylor Melodi Patton David Black
Swartz Victoria Raba Kennedy Porter
Cröse Jade Robinson Kollin Bayes
Arnold Hayden Cooke Marina Marasco
Leonard Ana Recendiz Zachary Fisher

5th

Henkel Aspen Burke Ava Spano
Grimm Ashlynn Boiano
Lentz Chloe Wilson Danielle Goettsch
Saddock Brooke Wythe Emmilia Rosenquist
Tripp Charles North Mackenzie Poolson
Halpern Robert Kaiser

2nd Grading Period Principal's List Students

We would like to congratulate the following students for receiving the Principal's List (All A's) during the second grading period.

THIRD GRADE

Connors-Lewis, Skyler
 Dunn, Madison
 Gildner, Irish
 Hoffman, Joseph
 Stone-Plauche, Aubrielle

Toth, Jolie Lynn
 Smith, Jaxon Carter
 Walls, Tomajah
 Hanson, Brandon
 Fortner, Jada Lyn
 Hoppenstedt, Hayden
 Houck, Kaylee
 Randolph, Mahogany
 Ferguson, Elijah
 Gessner, Brody
 Hasty, Carter
 Mullins, Karen
 Munoz, Adrian
 Nguyen, Charles
 Baydoun, Hadi
 de Vega, Maya

THIRD GRADE (cont)

Eaton, Alexis
 Harris, Ty
 Henkel, Sara Kylie
 Landt, Tyger Lily
 Nagatani-Beyers, Isabella
 Rice, Julia Elizabeth
 Simpson, Collin
 Tavano, Davaney
FOURTH GRADE
 Burke, Dallas
 Dickman, Aydan
 Bayes, Kollin
 Boeing, Sergio
 Greene, Cody
 Mascarenas, Morgan
 Robinson, Jade
 Stulce, Kenna
 Dang, Anton
 Cote, McKenna
 Patton, Melodi
 Vukovic, Tamara

FIFTH GRADE

Baydoun, Nahia
 Burke, Aspen
 Davis, Quinn
 Dunn, Mackenzie
 Kopkau, Aubrey
 Leili, Gabrielle
 Mahoney, Isabel
 Morey, David
 Ray, Ethan
 Ross, Janessa
 Spano, Ava
 Tubbs, Stephanie
 Markova, Angelena
 Prapuolenis, Lukas
 Sonnenberg, Guy
 Yu, Anna
 Zheng, Elva
 Harrell, Trinitey
 Hartog, Zoey

ALL CHILDREN'S WALK-A-THON



This year our school raised \$2689.80 for All Children's Hospital, to help care for children and families who use the hospital. This year's top students for the most donations are:

1. **Chase Pacocha** in Mrs. Horton's K \$185
2. **Colt Hanies** in Mrs. Conde's K Class \$120
3. **Makenzi Jackson** in Mrs. Conde's K Class \$115

The class with the most donations is:
 Mrs. Conde's K Class with \$320

Thank you to everyone who supported our walk-athon this year.

Reflections Award Winners



Congratulations to the following students at Seminole Elementary who participated in the 2017 Reflections Program.

Graci Tubbs – Photography and Dance

Irish Gildner – Visual Arts

Dava Tavano – Photography and Literature

Hailey Hession – Visual Arts

Corrine Milot – Visual Arts

Thank you PTA and Mrs. Tavano for coordinating and PTA for sponsoring and this program.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2016-17 KIDS TAG ART PINELLAS AWARD OF EXCELLENCE RECIPIENTS!



Congratulations **Jamie Sisk, Joshua Seenaught, and Nahia Baydoun!**

Kids Tag Art Pinellas is a community partnership facilitated by the Pinellas County Tax Collector's office that brings businesses, students, families, government, and the public school system together to increase awareness about the importance of arts in our community.

It is an elementary art curriculum that teaches children how art is used in commerce while raising funds to support arts education. Students created unique vanity tags that anyone can purchase online for \$15 + \$3.50 shipping and handling to display on the front of their cars.

Encouraging Family Fitness and Healthy Habits



By setting the basic foundations of life, parents are the number one source affecting the way children feel about living a healthy lifestyle. Children innately realize that Mom and Dad are their educators, mentors, heroes, supporters, and role models throughout their lives. This is a colossal responsibility for the adult, as children believe that most behaviors by parents are acceptable actions, whether good or bad. The bottom line: children are watching their parents' every move, mirroring their every action; if a parent is sedentary, there is a good chance their children will be too. However, parents who eat healthily and exercise with their children on a regular basis are teaching them many valuable lessons.

Certified health coach and mother of two Pam Howard agrees. "Parents who exercise with their children are not only teaching them how to live a healthy lifestyle, they are also reinforcing the family bonds and creating wonderful family traditions. It's fantastic for super-busy parents who wouldn't get as much exercise as they need without incorporating their kids in the process."

A daily exercise program is essential for every child's normal growth and development. The benefits of exercise are endless, and go deeper than just fighting heart disease and other adolescent risk factors for poor health. Author and fitness expert Debbie Mandel states, "Children who exercise do better academically and learn how to reduce stress. In essence, adults in the household are showing children a healthy way to relieve stress and improve their thinking while they (the adults) practice what they preach. Children are always observing their parents and picking up on their body language, not just their words."

It is imperative that families make time to exercise together so that it eventually becomes part of their routine.

Getting fit as a family does not have to be very time-consuming or complex; it can be fun and creative. Here are seven simple suggestions to help your family get fit together.

1. Commercial-cize. Many children (as well as their parents) watch a few hours of television each night. It is important for families to reduce sedentary time. Whenever a commercial break comes on the TV, exercise as a family. Try running in place, push-ups, or jumping jacks during each commercial to keep everyone up and moving.
2. Make an Exercise Video. Most portable cameras now have a video function. Have your family create their own exercise video where your kids are the stars. Everyone will get fitter creating the videos, and at a future time, have fun exercising along with the video over and over again.
3. Dancing Can Be Fun. Nutritionist Lisa Suriano suggests, "Just dance! Turn on the radio or pump up some fun songs on your mp3 player to rock out together as a family. Jump around, do a shimmy, shake your limbs and let the giggles ensue. With minimal effort, you can burn some calories and have a super-fun, spirit-lifting family time."
4. Going the Extra Step. Dr. Kathryn Cahill, a pediatrician, states, "Parking farther away when running errands with the kids, encouraging them to take the stairs with you when shopping, and having them walk along the cart can increase their activity."
5. Allocate Time for Family Exercise Every Day. Certified health and wellness coach Carrie Karkoska says, "It doesn't have to be much. Take a family walk after dinner and use that time to talk about your days. Play a family game of football during halftime of the game Dad is watching. Invite your kids to join you during your cross-training or yoga DVD. They will not be able to do all the exercises, but they will be moving and trying! Teach them that exercise and sweat are really important, and that it can be fun!"
6. Blend Technology With Play. Fitness professional Jamie Atlas says, "Many games offer the chance to move with a partner and be scored according to your accuracy, be it dancing, boxing, bowling, I recommend checking out some of the electronic fitness programs or other technologies out there to see how you can cross generation gaps and meet somewhere in the active middle."
7. Play Your Cards Right. Fitness author Rocky Snyder suggests, "Create your own Family Olympics. Go to your local track or town pool and have races while your family goes for the gold!"

And remember: Families that PLAY together STAY together.

Publix Family Night

On January 24th families had an opportunity to learn fun ways to apply math in everyday life. Families participated in fun math activities at Publix (off 113th and Park) and also play fun math games with staff members at our school.



100th Day of School Fun Activities



FEBRUARY PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS - MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Chicken Biscuit Choose One: Chicken Drumstick w/Hush Puppy Macaroni & Cheese Yogurt Parfait Ham & Cheese Croissant Choose: Sweet Potato Waffles Fries Sliced Cucumbers	2 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	3 Egg & Cheese Croissant Choose One: Pizza Cheesy Fish Filet Sandwich Chicken Caesar Salad Italian Sub Choose: Spinach or Collard Greens Fresh Veggie Dippers
6 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	7 Sausage Biscuit Choose One: Featured Entrée: ♦ Herb Roasted Chicken with Buttered Noodles & Roll ♦ Stromboli: Pepperoni or Turkey Ham & Cheese Farmer's Salad • Jamwich Kit Choose: Sliced Carrots Marinara Cup • Romaine Side Salad	8 Glazed WG Dunker Choose One: Chicken Nuggets Spaghetti & Meatballs or Tex-Mex Beef Ravioli w Roll Hummus Dipper Plate Ham & Cheese Croissant Choose: Broccoli Sliced Cucumbers	9 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	10 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
13 Blueberry Bash Mini Waffles Choose One: Chicken Sandwich Pizza Crunchers Chef Salad Turkey & Cheese Hoagie Choose: Crinkle Oven Fries Fresh Veggie Dippers	14 Scrambled Egg, Bacon & Biscuit Choose One: Featured Entrée: ♦ Tasty Brands Mozzarella Bread Stick Twists ♦ Corn dog Farmer's Salad • Jamwich Kit Choose: Oven Baked Beans Marinara Cup • Romaine Side Salad	15 Rich's Cinnamon Roll Choose One: Beef Dippers Over Rice Stuffed Shells Marinara Fruit & Yogurt Plate Ham & Cheese Croissant Choose: Broccoli Sliced Cucumbers	16 Egg & Cheese Breakfast Taco Choose One: Chicken & Dutch Waffle Grilled Cheese Chicken Cobb Salad Chicken Caesar Wrap Choose: Tomato Soup Mixed or Tossed Side Salad	17 Pancake Pup Choose One: Pizza Potato Crusted Fish Sticks & Corn Muffin Loaf Chicken Popper Salad Italian Sub Choose: Green Beans Fresh Veggie Dippers
20 Professional Development Day 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 Drumstick 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
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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!



McDonald's



Grill & Chill
Dairy Queen



Treasure Island Fun Center



Astro Skate

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