A Message from Administration

Dear Skycrest Parents and Families,

We hope everyone enjoyed a restful spring break. Can you believe we only have 38 more school days left in the year? The time is flying by and your child is growing and learning each and every day.

The third of four report cards have been sent home. We had many students make honor roll and principal’s list and we are so proud of our students. Grades are a reflection of how well students are mastering standards at their grade level. These standards are rigorous and challenging and students are showing how they shine. Skycrest students would not experience the success they do without support at home. Parents and families are the first and most important teachers in a child’s life. We are so very fortunate to have families in this community that value education.

As we approach May, pay close attention to testing dates and make sure your child is at school on the day of testing. We want your child to be well prepared and show off the hard work he/she has done all year. If you have any questions about testing, please contact your child’s teacher or myself.

Thank you for all of your support!
Mrs. Pier

Dates to Remember

04/03-14 Swim lessons begin (Kg-2nd only)
04/04 Fundraiser Items pick-up
04/07 No school for students
04/14 Spring Fling, 5:00-7:00PM
04/11 PTA, 5:00PM, Media Center
04/11 S.A.C, 5:30PM, Media Center
04/26 International Café, 8:45AM, Media Center

Looking Ahead at Testing Days

04/24-05/12 VPK-2nd grade cycle 3 testing
05/02 4th & 5th grade ELA test
05/03 3rd grade ELA test
05/09-05/10 5th grade Science test
05/16 4th & 5th grade Math test
05/17 3rd grade Math test
**International Café**

Attention Spanish-Speaking Families,

Please join us at our monthly International Café on Thursday, April 26th at 8:45am in the Media Center. This meeting is held in Spanish, and each month we discuss different topics such as academics and community resources. It’s a great way to meet other parents, learn what is going on at Skycrest Elementary, and hear about resources available in our Skycrest/Clearwater neighborhood.

This will be the last International Cafe for the 2022-2023 school year.

The meeting takes place while your child is in class, but younger children are welcome. Join us for some coffee and cookies and helpful information. Hope to see you there!

**Spring Fling**

Dear Skycrest Families,

Please join us for our 2nd Annual Skycrest SPRING FLING! This event is free and full of fun 😊. It will be held here at Skycrest on Friday, April 14th @ 5:00-7:00. The event will include carnival type games, face painting, arts & crafts, food trucks, information booths and even a special guest appearance from The Tampa Bay Rays. Please plan on joining us for this fun filled Friday evening!

**Uniform Policy**

**Shirts may be**
- Polo style, crew neck T-shirts, or Skycrest T-shirts
- **Colors**: red, forest green, navy, light blue or white

**No hoodies allowed - crew neck sweatshirts (no pockets) allowed with the colors above**

**Bottoms may be**
- pants, shorts, skirts or skorts (must be mid-thigh length or longer)
- **Colors**: khaki, black or navy blue. Neat dark blue denim jeans (no holes) are allowed
- No denim shorts, skirts or skorts
- No leggings

**What is Bullying?**

The Pinellas County Schools Policy against Bullying and Harassment defines bullying as:

Systematically and chronically inflicting physical hurt or psychological distress on one or more students or employees.

In bullying situations, there are always **3 key elements present**:
- Imbalance of Power - Kids who bully use their power—such as physical strength, access to embarrassing information, or popularity—to control or harm others
- Intent to Harm
- Repeated Behavior

**Early Releases**

Early student release must occur before 2:00p.m. with prior notice to the teacher and front office.

Students will be dismissed at 2:55p.m. to their designated pick-up areas.

Between 2:00p.m. and 2:55p.m., teachers are still instructing students. It disrupts end of day procedures for the teachers and front office when students leave early.