

# Leila G. Davis Elementary School

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## A Message From Mrs. Hill

October has been a very busy month here at Davis Elementary! It is hard to believe that the first marking period is over. Progress reports for students in kindergarten - fifth grade went home on Wednesday. With a quarter of the school year already over, now is a good time to reflect on your child's academic progress. Celebrate your child's successes and set some goals for areas of improvement. If you have not already had a conference with your child's teacher, I encourage you to schedule one in the coming weeks. Collaboration with your child's teacher is essential to bridge the connection between home and school.

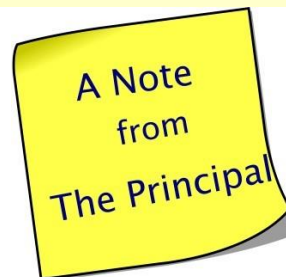
Mr. Durst and I enjoy visiting classrooms each day and watching our scholars happily engaged in learning. Each day they are striving to become the best readers, writers, mathematicians, and scientists. Many of our scholars were honored at our first ROAR Rally a couple of weeks ago for displaying our Guidelines for Success (Respect, On Task, Aim High, Responsible).

This week Davis Elementary was awarded the Judge Karl Grube Extra Mile Award for our Walk to School event earlier this month. This award is given to schools that promote pedestrian safety and have outstanding participation in our annual Walk to School event. We thank Judge Karl Grube and All Children's Hospital for recognizing us with this award.

November and December will be very busy months on our campus. PTA will be hosting our annual Bingo Night on November 13<sup>th</sup>. Information will be sent home soon with details. Bingo Night is always a big event with food, fellowship, bingo, and of course, prizes. We hope to see many families attend. On November 19<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting the Great American Teach In. We encourage parents, grandparents, and friends to share their careers

and talents with our students. A flyer about the Teach In is included in this newsletter. Please contact Angelle Gellers, Family & Community Liaison, if you are interested in participating. Her email address is [gallersa@pcsb.org](mailto:gallersa@pcsb.org). Our Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast and PE Turkey Trot will also be happening at the end of the month before Thanksgiving break.

We are beginning to see an increase in tardies from many of our students in the morning. Please remember students must be in their classrooms at 8:35AM each morning. Family vacations, heavy traffic, and oversleeping are considered unexcused tardies/absences. The most crucial learning hours of a school day are the morning hours, when students are most attentive. Students who are tardy miss the beginning of their morning classes, and they also cause a distraction when they arrive late to the classroom. Research shows that students who are frequently tardy have lower GPAs, lower scores on standardized assessments, and lower graduation rates. Chronic tardiness in elementary and middle school is also linked to failure in high school. The classroom experience is of unique value and cannot be duplicated by make-up work, so please take the time to familiarize yourself with the tardy and attendance policy posted in this newsletter. Thank you again for your continued support!



## ATTENDANCE—IT IS THE LAW

School Board policy states that students have to attend school regularly. Where things get a bit confusing and unclear is when we start thinking about absences, tardies, and early sign-outs. Below is the policy in regards to student attendance.

To be counted as present for the school day, a student must be in attendance for at least one half of the day. Students must be in school unless the absence, tardy or early sign-out is excused.\*

To be **excused**, an absence, tardy, or early sign-out must meet one of the following criteria:

- A. The student is ill or injured.
- B. There is major illness in the immediate family (parents, siblings, grandparents living in the home)
- C. There is a death in the immediate family.
- D. The student attends religious instruction or there is a religious holiday in the student's own faith.
- E. The student is required by summons, subpoena, or court order to appear in court. Document must be provided to principal.
- F. Special Events. The student must get permission from the principal at least five days prior to the absence.
- G. The student has a scheduled medical or dental appointment.
- H. Students having, or suspected of having, a communicable disease or infestation which can be transmitted are to be excluded from school and are not allowed to return to school until they no longer present a health hazard.

Absences due to illness needs to be called into our absence line 727-725-7972 X 2300.

*A pattern of unexcused absences or tardies will be referred to our school's Child Study Team.*

## **Thanksgiving at Davis!**

We will be serving Thanksgiving dinner for lunch here at Davis on November 18<sup>th</sup>. Turkey, mashed potatoes & gravy, corn, and a cookie dessert will be on the menu. Parents are welcome to join the fun! Adult meals are \$3.25. Hope you can make it!

## **Important Dates**



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| November 1     | Daylight Savings Time<br>Set Clocks BACK                              |
| November 6     | McDonald's Night 5-7pm<br>Specialist teachers will be there.          |
| November 12    | All Pro Dads Meeting<br>7:30am Media Center                           |
| November 13    | PTA Bingo Night<br>6:30-8pm Free pizza and prize!                     |
| November 14    | K-Kids Meeting 7:45am   |
| November 18    | Turkey dinner for lunch<br>Join your child for lunch in the cafeteria |
| November 19    | Great American Teach-In   |
| November 20    | Domino's Night  |
| November 21    | Turkey Trot<br>Newsletter available                                   |
| November 24-28 | NO SCHOOL<br>Thanksgiving Break                                       |
| December 1     | Return to school  |

## **DON'T FORGET ABOUT THE TIME CHANGE**

Daylight Savings ends next weekend so don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before bed on Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Join our Email List!**

If you have not already done so, please visit our school website at <http://www.davis-es.pinellas.k12.fl.us/> and click on Join the LGD Email List to receive valuable and up-to-date information on all the happenings here at Davis.

## Class/Program Sponsorship

### Davis Dreamers (\$300 and above)

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\*If you are interested in adopting a class, please see the front office or your child's teacher for more details.



## Student Council Sponsors Red Ribbon Week!

Student Council would like to thank everyone who dressed up for Red Ribbon Week. We had a lot of fun dressing up and Saying No to Drugs.



## Media Center News

I have had the chance to work with several classes this month researching a variety of topics. We have been using Kids InfoBits as an online site for research. Pinellas County students have access to this site at school and at home. Kids InfoBits meets the research needs of students in grades K-5.



### Gale Databases / Kids Info Bits

<http://access.gale.com/pinellas/access.html>

From the Elementary drop down list choose  
"Leila G. Davis"

Mrs. Scott, Media Technology Specialist  
[scottsha@pcsb.org](mailto:scottsha@pcsb.org)

## What is STEM?

STEM is an acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. The PCS STEM Academies offer rigorous programs for children grades 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> emphasizing:

- Student engagement in science, technology, engineering, and math in multiple ways in a supportive and engaging environment.
- Development of student knowledge and application of STEM content and processes.
- Collaboration and learning from other students and from the STEM professionals.
- Promotion of academic success and higher education.
- Encouragement of student interest in additional STEM learning opportunities and careers.

The 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students who are involved in STEM have the opportunity to build robots, write code, learn what it means to be an entrepreneur, and create ideas on how to make changes to their thinking. We will be traveling on a STEM journey throughout the school year that will not only challenge our students, but will encourage them to be more in depth thinkers. At the end of the year, we will have a STEM showcase at USF. We hope that you have the opportunity to come out and see our fantastic STEM thinkers!

## Music Notes

### Chorus

Our “Jingle Bell Jukebox” tunes are sounding great, and students should know soon whether they are singing part 1 or part 2. Please utilize the sound files on the Chorus course web page in FOCUS to practice the music. Contact Mr. Martinez if you are having problems accessing the online files or if you would prefer to receive a rehearsal CD.

We now have TWO dates to save for performances: Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> (time TBA) in downtown Safety Harbor for the Kiwanis Arts and Crafts Show, and Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm at Heritage United Methodist Church. Also, if students did not purchase a Davis Chorus polo, please be sure to have a plain royal blue shirt (polo style preferred) to wear for performances along with black pants.

### Kindergarten and First Grade

Mark your calendars for our Winter Arts Night - Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 here at school. Our Kindergarten and First Grade students will be performing on the covered court and we will have arts activities and sweet treats inside. We hope you can join us!

### Recorders

Recorders will be arriving sometime soon. Third grade teachers will let students know when to bring in their recorders if they did not purchase one through the school.

### “Bach” to the Future

Attention 2<sup>nd</sup> graders: If you take private music lessons on piano, guitar, or violin, you could have a special spot in our show in March! Keep practicing your Bach music and contact Mr. Martinez for details.

### Song of the Month

The group performance of “The Star-Spangled Banner” at the ROAR Rally was spectacular! The students have finished learning “This Land is Your Land” and will be working on “America” (“My Country ‘tis of Thee”) during the month of November.

Mr. Martinez and Mrs. Dykes

## The Paint Palette

Hello Bear Cub families! The art room would love a handful of hardware from your junk drawer or garage for our robots! Anything that you think could belong to robot, like washers, nails, screws, bolts, nuts, anchors, etc., we would greatly appreciate! Broken computer parts, like missing keys from the keyboard, CDs, cd cases, colored wires, tubing, etc. works too. Thank you for helping us be creative in the art room with all your findings!

I am so happy you and your children are enjoying Artsonia. It's such a great website to showcase their artwork! I will be starting winter themed projects with each grade very soon so they will be published before the holiday season and you can purchase great Christmas presents from the gift shop for friends and families and get them delivered in a timely manner.

I know some parents have been anxiously waiting for their children to bring home their work, but the projects we create in class will be held for that semester. After report cards go home, their projects will shortly follow, unless I am holding onto them for a show.

Thank you again for all your support with the Arts! I'm glad to be part of the Davis family!

Creatively yours,  
Miss Sullivan

## Construction to Begin... Again

We are about ready to enter yet another construction project on the Davis campus! While it is not the most ideal time to have construction going on, we are in desperate need of a new roof! The roofing project is set to begin the week of November 3<sup>rd</sup> and last until sometime in March (pending good weather). We are working closely with contractors and district maintenance personnel to minimize the impact on daily operations at Davis. However, there may be times where traffic patterns or walking paths need to be rerouted. We will keep you posted on any changes that may impact students or parents through automated phone calls and/or posted signage on campus. We ask for your patience and flexibility during this project.



## Great American Teach In

The time is approaching for the annual Duke Energy "Great American Teach In," which is a part of Pinellas County Public Schools' annual Education celebration. This educational event is a special opportunity for members of the community to participate in speaking to several classes for an hour, a few hours, or the entire day. Participants are able to provide a personal perspective on their career choice, trades, or personal experiences pertaining to education or overcoming obstacles personally or professionally.

This year's event is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 19, 2014**. We are seeking individuals with dynamic personalities, as well as their insight on the importance of an education, hard work, and the determination to succeed no matter what the circumstance. Our goal during this educational experience is to provide a new perspective from the community that will inspire, motivate, and stimulate our youth to think above and beyond their present stance.

If this sounds like something you would like to participate in, please contact Angelle Gallers at [gallersa@pcsb.org](mailto:gallersa@pcsb.org) or your child's teacher for a registration form.



## Goodbye Head Plant Operator, Jeff Wasilewski

Jeff has taken a position with Oak Grove Middle School and his last day with us will be November 21<sup>st</sup>. Jeff has been instrumental in making Davis a place we are proud of. He works tirelessly to ensure that our campus is a welcoming place and that all of the little details are taken care of.

## Let Us Recognize...

This is the time of the year when Pinellas County Schools seek nominations for Support Employee of the Year and Outstanding Educator of the Year. We have many, many outstanding staff members (both support and instructional) who support the success of Davis scholars year after year. While the hard work and dedication of every staff member does not go unnoticed, we only can select two outstanding staff members. After nominations were submitted by staff and parents we have two excellent candidates that will represent Davis this year.

**Tina Jarrett, Certified Nursing Assistant, is our Support Employee of the Year nominee.** Her thorough work in the clinic and willingness to jump in and help whenever needed demonstrates her ongoing commitment to our Davis community.

**Krista Lemon, Fourth Grade Teacher, is our Outstanding Educator of the Year nominee.** Her passion for student learning, taking risks by trying out new teaching strategies, and the commitment to professional growth are just a few qualities that show her dedication to teaching and learning for all students.

Both Tina and Mrs. Lemon are excellent nominees to represent Davis. We wish them the best of luck in the district competition.

We would also like to recognize our **Business Partner of the Year, Heritage United Methodist Church**. They have worked with us so that we can have use of the parking lot and the facility for our large events. The majority of our mentors come from HUMC. They are a BIG part of our Bear Cub Family and we are so happy to nominate them for the 2014-2015 school year.

## Volunteer of the Month

**Ann Spear**

Our volunteer of the month for October is a great help in the Media Center. From relabeling books to shelving to organizing library folders, Mrs. Spear really makes Mrs. Scott's life easier. Thanks so much for all that you do!



## Media Center Collections

Don't forget to collect those Box Tops. This year each teacher is collecting Box Tops to earn an iPad or tablet for the classroom. Each Box Top helps to reach the goal! We have collected over 13,000 so far this year and that puts our teachers much closer to earning technology for their classrooms. The next collection date is November 21<sup>st</sup>.



## Class Pumpkin Decorating

Room parents did a fabulous job decorating pumpkins with the classes. This year we did things a little bit differently. We decided to partner with K-Kids and do a joint fundraiser for Breast Cancer Awareness. K-Kids sold pink lollipops and ribbons in the mornings. PTA asked the students to bring in change and use that to "vote" for their favorite class pumpkins. The kids really enjoyed selecting their favorites and being able to vote for more than one pumpkin. In two days, our school raised \$1060! The winners of the pumpkin decorating contest were:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place: Mrs. Burr \$63.17
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Mrs. Valby \$50.89
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Mrs. Flament \$45.73
- 4<sup>th</sup> place: Ms. Spencer \$35.92
- 5<sup>th</sup> place: Mrs. Brkljadic \$34.68
- 6<sup>th</sup> place: Mrs. Peterson \$31.68
- Honorable Mention: Mrs. Hewlett \$29.19



## From the School Nurse

Many households at this time of the year are a whirlwind of after-school activities, sleepovers, field trips, and visits to the grocery store. Managing such a busy schedule is no easy task and can seem even more difficult if someone in your house gets the flu. That's why it's important that you consider having your entire household vaccinated against influenza every year.

Now is the time to protect your family with a seasonal influenza vaccination. You can make an appointment with your health-care provider or go to the Pinellas County Department of Health.

Influenza is a serious, contagious respiratory illness. Each year, approximately 5-20 percent of U.S. residents get the flu - or 16 to 63 million people. Each year in the U.S., on average, influenza and its related complications result in approximately 226,000 hospitalizations. Depending on virus severity during the influenza season, deaths can range from 3,000 to a high of about 49,000 people. Flu season in the U.S. can begin as early as October, usually peaks around January and February, but may not until as late as May.

Talk to your children and caregivers about the importance of washing your hands. While alcohol based sanitizers are convenient, they do not work against many microbes our families are being exposed to. Nothing replaces the use of soap, water and good lather. Hand washing is like a "do-it-yourself" vaccine—it involves five simple and effective steps (think Wet, Lather, Scrub, Rinse, Dry) you can take to reduce the spread of diarrheal and respiratory illness so you can stay healthy. Regular hand washing, particularly before and after certain activities, is one of the best ways to remove germs, avoid getting sick, and prevent the spread of germs to others. Please see the attached sheets on how to be better prepared to prevent and handle any illness that may come your way.

Pinellas County Schools require children to be fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications before returning to school after an illness.

Let's all have a healthy year!

# The PTA Page

October 2014



## Message from our President

What a busy year we are having! This month alone we have had many great events at Davis. The free night at Gatti Town for PTA members was a huge hit – we had over 200 people attend and enjoy a free meal and fun. Then we had our first All Pro Dads Kickball game. Despite the rainy weather, we had a great turn out and the students had a BLAST! We hope to do this event again later this year so others can participate.

We just finished our annual Trunk or Treat last week. We had the biggest turn out to date with over 30 trunks participating. A BIG thank you to all the families who decorated their trunks and to those who donated candy. Everyone had a great time and we are looking forward to next year's event.

We have had a ROAR Rally where many students were honored for their achievements this year and we hosted a Walk to School day with a couple hundred students walking to school. There is more fun to come in the months to follow with Bingo Night, Movie Night, and the Book Fair – to name a few. We look forward to seeing you there.

Amy Christensen, Davis PTA President

## Campbell's Soup Labels

We are collecting Campbell Soup Labels. By collecting these labels our school can earn educational equipment. Please include the bar code when sending in these labels. We do NOT receive credit for these labels without the bar code.

## BINGO NIGHT

Families,  
Be sure to mark your calendar to join us on November 13<sup>th</sup> for our BINGO night. This evening is our gift to our families. We provide free pizza, popcorn, and BINGO (with prizes). The event starts at 6:30 and will end at 8:00 in the Cafeteria. Be sure to RSVP. The RSVP forms will be coming home in the blue folders.

## MOVIE NIGHT IS COMING SOON

Parents,  
Every year the PTA hosts a FREE movie night – that's right, FREE. We bring out a huge movie screen on the PE court and serve you popcorn and hot chocolate. This is a fun family event. You can bring your blankets or lawn chairs to sit and watch the movie. Feel free to bring snacks or dinner along too. This year's movie is Rio 2. The movie night will begin at 7:00 pm. We will be handing out glow sticks to the students. We hope you will join us for this fun event. Mark your calendars for Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.



## THANK YOU TO THESE GREAT SPONSORS:



## DISCOUNTS FOR PTA MEMBERS

Two of our sponsors are offering specials for the month of November to all PTA members: Poblano's Mexican Grill is offering 20% off your bill. 2451 N. McMullen Booth Rd., Clearwater

Perfect Nails – 20% off any manicure or pedicure, one time for new customers only.  
3101 State Road 580, Suite C, Safety Harbor

## Calendar of Events

### November & December Dates to Remember

Tues	4 <sup>th</sup>	Limo Ride for Fundraiser Winners
Thurs	13 <sup>th</sup>	BINGO night 6:30 - 8:00
Wed	19 <sup>th</sup>	Great American Teach In
Nov.	24-28	Thanksgiving Break, No School
Fri	5 <sup>th</sup>	Movie Night - 7:00 on PE Court
Wed	10 <sup>th</sup>	ROAR Rally at 8:40 am
Dec	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Winter Break - School's Out



# Handwashing: A Family Activity

## Keeping Kids & Adults Healthy



**Handwashing is an easy, inexpensive, and effective way to prevent the spread of germs and keep people healthy.**

For kids, washing hands can be a fun and entertaining activity. It is simple enough for even very young children to understand. Handwashing gives children and adults a chance to take an active role in their own health. Once kids learn how to properly wash their hands, they can—and often do—show their parents and siblings and encourage them to wash hands, too.

Parents can help keep their families healthy by:

- Teaching them good handwashing technique
- Reminding their kids to wash their hands
- Washing their own hands with their kids

### Improving Health

- Handwashing education in the community:
  - » Reduces the number of people who get sick with diarrhea by 31%
  - » Reduces diarrheal illness in people with weakened immune systems by 58%
  - » Reduces respiratory illnesses, like colds, in the general population by 21%

### Saving Time and Money

- Handwashing is one of the best ways to avoid getting sick and spreading illness to others.
- Reducing illness increases productivity due to:
  - » Less time spent at the doctor's office
  - » More time spent at work or school

### Helping Families Thrive

Children who have been taught handwashing at school bring that knowledge home to parents and siblings. This can help family members get sick less often and miss less work and school.

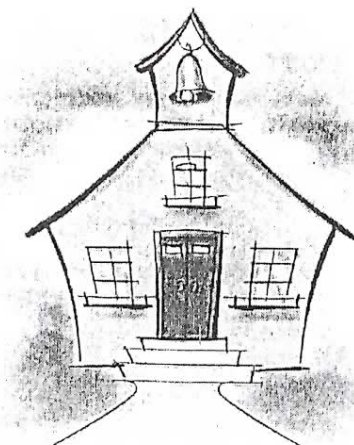
*Despite widespread knowledge of the importance of handwashing, there is still room for improvement. A recent study showed that only 31% of men and 65% of women washed their hands after using a public restroom.*

**For more details, visit [www.cdc.gov/handwashing](http://www.cdc.gov/handwashing).**



Department of Health and Human Services  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention





## School Health Guidelines for Exclusion

If you think that your child has an illness that can be spread to others, please keep him or her home from school. Contact your health care provider for further assistance.

School Health Services  
727-588-6320.

School Exclusion List indicates for which illnesses a child **must be excluded from, or kept out of, school.**

It also indicates when medical notes are necessary for children to return to school after certain illnesses.

### Exclusion Criteria Based Upon Sign and Symptoms

#### Fever

Exclude if oral temp is 101 or above, or if axillary/tympanic temp is greater than 100. Must be fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication before returning.

#### Vomiting

Exclude if vomiting 2 or more times in 24-hour period. Exclude for the following day unless vomiting is known to be caused by a condition that is not contagious.

#### Diarrhea

Exclude if two or more loose stools in 24-hour period. Return to school when 24 hours pass without diarrheal stool.

#### Diarrhea with blood or mucous

Exclude with 1 or more loose stools with blood or mucous.

#### Localized skin infection

Exclude from contact sports, Exclude from school only if lesion cannot be covered until medical clearance is given.

#### Generalized rash of unknown origin

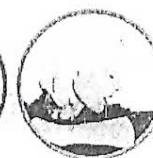
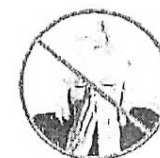
Exclude until rash is resolved or medical clearance is given.

If you have any questions about this list, please contact your child's school or the Pinellas County School Health Services department at 727-588-6320.

For more information, visit our website at [www.pcsb.org](http://www.pcsb.org)

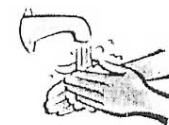
**The best protection from disease  
is PREVENTION!**

Make sure your children receive  
their  
immunizations  
on time ...



...cough  
or sneeze  
into  
your  
sleeves...

...and wash hands  
frequently with  
soap and warm  
water



## A Quick Reference Guide for Parents

- Please keep your child home from school if he or she has one of the conditions or illnesses listed below.
- Report your child's absence to their school and consult their healthcare provider.
- Most of the conditions and illnesses are reportable to the Health Department during outbreaks only. *Illnesses noted (\*) are reportable for single cases*

### Conjunctivitis (Pink-eye)

Children who have pink or red eyes with white or yellow discharge- often with matted eyelids after sleep and eye pain or redness of the eyelids or skin surrounding the eye may have Purulent Conjunctivitis. They should be **excluded from school** while symptomatic or until 24 hours after antibiotic treatment. A medical note is required to return to school.

Children with pink eyes who have a clear, watery discharge without fever, eye pain, or eyelid redness **do not need** to be kept home.

### Fifth Disease (Erythema Infectiosum)

The primary symptom of this illness is a rash, characterized by "slapped face" appearance and there is no specified exclusion for cases. Pregnant women and immune-compromised persons should seek medical advice.

### Head Lice

Children should be **excluded from school** if they are experiencing head scratching and **live lice or nits** are present. The parent must bring the child to be examined in order to return to school.

### Hepatitis A\*

Children should be excluded until one week after the onset of jaundice or illness.

### Influenza-Like-Illness

Children with fever, cough and/or sore throat should be **excluded until symptoms resolved**.

### Measles\*

Children with fever, reddened eyes, runny nose, cough, dusky-red blotchy rash on day 3 or 4, should be **excluded until 4 days after onset of rash**.

### Meningitis\*

Bacterial/Viral - Children experiencing high fever, headache, and stiff neck should be excluded until recovered. **\*Bacterial Meningitis is Immediately reportable to Health Department.**

### Mononucleosis

Exclusion recommended until a medical note to return to school and/or resume physical activities is required.

### Mumps\*

**Initially excluded.** Children may return 5 days after the onset of parotid gland swelling.

### Pertussis\*

Children should be **excluded until 5 days of appropriate antibiotic therapy**, with a note from the healthcare provider.

### Rubella (German Measles)\*

**Initially excluded.** Child should remain at home until 6 days after onset of rash, with a note from the healthcare provider.

### Scabies

Children with this condition should **remain out of school until 24 hours after application of appropriate scabicide treatment** has been completed.

### Staphylococcal or streptococcal skin infections. (Includes MRSA)

**Exclude children from school whose lesions cannot be covered.** If lesion can be covered exclude from contact sports only.

**Impetigo-** May return 24 hours after treatment started, but areas/sores must remain covered.

### Streptococcal pharyngitis (strep throat)

Children can return to school 24 hours after starting antibiotic treatment if there is no fever.

### Tinea Capitis (Ringworm of the scalp)

Children must be **excluded from school until an oral antifungal treatment is initiated**.

### Tinea Corporis (Ringworm of the body)

Children should be **excluded from school until an oral or topical antifungal treatment is initiated**, unless the affected area can be completely covered.

### Tuberculosis\*

Children with this condition must be **excluded from school until the local health department and treating physician state that the student is noninfectious**.

### Varicella (Chickenpox)\*

Children should be excluded from school until all lesions have dried and crusted (usually 7 days/1 week after the onset of the rash).

### Varicella Herpes Zoster (Shingles)

Keep children home who have lesions/sores/blisters that cannot be covered. Child may return to school once all lesions are dried/crusted.

If you have any questions about this list, please contact your child's school nurse or the Pinellas County School Health Services department at 727-588-6320.