



MIMOSA PARK
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PELICAN PRIDE

March 2026

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Gina Burst/Assistant Principal

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Principal's Message

Dear Marvelous MPE Families,

February came and went in the blink of an eye and March is already here! As we wrap up Quarter 3 on March 13th, it won't be long until we settle into our longer, warmer days and begin Quarter 4 end-of-year preparations!

March is a busy month filled with important academic dates and fun events!

Kindergarten registration is now open for students who will be five (5) years old by September 30, 2026. The link to **online kindergarten registration** is available on our school website or Twitter page. Parents/guardians can register and submit documents online at any time. Parents may upload required documentation online, however, the **original** birth certificate must be brought into the front office. In-person kindergarten registration at MPE will take place **Monday, March 16 through Friday, March 20 from 9:30AM-12:30PM**. Please bring the following: driver's license, proof of custody (if child is not living with both biological parents), child's birth certificate, child's social security card, home address, mailing address, phone number, and proof of residency. Proof of residency would be two different utility bills-gas, water, or electric bills only. **Phone and cable bills are not accepted.** If renting, one current utility bill and the lease are required. It is not necessary for the child to attend registration.

On **March 13** join us for **PTO's Annual Bingo Night!** We will play Bingo to win prizes and socialize with our MPE families and friends! Be sure to get your tickets and take chances on the 50/50 raffle and amazing gift baskets! Doors will open at 5:15PM and bingo will begin at 6:00PM. Please call the school if you need tickets and/or information.

Given the rainy winter weather we have had, I am choosing to fully embrace "**Spring Fever**"! Feel free to join me as we maintain our **momentum of successful teaching, learning, and growing together!** I appreciate your continued efforts in supporting our academic assignments and home-school connections as we work towards accomplishing our goal of finishing the year strong!

Thank you for all your support,

Angi Butler
Principal



MPE LIBRARY

Newsletter

MARCH 2026

MRS. N. CAMPO - LIBRARIAN

Upcoming Events

- March 2-6: Prize Week (February Logs)
- March 31: March logs due



Top Classes - Jan.

Congratulations!

Mrs. Cindy & Mrs. Holly - Pre-K
Mrs. Tregre - Kindergarten
Mrs. Gallagher - First Grade
Mrs. Young - Second Grade



Library Book Recommendations

Is there a book, a book series, or a specific topic of books that you and your family would like to recommend for our library? If so, please scan the QR code to submit!

Please note: All books that are recommended are not guaranteed to be purchased.



SCAN ME

Book Club Members - Jan.

Congratulations!

Betty Barrois - 50 Book Club
Eli Dorwart - 50 Book Club
Meghan Wilson - 50 Book Club
Sama Alhusseini - 100 Book Club
Trinitee Batiste - 100 Book Club
Brody Clement - 100 Book Club
Owen Gaudin - 100 Book Club
Weston Gordon - 100 Book Club
Dean Griffin - 100 Book Club
Andrew Hooper - 100 Book Club
Westin McCullough - 100 Book Club
Adeline Norris - 100 Book Club
Emma Ritzmann - 100 Book Club
Avery Stromeyer - 200 Book Club
Vera Williamson - 300 Book Club

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A Pot of Gold is Great... but Books Are Better!

**St. Charles Parish Community Network/Ready Start Network
Early Childhood Enrollment Outreach Event
2026-2027 School Year**

Saturday, March 7, 2026

9:00-12:00 p.m.

Location: River Parish Community College

13145 US-90, Boutte, LA 70039



**www.wearescpss.org
Under Services**

Who should attend this event?

Families who:

-have children ages birth-4

&

**-are interested in enrolling their children in
early childhood programs.**

MEET OUR PARTNERS

Child Care Sites

Life Church Academy

Mimi's Lil School House

Four Stars Childcare Facility

Kidz Academy

Children's Book of Knowledge

Full of Love Christian Center

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St. Charles Parish Public Schools

6 Elementary Schools

2 Early Learning Centers

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Department*



**Treats from
partners**

**Visit the
Learn with Us Bus**

Counselor's CORNER

MARCH 2026

At Mimosa Park Elementary, our counseling program has a shared responsibility to support the social and emotional needs of all students to become productive global citizens. We embrace the diversity of our children by providing a safe, respectful, and nurturing environment.

Counseling Monthly Focus: Boundaries

This month in counseling lessons, students are learning about healthy boundaries — understanding personal space, using their voice, and respecting others. Boundaries help children feel safe, build healthy friendships, develop confidence, and learn respect for themselves and others. In classroom lessons, we practice using strong, respectful voices, body language that shows confidence, identifying trusted adults, and role-playing how to respond when someone crosses a boundary.



Happy, Healthy Kids TIP:

- **Practice "Stop"**
Have your child practice saying, "Stop, I don't like that," in a strong, calm voice.
- **Praise Assertiveness**
Notice and celebrate when your child speaks up respectfully.

Let's CONNECT!



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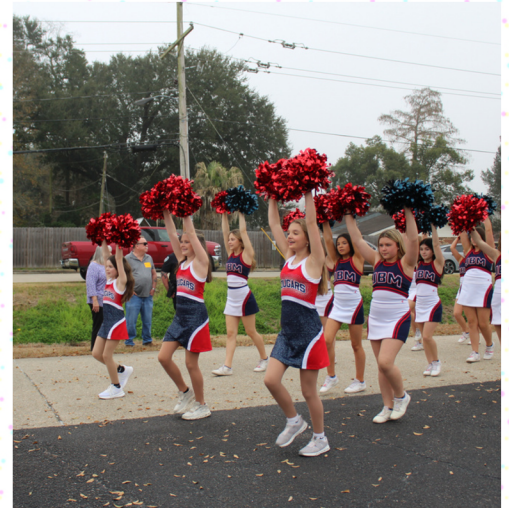


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Mimosa Park kicked off the Mardi Gras holiday with its 2nd grade parade. Audrey Vinet was the queen of the parade and Grayson Bergeron was the king. The king and queen led the 2nd graders as they paraded with their classes.



Mimosa Park Elementary PTO News

First, a big thank you to everyone who attended the very first MPE Dance. It was absolutely wonderful to see our students and families dancing, laughing, and having fun together. The energy in the room was incredible, and it truly made for a great night. We appreciate everyone who came out to support this new event and helped make it such a success.

Cake Bingo is almost here! Join us for one of our most anticipated events of the year on Friday, March 13 at 6:00 PM. A huge thank you to our students for selling raffle tickets so far — we've already sold over 2,000 tickets before the break. All raffle tickets must be turned in by Friday, March 13. Doors open at 5:15 PM, and the first Bingo game starts promptly at 6:00 PM. We strongly recommend arriving early to check in, grab a great seat, view the raffle prizes, purchase food, and be ready to play! Please remember that the district bag policy applies.

Bingo cards, food tickets and raffle tickets will also be available for purchase during the event. Bingo cards are \$6 each. Food and Raffle tickets are \$1 each. We will be serving pizza, nachos, snacks, and drinks.

A 50/50 raffle will be held and drawn at the end of the event. Tickets are available only on the night of Cake Bingo, and you DO need to be present to win.

We look forward to a fun and exciting evening with our school community.

Shortly after Cake Bingo, we will be sending home 2026–2027 PTO Board nomination forms. Please consider joining the PTO board next year to help us continue creating fun and engaging opportunities for our students and families.

If you have any questions about Cake Bingo or joining next year's PTO board, please email mimosaparkpto@yahoo.com.



The DHS Step Team came to perform at our Black History Month Program.

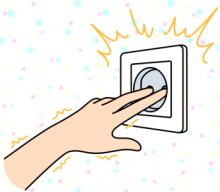


**safety
first**

ELECTRICAL SAFETY

Electricity is helpful. It provides energy that we use to light our homes and operate lots of other things but it can be very dangerous. We can avoid accidents by following these simple safety tips.

NEVER stick fingers, toys or other objects into an electrical outlet. You might get hurt by electricity.



NEVER place hair tools or other electronics near the bathtub or shower. Electricity and water are dangerous partners!



NEVER pull a plug from an outlet by its cord. Electricity could jump from the cord and give you a zap.



NEVER place your drinks on top of video games or other electronics. They can spill easily and you may get zapped by electricity.



STAY AWAY from places marked with warning signs. These places are very dangerous, even for adults!



NEVER climb trees near power lines. You might touch one by mistake and get zapped.



Anytime you need to use something that needs electricity, **ask an adult for help!** Remember, you can never be too safe!



BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Our classes helped their teachers decorate their doors in celebration of Black History Month.





A NOTE FROM THE NURSE



Head Lice Fact Sheet

Each year approximately 6 to 12 million children between the ages of 3 and 12 years of age are infested with head lice. While the odds of your son or daughter developing head lice are relatively small, the following includes useful information on how to spot and treat this condition.

What are head lice?

Head lice are small parasitic insects that survive by removing small amounts of blood from the scalp every few hours. Generally found close to the scalp, primarily around the ears and at the back of the neck, the adult louse is about the size of a sesame seed and can be the color of your child's hair. Eggs, or nits, are smaller and are silver in color.

What are the symptoms of head lice?

The most common symptom of head lice is itching caused by an allergic reaction to the louse saliva. There may be redness or sores caused by scratching. Your child may be irritable and experience sleeplessness.

How common are head lice?

About one in every 100 U.S. elementary school children will be infested with head lice in any given year. Infestation can occur throughout the year, although a peak is generally experienced during summer and back-to-school time periods. Girls are more likely than boys to become infested because of sharing personal hair items.

How do you get head lice?

Lice are "equal opportunity" parasites. They infest all socioeconomic groups, races, genders and ages, but are more commonly found in children due to their close contact with each other. While head lice are not considered an infectious disease, spread from one child to another can occur primarily through direct head to head contact or secondarily through the sharing of personal items such as hats, scarves, helmets, brushes, combs or pillows. It is important for you to know that lice are not a sign of poor hygiene and they do not spread disease. If someone in your child's class at school develops head lice, there is no reason to panic and automatically assume that your child will "catch" head lice.

How do I know if my child has head lice?

Diagnosis of head lice is made on the basis of symptoms and confirmed through the identification of a live louse on the head. If your child is scratching his or her head, and you see red bite marks, sores, lice or nits on their scalp, he or she should be examined by a medical professional.

How do I prevent head lice?

While preventing head lice entirely can be difficult, children should avoid head to head contact during lice outbreaks. Secondly, parents should discourage their children from sharing personal items such as hats, scarves, headbands, helmets, brushes, combs or pillows to decrease the likelihood of spread from one person to another. All recently worn clothing, hats, bedding, and towels used by anyone having lice or thought to be exposed to lice can be washed in hot water (130°) or dry cleaned. Personal care items such as combs, brushes and hair clips should also be washed in hot water. Toys such as stuffed animals can be placed in a hot dryer for 30 minutes or in a plastic bag for 2 weeks.

How can I treat head lice?

Treatments for head lice include:

- Over-the-Counter (OTC) products
- Prescription products
- Alternative therapies — natural and herbal. These products have not been proven effective and are not regulated by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).
- Nit picking (hair combing) with a fine-tooth comb is often used to remove the nits (eggs) from the hair. Combing takes time and patience. While it may remove the eggs or empty shells, alone, it is not considered an effective treatment for head lice.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

We recognized our students of the month for January at our February Community Morning Meeting!

Kindergarten & Pre-K: Tanner Ayo, Vivienne Dufrene, Charlotte Duplantis, Dean Griffin, Piper Hebert, KyRee Henderson, August Pierre & Londyn Polk

First Grade: Joseph Aucoin, Sonya Chauffe, Kambrie Cressionie, Colin Irons, Lucas Junot & Zi Wang

Second Grade: Evelyn Barbre, Caroline Carrigan, Landon Line, Adaleigh Nugent, Seven Price, Parker Rojas & Everleigh Scully

Congratulations to all of you!



Excited about Enrichment March 2026



P.E. with Mr. Paradise & Ms. Crutti	We are celebrating Healthy Hearts and we are jumping rope, single and double ropes. We are also continuing to review our healthy food choices and discussing the importance of healthy eating habits in relation to a healthy heart.
Art with Mrs. Matherne	Visual Art students at Mimosa have continued to learn about color. We have focused on Terrance Osborne, a New Orleans artist, who uses many colors in his artwork. We will continue to explore the Elements of Art in their work.
Music with Mrs. Pepperman	This month, first grade musicians will begin memorizing their parts for the spring concert. Kindergarten and second grade musicians will continue learning about musical elements and ensemble skills.



TEACHER
OF THE MONTH
KELLY BABIN



SUPPORT STAFF
OF THE MONTH
LORI GONZALES

JANUARY 2026

Thank you for all you do to
help our students bloom!



Reminder

Wednesday,
March 11th is a
Professional
Learning Day for
teachers and
staff. No school
for students
this day!

SAY IT:

Humility: Putting others first by giving up what you think you deserve

Humility

KNOW IT:

ASK A GROWN-UP:

- Tell me about a person you know who has shown humility.
- What are some ways you have tried to put others first in your life?

ASK A KID:

- Can you think of any of your classmates who demonstrate humility?
- What are some ways you can show humility at home or at school?



SEE IT:

There are many great examples of people who have displayed humility throughout history. One great example is a lady named Mother Teresa. Mother Teresa was a Catholic nun who dedicated her life to serving "the poorest of the poor" in Calcutta, India. Not only did she personally serve this community, she also founded the Missionaries of Charity and empowered many others to serve with humility, as well.

Watch this short biography about Mother Teresa and learn more about how she put others first: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mzHI3X88kbM>

BE IT:

Talk about some other great leaders who showed humility by putting others first. Set a family goal to do something in the community to help someone in need. Reach out to a local non-profit organization or the school counselor to find out how your family can serve others in need and demonstrate humility.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 2nd Grade Lunches →	2 Playgroup 10:00 AM	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 Playgroup 10:00 AM Pre-K Artsperience	10	11 Professional Learning Day No school for students	12	13 Cake Bingo 6-8 End of Q3	14
15	16 Playgroup 10:00 AM	17 PICNIC WITH PELICANS St. Patty's Day Dress down Wear green	18	19	20 Community Morning Meeting Quarter 3 Pelican Awards	21
22	23 Playgroup 10:00 AM	24 Report cards sent home	25	26	27	28
29	30 Playgroup 10:00 AM	31	MARCH 2026			

March 2026 Elementary Menus

St. Charles Parish Public Schools

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The Realm Rises with Breakfast

15+ million students participate
in the School Breakfast
Program in the United States.

AVAILABLE DAILY

With all meals
Low Fat White Milk
Fat Free Flavored Milk

Cold Lunch Choice

Monday: Sunbutter Sandwich
Tuesday: Charley Box
Weds.: Deli Sandwich
Thursday: Entrée Salad
Friday: Sunbutter Sandwich



Every complete
meal we serve comes with
your choice of low fat or
nonfat milk!

Monday, March 2 Breakfast Pancake on a Stick Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Cal Blend Veggies Baked Apples	Tuesday, March 3 Breakfast Chicken Biscuit Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Hamburger/Cheeseburger Crinkle Cut Fries Lettuce/Tomato/Pickle Baked Beans Orange Wedges	Wednesday, March 4 Breakfast French Toast Sticks Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Chili, Fritos Garden Salad Steamed Corn Banana Cake or Crisp	Thursday, March 5 Breakfast Sausage Biscuit Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Jambalaya Broccoli Florets Steamed Carrots WW Roll Pineapple Tidbits	Friday, March 6 Breakfast Egg Bites Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Fish Nuggets Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans Cucumber & Tomato Salad Pear Halves
Monday, March 9 Breakfast Grits or Parfait Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Chicken Tenders Waffles Green Beans Steamed Carrots Sliced Peaches	Tuesday, March 10 Breakfast Chicken Biscuit Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Orange Chicken Fried Rice Asian Chopped Salad Edamame Beans Mandarin Oranges	Wednesday, March 11 	Thursday, March 12 Breakfast Sausage Biscuit Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Turkey & Sausage Gumbo Steamed Rice Potato Salad Cucumber/Tomato Salad Pineapple Tidbits	Friday, March 13 Breakfast Scone Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Bosco Sticks Marinara Sauce Cup Green Beans Orange Wedges Jello w/Whip Topping

Monday, March 16 Breakfast Confetti Pancakes Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Totchos Green Beans Applesauce Corn Bread	Tuesday, March 17 Breakfast Chicken Biscuit Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes Steamed Corn Dinner Roll Apple Wedges	Wednesday, March 18 Breakfast French Toast Sticks Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Potato Soup Cheddar Goldfish Garden Salad Banana Brownie	Thursday, March 19 Breakfast Sausage Biscuit Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Mesquite Chicken Legs Mac & Cheese Broccoli Florets Baked Beans Pineapple Tidbits	Friday, March 20 Breakfast Waffle Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Fish Nuggets Crinkle Cut Fries Carrot & Celery Sticks Orange Wedges
Monday, March 23 Breakfast Grits or Parfait Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Red Beans w/Steamed Rice Steamed Carrots Seasoned Mustard Greens Cornbread Peaches	Tuesday, March 24 Breakfast Chicken Biscuit Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Nachos w/Cheese Steamed Corn Refried Beans Salsa Apple Wedges	Wednesday, March 25 Breakfast Cinnamon Roll Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Manager's Choice	Thursday, March 26 Breakfast Sausage Biscuit Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Turkey Stew Steamed Rice Carrot Soufflé Steamed Cabbage Strawberry Cup	Friday, March 27 Breakfast Donut Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Fresh Hot Pizza Marinara Sauce Garden Salad Orange Wedges Cookie

Monday, March 30 Breakfast Breakfast Pizza Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Chicken Filet Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Applesauce	Tuesday, March 31 Breakfast Chicken Biscuit Cereal w/Graham Crackers Yogurt w/Tiger Bites Fruit or Juice Choice Lunch Chicken Alfredo Broccoli Florets Steamed Carrots Pear Halves
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Eating a Complete Breakfast

Eating a whole breakfast improves
children's alertness, focus and memory.

Ready for the Journey Ahead

Students who participate in school
breakfast programs show improved
attendance and academic
performance.

Sharp Minds Lead the Way

School breakfast helps
students complete challenging
mental tasks and boosts
problem-solving abilities.



A Smarter Start Wins the Day

Students who eat breakfast the
morning of a standardized test achieve
17.5% higher scores than those who do
not eat breakfast.

Strong Starts Shape the Future

Students who regularly
eat breakfast are more
likely to build positive,
life-long eating habits and
maintain a healthier body
weight.

