PINEWOOD ELEMENTARY PARENT NEWSLETTER

Josianne Valme – Principal
Christina Bloomfield – Assistant Principal
2025-2026
January 16, 2026

We Care -- We Learn -- We Achieve

Happy New Year, Pinewood Elementary Families!
We are excited to launch the second half of our school year as we continue our journey toward achieving an A rating and supporting superior academic growth for all students.

Reproductive Health and Disease Prevention – Grades 4 & 5

In February, students in Grades 4 and 5 will receive instruction on Reproductive Health and Disease Prevention. You will receive copies of the Parental Opt-Out form, and you may also complete the opt-out process through the FOCUS Parent Portal.
To review the curriculum, please visit **http://www.browardschools.com/reproductivehealth**. For your convenience, a hard copy is also available in our front office.

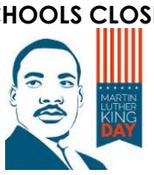
Pinewood Aftercare Program

Pinewood Elementary offers a comprehensive aftercare program from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., including Early Release Days. Our program provides homework help, engaging activities, snacks, and exciting field trips for students in a safe and supportive environment. Spaces are currently available. For more information, please contact one of our aftercare supervisors, Ms. Belizaire or Ms. Daniel at (754) 322-7971.

Pinewood Elementary is an exceptional community of learners, and I am deeply honored to serve as your principal. Thank you for being a valued member of the Pinewood Elementary family, where our motto is: **We Care – We Learn – We Achieve.**

Warm regards,
Josianne Valme
The Luckiest Principal

Upcoming Calendar of Events

MONDAY 1/19	TUESDAY 1/20	WEDNESDAY 1/21	THURSDAY 1/22	FRIDAY 1/23
SCHOOLS CLOSED  **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day**		**SAC Meeting** 5:30 PM Media Center **Kindergarten Round UP** 6:00 PM Media Center **PTA Dippin' Dots** Orders due by 11:59 PM	**PTA Dippin' Dots at Recess**	**Kids of Character Award Ceremony** 8:30 AM **Quarter 2 Honor Roll Ceremony** Gr 3 – 8:45 AM Gr 4 – 9:10 AM Gr 5 – 9:30 AM
MONDAY 1/26	**TUESDAY 1/27**	**WEDNESDAY 1/28**	**THURSDAY 1/29**	**FRIDAY 1/30**
Literacy Week Activity *"Hallway Timeline"* Decorate classroom door with history poster	**Literacy Week Activity** *"Freedom to Read"* Bring blankets and patriotic books to read outside	**Literacy Week Activity** *"Western Wednesday"* Dress like pioneers or western story characters **Midyear Science Assessment** **8:30 AM** **Grades K-5** 100th Day of School **PTA Dippin' Dots** Orders due by 11:59 PM	**Literacy Week Activity** *"Time Travel Thursday"* Students dress up like history characters **PTA Dippin' Dots at Recess**	**Literacy Week Activity** *"Stars & Stripes"* Wear red, white and blue stars and stripes

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Why Attendance Matters:

Frequent absences in elementary school have been shown to significantly affect a student's reading skills. Set your child on the path to academic success by being in school each day!

The next NO TARDY PARTY is set for February 13th – Let's be on time every day!

Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK)

VPK is available to children that will be 4 years old by September 1, 2025. Pinewood Elementary offers a full day program free of charge. If you are interested in the VPK program please do the following:

Step 1: Apply for your child's VPK Certificate of Eligibility online via the State of Florida – Family Portal Website:
https://familyservices.floridaearlylearning.com

Step 2: Create your child's BCPS – VPK application by visiting
browardschools.knack.com/vpkapp2025

PINEWOOD PTA FUNDRAISER

Support our PTA and order your Dippin' Dots by 11:59 PM each Wednesday. Treats will be delivered to your child during recess. Use this QR Code to order.

Please call 754-322-7954 for Parent & Discipline Concerns.

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING.
Be a Broward Buddy, Report a Tip!

Call 911 immediately in an emergency. If you have a NON-Emergency Safety or Security concern, please report it through any of our available tip reporting tools. (You may choose to remain anonymous or provide contact information for a callback.)

BY PHONE	BY EMAIL	Download one of the Reporting APPS	
754-321-3500	SecurityTips@BrowardSchools.com	FortifyFL	SaferWatch