

DECEMBER

Prowls N Growls

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Dear Parents,

The holidays give us an opportunity to pause our busy lives and reflect on our proud accomplishments. The season offers us a chance to say “thank you” to the entire school community for all the support that you provide to our students, our families, and our staff. It is because of you, that our Harvest Drive was such a great success! Thank you all for selflessly making a positive difference for families in need.

December is now upon us, and with it comes all the excitement that the season brings. It's a busy time filled with the hustle and bustle of gift shopping for friends and family near and far. Life at school is also very busy. We have field trips planned, PM 2 testing, the opening of our Winter Shop and a holiday Spirit Week.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff, students, and parents for their continued support. Our school is truly a community, and it is at this time of year when the closeness of friendship shines in our students' faces. The new year will bring new learning experiences, new challenges, and new fun. We look forward to what lies ahead for us in 2026.

We hope you all have a joyous and special holiday season with plenty of time to relax and enjoy family and friendships. Safe travels and warm tidings to each one of you!

With Love,

Laneia Meacham, Principal

Rowena Thomas, Assistant Principal



December 1 – Holiday Shop Opens
December 1 – SAC/SAF 2:40 pm Media Center
December 5 – 2nd Grade Field Trip Palm Beach Zoo
December 8-12 – Inclusive Week
December 12 – Winter Dance
December 18 – 5th Grade Field Trip JA Biz Town
December 19– Early Release
December 19 - RISING STAR Assembly
December 22 – January 5, 2026, No School Winter Break



Panther Pals has resumed this school year!



The Panther Pals has resumed this year to create opportunities for our 5th grade students to act as peer buddies for our students with special needs. Selected students meet twice monthly with their assigned Panther Pal to conduct activities to help build friendships and advocate for inclusivity.

2025 Inclusive Schools Week: Children First Building a Stronger Tomorrow



Monday Dec. 8	Tuesday Dec. 9	Wednesday Dec. 10	Thursday Dec. 11	Friday Dec. 12
Inclusion Skit Get kids thinking about what inclusion looks like in everyday life. Divide them into small groups and challenge each team to create a short skit showing how to include someone who's left out during a group activity. They can act it out live or record a quick video version.	What Makes Me... ME? Help young children explore their differences. Give each child a sheet of paper with an outline of a person and ask them to fill it with drawings or words that show their strengths and challenges. They can use two different colors: one for things they're great at and another for things they're still learning. Encourage them to think about all parts of life, from school and sports to hobbies and friendships..	What Makes Someone a Good Friend? Start a conversation about kindness and friendship. Ask kids to share what makes someone a good friend. Is it things like sharing, taking turns, listening, or helping when someone's sad? As they brainstorm, write their ideas on a board or big poster to create a "Good Friend" word cloud.	Understanding Emotions Help kids explore feelings and develop empathy. Start by talking about how everyone feels a wide range of emotions, and that trying to understand them helps us be kind friends. Read simple sentence starters like "I feel happy when...", "I feel sad when...", or "When my friend feels scared, I can..." and let children finish them out loud or on paper.	Random Acts of Kindness Challenge each student to take action by doing one random act of kindness. Set up a school-wide or class jar where students write down what they did and put it in the jar.





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Thank you Officer Dittman for
reading to all our students





Student Council would like to thank all the families for their kindness. The Harvest Drive was a huge Success!



Kindergarten Fire Truck Visit





NOVEMBER

CITIZENSHIP

RISING STARS



Country Hills Elementary

Winter Spirit Week

Monday, December 15th
Don't call my sweater ugly!
Wear your fun unique holiday sweater or shirt.



Tuesday, December 16th
I'm glad to wear plaid!

Wear your holiday flannel plaid shirts.

Wednesday, December 17th
You're A Mean One Mr. Grinch!

Wear your green or hearts.



Thursday, December 18th
Decorate me like a holiday.

Represent your favorite holiday from head to toe!
The more the merrier!

Friday, December 19th
I woke up like this!

Let's end the week comfy and cozy. Wear your school appropriate holiday pajamas!





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GIVE BACK!**

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

CORAL SPRINGS LOCATION

5677 CORAL RIDGE DR. * 954-366-5987

ALL DAY

11 A.M. TO 9 P.M.

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SPIRIT FRIDAY

TOYS FOR TICKETS

ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

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Spread some winter cheer!
Donate new, unwrapped toys to
share joy and show your CHE
Spirit with students at Country
Hills Elementary and across
Broward Schools.

Please email any questions to:
CountryHillsElemPTA@gmail.com

How to Donate:

Drop off your gifts at Car Loop to
Receive a Spirit Ticket

What to Bring:

New, unwrapped toys, crafts, books
and games suitable for ages 5-11.

***Please do not donate Nerf guns
or other toy weapons.



Kindness

December Character trait

A caring person is considerate, kind, compassionate and generous.
A caring person considers how decisions, words and actions are likely to affect other people.

Remind your child that they have the power to brighten another person's day through a simple act of kindness.

Ideas to Do as a Family

- Participate in a community service project with your child, which allows the family to show kindness towards others.
- As a family, discuss what you could do to show that you care about the environment, such as cleaning up a street, picking up trash, or starting a recycling program.
- As a family identify things that you can do together to make a difference in someone else's life.
- Catch your child being kind and acknowledge how important that behavior is. This is a simple opportunity to reinforce how important being kind is in your family.
- Watch a television program together and talk about the various ways in which the characters acted uncaring or caring towards one another.
- Remember that the best teaching tool is to always model the behavior you want your child to learn. You are a powerful role model for your child. If you are kind and helpful to other people



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754-321-3500



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SecurityTips@BrowardSchools.com

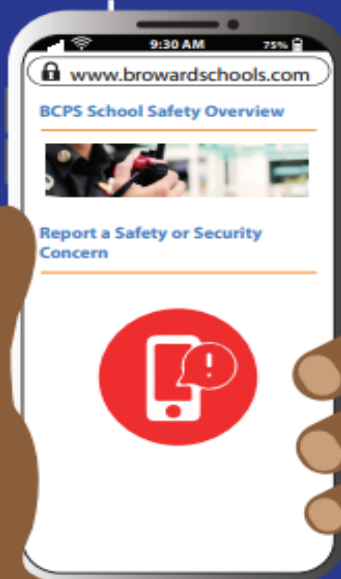


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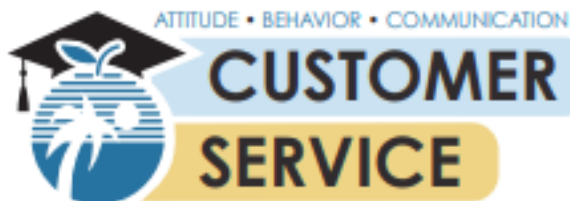


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