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James B. Sanderlin PK-8 Sea Turtle Tidings

December/January 2019/2020

At A Glance

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Mission:

Sanderlin IB World School is committed to teaching and learning with the brain and heart in mind. Our community of active, lifelong learners will use an inquiry approach through our challenging programs to become internationally-minded citizens.

Dear Sanderlin Sea Turtle Learning Community,

It is hard to believe that we are only a few short weeks from Winter Break and the end of our first semester. It has flown by! Although these upcoming weeks will be quick and full of excitement, these are still very critical instructional weeks on our campus. Please ensure that you are bringing your child to school every school day and on time. We want to be sure that we don't lose any instructional momentum. For our MYP students, mid-term exams will be taking place in the days leading up to Winter Break and we want these students to be as prepared as possible for success. Please do not schedule vacation time before the break starts.

This time of the year, it is important for us to be considerate of our International Baccalaureate school population and understand that we are all coming from different and diverse backgrounds. As a result, we will continue to focus on our core IB principles of taking action. You will continue to see our food drive in full effect and also some other efforts to ensure that we are contributing to our local and global society. These are the ways that we ask you to celebrate this season at Sanderlin and continue to respect our policies around NO parties or holiday celebrations.

We appreciate your continued support of our high quality, rigorous instruction at Sanderlin. Let's make the end of this semester a strong finish and the beginning of the next a strong start for our Sanderlin Sea Turtles!

Sincerely,

Carrie L. Armstrong

Principal, Sanderlin K-8 IB World School



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Special Dates to Remember

- December 5 2nd grade field trip to the Museum of Fine Arts, 10:15 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; PTSA Board Meeting, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- December 6 5th grade field trip to Enterprise Village, 8:55 a.m.-3:05 p.m.; 6th grade field trip to Physics Day at Busch Gardens, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.
- December 10 1st grade field trip to Astro Skate, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; 5th grade Roundtable, 2:30 or 3:30; PYP & MYP Chorus Performance at the Sundial (downtown), 6-7:30 p.m.
- December 11 - 4th grade field trip to Cracker Country, 9 a.m.-3:45 p.m.
- December 12 Coffee, Tea & IB, 9-10 a.m. in the HUB
- December 17 5th grade SUNN field trip to Bay News 9, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.; Winter Chorus Concert, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Le Bistro
- December 20th End of 2nd marketing period, end of 1st semester
- December 23-January 6 Winter Break
- January 7 2nd semester begins
- January 8-17 District Application Period
- January 9 PTSA Board Meeting, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- January 21 Report cards are in FOCUS
- January 31 MYP only Astro Skate Night, 6-8 p.m.

These times they are a-changing

In our continuing efforts to "go green", report cards will no longer be printed out and sent home with students. The next report card will be released in FOCUS on January 21st. When you log into FOCUS, you will find access to your child's report card on the lower left area of the screen.

Changes in Transportation

Any change in your child's regular method of transportation at the end of the day MUST be in writing! This is to ensure that there is no confusion with your child, your child's teacher, and the staff members working the car or bus areas in how your child is getting home on a given day. You can write the change either in your child's agenda, in a note brought into the office, or an email to your child's teacher and Ms. Bott (botttd@pcsb.org). If you call the office with a "last minute" request, you will be asked to send an email to the front office staff.

Newsletter Emailed Once per Month!

In our efforts to "go green", our Turtle Tidings newsletter will be emailed to parent email addresses in FOCUS and posted on our web page. Please keep up with all the activities by checking the calendar in FOCUS & our PTSA & school's web page! Thanks for your support!

****It is very important that your current home and business telephone numbers, as well as two emergency contacts always be on file in the school office.**

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Fall Book Fair Success!

Sanderlin is a community of readers - and our readers love the book fair! Thank you to all volunteers, parents, guardians, grandparents and students who helped make this one particularly successful. The PTSA made over \$1,600 in profit, which will go directly to teachers, classrooms and programs for Sanderlin students. This book fair also provided the HUB with hundreds of dollars' worth of new books for the library shelves, and inspired plenty of students to read, read, read! The PTSA's book fair will be back in the Spring.

District Applications Programs (Mark Your Calendar)

Apply for the 2020-2021 school year January 8-17, 2020

For those wishing to enter a magnet or fundamental school, you can go on the District's Student Reservation System any time between January 8-17, 2020, when the application period is open. **All PK, 5th & 8th grade must apply, even if you wish to remain in your current school, if applicable.**

Acceptance Period: February 13-22, 2020

During the Acceptance Period, if you received an invitation to a school of your choice, *you must go back into the Student Reservations System and accept it!* Failure to do so will eliminate your child from that school.

Questions about how to apply?

Contact StudentAssignment@pcsb.org or (727) 588-6210.

PCS offers 70 programs focusing on students' interests, talents and abilities:

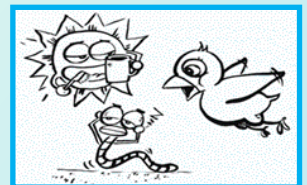
- Elementary School Programs
- Middle School Programs
- High School Programs

Please visit www.pcsb.org for information on District Application Program Procedures and the DAP Entrance Criteria for Elementary Gifted Centers, Middle & High School Programs.

Early bird yearbook sales

Early bird yearbook sales are available online now.

Our 7th edition covers K to 8th Grade, is full-color and has a beautiful hard cover. Take advantage of special early bird pricing! From now until December 31st, the early bird price is \$35. Starting January 1st, the price increases to \$37. Please visit our school's website at www.pcsb.org/sanderlinib to place your order today! Yearbook sales are from now until March 31st, 2019.



If you are a business owner looking to promote your business, the Yearbook Committee wants to hear from you! They are currently accepting ads for the 2019-2020 yearbook. Please contact Kalyn Salguiero at salquierok@pcsb.org.



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Lost & Found

Please mark first and last name on all your children's belongings with permanent marker so it will be easy to return if lost or misplaced. All larger items will be placed on the Lost & Found cart located in the cafeteria. Please encourage your child to look there if they've misplaced something! These items will be kept for one month, then will be discarded. For smaller items - keys, glasses, jewelry - please have your child inquire in the front office.

Help our School and Make a Difference!

Become a either a Lunch Pal or Taking Stock in Children (TSIC) mentor and meet once a week for 30 minutes with one of our students who will greatly benefit from your support and encouragement.

You will be surprised to see the difference you can make in a child's life. Please also consider asking family and friends who might be able to lend their time as a Lunch Pal or Mentor to Sanderlin K-8 school.

For more information about the Lunch Pal or Taking Stock in Children programs, please read the brochures included in this newsletter.

Copies of these brochures are also located in our front office.

To become either a Lunch Pal or a Mentor, please contact our Family and Community Liaison, Brenna Arch: 727-552-1700, Ext 2302, or email archb@pcsb.org.

Thank you to all of our current Lunch Pals, Mentors and Volunteers. Our students and staff greatly appreciate your time and support!

Sanderlin Community Volunteer Opportunities:

We are in need of Lunch Pals and Mentors!

Commitment to Character Word of the Month

Citizenship - Being law abiding and involved in service to school, community and country.

- Ways to be a good citizen:
- Do your share to make your school, your community, and the world a better place.
- Take responsibility for what goes on around you.
- Participate in community service.
- Help take care of the environment.
- Be a good neighbor.
- Treat other people with respect and dignity.
- Follow the rules of family, school and community.

Discussion point: In what specific ways can YOU be a good citizen?

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<p>The Pi Factory Lesson Plans Available!</p>	<p>SCHOOL: MAR. 21, 2019 - 10:45AM SCHOOL: MAR. 22, 2019 - 10:45AM</p>
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Health Tips

Cold & flu season is in full swing, and that means a lot of infectious germs are all over the place. You and you family can help stop the spread of harmful germs by:



1. Washing hands thoroughly with soap & water. **Hand washing is the number one method of reducing the spread of infectious germs & diseases!** Encourage younger children to sing or hum Row, Row, Row Your Boat two times while scrubbing hands. **ALWAYS** wash after using the restroom, after blowing or wiping your nose, after coming in contact with others who show signs of cold or illness, and after touching multiple surfaces.
2. Covering your nose & mouth with the crook of your elbow when sneezing or coughing. Teach children not to cough without covering, and not to wipe their noses with hands & fingers, or along their arms or sleeves.
3. Using and disposing tissues when blowing your nose. (Don't forget to wash your hands!)
4. Avoiding touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
5. Avoiding close contact such as kissing, hugging, and sharing cups or eating utensils with people who are sick.
6. Cleaning and disinfecting all frequently-touched surfaced, such as toys and doorknobs. Increase the frequency if someone is sick.
7. Staying home when you have a fever, even a low-grade one. Keep the contagious period away from others to help stop illness from spreading.
8. Getting a flu shot. Contact your family doctor or the local health department to schedule an appointment.

Following these tips can help to slow the spread of many illnesses
- common cold, flu, enterovirus, and other pathogens that can lead to disease.

Cold or Flu?

Cold	Symptom	Flu (Influenza)
Rare, Mild (less than 100°)	Fever	Almost Always High (Greater than 100°)
Rare	Headache	Common
Slight	General Aches & Pains	Usual/Often Severe
Gradual over a Few Days	Onset	Rapid Onset
Common	Stuffy Nose	Rare
Common	Runny Nose	Common
Common	Sore Throat	Sometimes
Mild to Moderate	Cough	Common – Can be Severe (Dry)

Parents Make the Difference!

Make some New Year's Resolutions about reading this year:



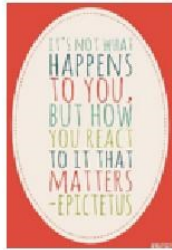
- Make reading a part of everyday life. Set aside time when everyone in the house reads. (Reading social media doesn't count.) In addition to helping your child improve his/her reading, it will give you some much-needed quiet time.
- Keep reading aloud to your child. Bedtime is a natural time for reading aloud, but families find other ways to fit it into their schedule. You can read aloud while your child eats breakfast. Or have one person read while everyone else cleans up after dinner.
- Keep lots of reading material handy. The child that won't read a novel might pick up a magazine about a favorite hobby.
- Now that you have resolutions, here are some tips on making sure you can keep them. First, make a plan. Without a plan, you may want a daily reading time, but you may not find a way to fit it in.
- Next, track your progress. Mark the calendar for every day you read aloud. Then reward yourselves. Rent a video based on a favorite book. Or plan a trip to a bookstore café.

Getting Ready for the New Year:

As of January 7, 2020, students will be officially in the second half of this school year. In elementary, have you met with your child's teacher yet? For middle school, are you checking FOCUS weekly with your child to track assignments and grades? It is a great time of year to talk with your child about strengths and goals.

Of course, reading every night is still top on the list for helping children succeed at high levels!

Please know that in our IB school, teaching children how to express themselves in written form begins in kindergarten! Encourage your child to make the grocery list, write reminder notes, write letters to family members who are far away, create thank you cards for people who do nice things for them, etc. These activities help them make the connection that what they do at school helps them at home and in their personal lives. The MOST important thing is to encourage students to ALWAYS try their best! Especially on testing days, it will be VERY important for children to have a good night's sleep, eat a healthy breakfast, and arrive to school on time.



Internationally minded learners are:

Reflective



Being reflective means to thoughtfully consider the world and our own ideas and experiences. Reflective individuals work to understand their strengths and weaknesses in order to support their learning and personal development.

Ways to be Reflective :

- Nurture a “growth mindset” attitude and understand that making mistakes are important and essential to the learning process.
- Stop to think about your progress and consider different ways to improve and grow in the future.
- Persevere and understand the power of revision and reflection
- Know and understand your strengths and weakness so you can act in ways that promote and support them.
- Think critically about your work, words and actions and be open to feedback from others.
- Consider different perspectives and understand how your thinking can impact others and the world around you.
- Manage your emotions and reactions mindfully

How can parents help to develop students who are Reflective at home?

- Take time to talk to your child every day, ask questions that probe them to think about their day for example “*What challenges did you take today? How have you helped someone? or What did you smile about today?*”
- Spend time reviewing their grades/report cards with them. Discuss it with them and truly consider their thoughts on their strengths and areas for improvement.
- Think and brainstorm academic and social goals for the next semester *with* your child. Make a list not only of the goals, but of specific actions that can be taken to achieve these goals. You might even want to list actions that your child will take independently as well as actions parents will take to support them.
- Consider non-academic strengths and areas for improvement.. help your child be balanced and value their voice.

Take time this winter holiday to do some reflecting,
by yourself, with your children and as a family.
See where it takes you!

HOME-SCHOOL COMMUNICATION NEWS

SchoolMessenger is the district's communication tool with which we can send voicemail and email messages **WITH ATTACHMENTS!** Due to budget cuts & the IB way of "going green" and conserving our natural resources, the vast majority of communication will be sent electronically this school year.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR PHONE NUMBERS & EMAIL ADDRESSES UPDATED in FOCUS!

DID YOU KNOW... that you can include a total of three phone numbers and two email addresses receiving the same **SchoolMessenger** message? Please keep current your family's phone numbers and email addresses so you can receive all our messages (voicemail & email) throughout the year. Please call Ms. Bott, DMT, in the front office to help and with any questions.



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Candidates must be on Free/Reduced Lunch, attend a Pinellas County public middle or high school, and have the aspiration to attend college or technical school but not the financial means.

*To learn more about this life-changing program,
please visit www.pinellaseducation.org/tsic*

Foundation Take Stock in Children scholars receive:

- A Scholarship** - A tuition-only Florida Prepaid College Scholarship, which can be used at any university, college, or vocational/technical school that accepts financial aid. (Value – up to 120 state college credit hours)
- A Mentor** - A volunteer mentor who will meet with your child bi-weekly at school, to assist and encourage your child to achieve their highest potential.
- A College Success Coach** - A Take Stock staff person who will help your child design a college success plan and guide them through middle and high school, and transition into college.



How to Apply

If you would like to **complete an application for your student** (who must be in grades 6 - 9) to become part of the Take Stock in Children scholarship program, go to the link below and complete the online application between **Aug. 12 to Dec. 6, 2019**

***Make sure to have an electronic copy of your 1040 tax return for 2018*
when you start the application.***

<https://www.pinellaseducation.org/tsic>

**If you do not file taxes, email tsic@pinellaseducation.org for possible alternative options*



INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

Effective from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ANNUALLY	MONTHLY	TWICE PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS	WEEKLY
1	23,107	1,926	963	889	445
2	31,284	2,607	1,304	1,204	602
3	39,461	3,289	1,645	1,518	759
4	47,638	3,970	1,985	1,833	917
5	55,815	4,652	2,326	2,147	1,074
6	63,992	5,333	2,667	2,462	1,231
7	72,169	6,015	3,008	2,776	1,388
8	80,346	6,696	3,348	3,091	1,546
For each additional family member, add	8,177	682	341	315	158

Income guidelines provided by USDA.gov

Qualified financial document REQUIRED with the online scholarship application:

1040 tax return for 2018* (pages 1 and 2, must show student applicant as a dependent)

**If you do not file taxes, email tsic@pinellaseducation.org for possible alternative options*

Finalists will be notified in February – March of 2020. All finalists will need to attend a scholarship signing event in the spring to officially join the Take Stock in Children program.

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District Application Programs

Pinellas County Schools offers nearly

80 programs focused on students' interests, talents and learning styles.

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Important Dates:

Application Period

•January 8 - 17, 2020

Acceptance Period

•Feb. 10- 21, 2020



District Application Program Events

Choice Fairs

Learn more about our magnet, fundamental and career academies.

Oct. 29: 6 - 7:30 p.m. at Countryside High,
3000 SR 580, Clearwater

Nov. 2: 9 - 11:30 a.m. at Pinellas Park High,
6305 118th Ave., Largo

Nov. 4: 6 - 7:30 p.m. at Lakewood High,
1400 54th Ave. S, St. Petersburg

Discovery Nights

Explore individual programs in more detail.
Oct. 30 - Dec. 20 (Schedule on back)

High School Shadowing Opportunities

Contact individual schools for more information.

