

Cross Bayou Elementary Newsletter

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Mission:
Educate, Engage,
and empower
students for
lifelong learning.

Vision:
100% Student
Success

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HOME OF THE BOBCATS
November 2023

From the Office

As we enter the last month of the year let's fill our hearts
with Love and Light!

Always remember when your world gets full of busy
thoughts and actions that an act of kindness, no matter
how small, will transform your worried hurried
mind. It is easy to get caught up in the hustle and bustle of
the season! Remember
to treat yourself to the act of kindness as well.

We have several events this month from fundraisers to field
trips, so please check the list of events for December on
page 2. Included in the events is our holiday workshop
where students will be able to pick out and purchase items
for family members, guardians, and even pets! This has
always been such a wonderful
event for our students.

December is the best time to instill in the hearts of our
children, then need to
serve others as a way of showing love not only to our
families but also to those in need. We will be having our
PMAC food drive December 11 through 15th. This will provide
the children with the opportunity of doing some charity and
being able to donate to less fortunate families.

We will be closed for our Winter Break from Dec 22nd until
Jan 5th. We hope that you can spend this time surrounded
by love and laughter!

IMPORTANT DATES

Cross Bayou School Dates

- 12/1/23 DHH Shared Reading 8AM-11AM
- 12/1/23 Happy Hands Community Performance Evening Event
- 12/4/23-12/8/23 PTA's Holiday Workshop
- 12/5/23-12/11/23 DOH Dental Sealant Program
- 12/7/23 Gifted Studies Fundraiser – Wild About Reading
- 12/7/23 Boyd Hill Field Trip – Thompson & Robert 8AM-1PM
- 12/8/23 Boyd Hill Field Trip – Ward 8AM-1PM
- 12/8/23 Heritage Village Field Trip 2nd Grade – Borgman – 10:15-1PM
- 12/11/23-12/15/23 Book Fair
- 12/11/23-12/15/23 PMAC Food Drive for Pack A Snack Families
- 12/12/23 Boyd Hill Field Trip – Jones 8AM-1PM
- 12/14/23 Happy Hands Field Trip to Empath – 1:00-2:15
- 12/14/23 Winter Concert with K, 4th, & 5th Grade Chorus and Happy Hands – after school time TBA
- 12/19/23 Social Committee Potluck in Media at 1PM
- 12/20/23 Financial Literacy – Enterprise Village – 5th Grade 7:45-1:45
- 12/20/23 Bobcat Assembly
- 12/22 – 1/7 Winter Break

Pinellas County Dates

December 2023

- 11: 2024-2025 SAR* Acceptance Period Opens
- 15: 2024-2025 SAR* Acceptance Period Closes
- 13 at 5pm: Initial PreK/ VPK Application Period Closes
- 15: PreK/ VPK Invites
- 18: PreK/VPK Acceptance Period Opens
- District Application Programs Discovery Nights



January 2024

- 17: PreK/VPK Acceptance Period Closes
- 9: 2024-2025 District Application Programs Application Period Opens
- 19: 2024-2025 District Application Programs Application Period Closes

* Special Assignment Requests allow families to apply for their child to attend a non-magnet school other than their zoned school. In order for a student to attend a magnet school families must apply using the district application program.

SCHOOL-WIDE EXPECTATIONS

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Care for Others

Be kind to others through words and actions. Lend a hand to help others.

B

Be Responsible

Make positive choices. Do what is expected and admit when you're wrong.

E

Exhibit Perseverance

Learn from your mistakes. Try something new and never give up.

S

Show Respect

Recognize everyone is different. Stay in your personal space. Pay attention and listen.

Thanksgiving Family Feast & Title 1 Math Games

We had a large turnout for our Thanksgiving Family feast! Our Cafeteria staff made a tasty meal for the parents and students. Families not only got to spend time eating a traditional Thanksgiving meal, but they also got a packet of cool math games that they were able to play with while on campus and take home! Mr. Mike wishes to thank everyone for attending and he can't wait to see you for next year's Thanksgiving Family Feast!



**JOIN THE CROSS BAYOU PTA
PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION
\$6.00 MEMBERSHIP**

**Volunteers,
don't delay...
register today!**



Want to be involved in your child's school?

We encourage you to register to become a Pinellas County School Volunteer.

When an opportunity comes up, you will be ready for field trips, special events, classroom help, the PTA Holiday Workshop, PTA Board, and help with curriculum nights. Register today!

The Great American Teach In

Cross Bayou hosted another successful Teach In with over thirty presenters from around the community on November 15th. We'd like to thank those guests who were able to share their job skill, careers, and hobbies with our students.



Thank you Presenters

Paulina Valdivieso
 Ray Park
 Christina Belcher
 Irene Seybold
 Stephanie & Matthew Herbert
 Aaliyan Tarnawa
 Brad Palmer
 Allie Rodrigues
 Alphonso Jenkins
 Joe Munzo
 Tizi Louise
 Hazel Jiovani
 Keith Sabiel
 Rosa Rodriguez
 Ravi Mohammed
 Franklin Smith

Lauren Hays
 Paul Neal
 Bill & Tux Ruttencutter
 Jeff Raiola
 Kel Doleac
 Jenny
 Brian McClure
 Alicia Louise
 Gessica Smith
 Lily Calcote
 Joseph Rouse
 Taleena & John Ondich
 Jerry & Kathy DeLong
 Robin Cooke
 Off. Tippet

Bobcat Artistry

Please start collecting plastic bottle lids, any color and any size, for the art room. Students will be working on projects that will include using plastic, colorful lids. Our project will begin in March.



FORTIFYFL
Suspicious Activity Reporting App

The district utilizes FortifyFl, a school-related suspicious activity reporting tool that allows Florida students and the community the ability to instantly relay information anonymously concerning unsafe, potentially harmful, dangerous, violent or criminal activities, or the threat of these activities, to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. FortifyFl was created and funded by the 2018 Florida Legislature as part of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act.

<https://getfortifyfl.com/>

November Bobcats

Grade:	Teacher:	Student:
Pre-K	Frangipane	Genesis Gerke
DHH PreK	Lodge	Solanie Williams
VPK	DiMassi	Alice Silva Nascimento
K	Caudill	Aubree Davis
K	Fisher	Reilee Harris
DHH K	Sacco-Eanes	
1st	Finn	Ashniel Cortes Rivera
1st	Brillant	Paisley Fannin
2nd	Bedair	Umar Crabb
2nd	Caldea	Nylea Vega
2nd	Borgman	Kathleen Ta
DHH 3 & 4	Robert / Pepino	Paul Guastella
3rd	Beatty	Zariah Andrews
3rd	Smith	Lillian White
3rd	Efrusy	Kaylee Martins
4th	Thompson	Tomas Pedro Nicolas
4th	Jones	Destiny McCloud
4th	Ward	Caylee Pease
DHH 4 & 5	Robert w/ Pepino	
5th	Rouse	Keaton Troxel
5th	Arraj	Keren Villalobos
Art	Countryman	Janelle Phelps
Music	Nunez	Natasha Rodriguez
PE	Calandra	Paislee Durr
PE	Scheidt	Jesse Rambo
PE	Walker	Bruce Smith

October Bobcats

Grade:	Teacher:	Student:
Pre-K	Frangipane	Madilynn Herbert
DHH PreK	Lodge	Raelyn Roldan
VPK	DiMassi	Nathan Phi
K	Caudill	Natalie Do
K	Fisher	Lilly Pagano
DHH K	Sacco-Eanes	King Roseman
1st	Finn	Javier Zuniga Trejo
1st	Brillant	Edin Bujak
2nd	Bedair	Jedidiah Latham
2nd	Caldea	Trevor Ondich
2nd	Borgman	Jesse Rambo
DHH 3 & 4	Robert & Pepino	Yanieliz Lawton
3rd	Smith	Amina Dudha
3rd	Efrusy	Berina Bujak
3rd	Beatty	Ishi Patel
4th	Jones	Zavier Sanchez
4th	Thompson	Natasha Rodriquez Cardenas
4th	Ward	Dominic Suttles
DHH 4	Robert	----- w/ Pepino
5th	Rouse	Joshua Isenberg
5th	Arraj	Andrew Kong
Art	Countryman	Ayana Dudha
Music	Nunez	Benjamin Beery
PE	Calandra	Aubrie Crooks
PE	Scheidt	Brianna Gomez
PE	Walker	Emma Dyson