

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

BY MRS. JEFFERIS

Happy New Year! During January we will focus on the Resiliency Characteristic of Self-Awareness & Self-Management – understanding and governing our thoughts, actions, and impact on others. In Kindergarten through 2nd grade, children are learning that healthy choices affect personal wellness, are able to identify and recognize how we think and act is important, and can describe how an individual's actions can impact others. In 3rd through 5th grade, children are continuing to recognize the skills needed when working with others, understand and discuss ways to take responsibility for one's actions, and identify ways in which his or her decisions affect others. We encourage you to join us in reinforcing the importance of Self-Awareness and Self-Management at home by having open conversations and setting positive examples. Florida Statutes section 1003.42(2)(n) requires public school districts to provide comprehensive age-appropriate and developmentally appropriate K-12 health education that addresses internet safety and prevention child abuse, exploitation, or trafficking. During the spring semester I will be visiting classrooms to cover the topics of safety rules, digital safety tips, and safe adults. If you have any questions about these lessons, please feel free to reach out.



Attendance Reminder

All Day, Every Day! Our goal is to ensure that every student attends school regularly. Please report all student absences by calling 386-322-6101 and selecting option #2 for attendance. Even if you have already spoken with your child's teacher, calling the attendance line ensures the absence is properly recorded in FOCUS. While we realize some tardies, absences, or check outs are unavoidable, we also know that when students miss too much school, regardless of the reason, it can cause them to fall behind academically. Thank you for your cooperation and support!

SAFETY REMINDERS

BY MRS. HEMINGS

Partnering for Positive Behavior

At CCE, we believe that when parents and schools work together, students thrive! Here are a few ways to support positive behavior at home and school:

1. Know the SWIM Rules

Review the school's expectations with your child and talk about why they matter—keeping everyone safe and ready to learn. As Otters we SWIM! S- Safety First, W- Work Hard, I- Interact Kindly, M- Make Good Choices

2. Praise Good Choices

Celebrate when your child follows directions or shows kindness. Specific praise like, "I appreciate how you listened the first time" encourages repeat behavior.

3. Keep Routines Consistent

Regular schedules for homework, bedtime, and screen time help kids feel secure and stay on track.

4. Work Together with Teachers

Stay connected through conferences and newsletters. Ask what works in class and try those strategies at home.

Thank you for partnering with us to help every Otter succeed!



Parent Loop Reminders

- Pull all the way forward
- Students enter/exit on the passenger side only
- Ensure your CCE Car Tag is visible-if you need one please stop in the office
- Stay off cell phones
- Students should be picked up by 2:55pm

