

EAGLE'S EYE



SKYCREST ELEMENTARY NEWS

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Mission

"Inspiring Greatness through Academics, Culture, and Leadership"

A Message from Administration

Hello Skycrest Families,

Lisa Pierzchalski, Asst. Principal

Happy New Year! I hope this newsletter finds you well and that your families enjoyed a restful and joyful holiday season. We are thrilled to welcome our students and staff back for the second half of the school year. We look forward to another exciting and productive semester filled with learning, growth and achievement.

January is the time to reflect on what went well in the first semester and to address our challenges so that everyone grows and excels. For students this will include goal setting with specific action steps. Parents, we need your help for us to meet our goals. You can help by making sure your child gets to school on time, rested and prepared each day. You can also help by living our Leader In Me 7 Habits at home and talking about how these habits can help students in and out of school. In January, we will continue to focus on Habit #4 Think Win Win. This habit teaches us to create opportunities where everyone feels like they win in situations. Visit our website often to get more information and see all of the great things going on at Skycrest Elementary!

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to Skycrest. We look forward to a successful and enriching month ahead. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school so we can help you. Wishing you a fantastic start to the new year!

Together We SOAR! Mrs. Caparaso

Dates to Remember

01/08 Return to School

01/15 MLK, No School

01/18 Report Cards go home

01/25 Parent Lunch Day, KG-5th

01/26 Parent Lunch Day, Pre-K

01/25 Literacy Night & Book Fair Night 4:30-6:00pm

01/31 International Café, 8:45am

School Guidelines

Remember Skycrest school-wide expectations are S.O.A.R.

- Be Safe
- Be on Task
- Be Accountable
- Be Respectful



International Café

Attention All Skycrest Families,

Please join us for our next International Café on Wednesday, January 31st at 8:45am in the Media Center and Room #7. This parent meeting is held in English and Spanish throughout the year. The meeting in January will focus on social/mental health issues and learn about resources available. It's a great way to meet other parents, learn what is going on at Skycrest Elementary and hear about many resources available in our Skycrest/Clearwater neighborhood. The meeting takes place while your student is in class, but younger children are welcome. Join us for some coffee/snacks and helpful information. Hope to see you there!

For planning, below are the dates for the rest of the school year (all meetings begin at 8:45am). January 31st and March 27th.

*In the past, this meeting was open to Spanish speaking families, this year we are opening it up to ALL Skycrest families. Everyone is welcome!

Leader in Me for January

Habit 4 Think Win-Win:

It is the belief that everyone can win. Work with your child to come up with a solution when facing a conflict. This will help them learn how to work through conflict through collaboration.

Family Activity:

Think of an ongoing conflict occurring with your child, for example cleaning their room. Discuss a win-win solution to the conflict. Write down the solution and then remind each other of it the next time the conflict occurs.

Attendance Hero Week

January 16th-19th

Here - Attend today, Achieve tomorrow! Your presence is your Superpower! Being here will help lead you to your future career!

(Tues 16th)



(Teachers will be provided with a "hello my name is" label where the kids Can write what they want to be when They grow up on it)

Every Day - Absences Add Up! Every school day counts, don't miss out! Great attendance is "tie'd" to great learning. Everyone wear your best Tie-dye shirt!

(Wed 17th)

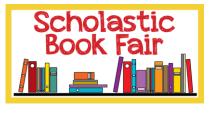
Ready - Be Present, Stay Focused, Achieve Greatness! Your future is in your hands! Good attendance leads to bright futures - wear your favorite hat or shades!

(Thu 18th)

On-time - Be like a super hero, Save the day!

Arrive on time, don't be late!. Wear your favorite superhero shirt!

(Fri 19th)



The Winter
Scholastic Book
Fair is coming
January 22nd-26th!
Students will be
able to shop in the

morning from 8:15-8:35 and during lunch! Students and Parents can shop after school until 3:30pm. We will also be open during Literacy Night on January 25^{th} ! Hope to see you there!



Ready, Set...Kindergarten

Mark your calendar for Wednesday,
February 7, 2024 at 5:00pm in the Media Center.

If you have a child who will be five years old prior to September 1, 2024, you can register your child at your zoned PCS elementary school or join us on February 7th.

- Your child must be 5 years old by 9/1/24
- Be able to show proof of residency (2 recent and different utilities with home address)
- Have an orginial Birth Certificate
- Have a Florida Certificate of Immunization
- Have a physical examination certificate, within a year of starting Kindergarten.

Congratulations

Please join us in celebrating the following 5^{th} graders for being selected as the winners of Skycrest Elementary's participation in the Kid's Tag Art Competition! They will attend an awards ceremony at Largo High School in late January to receive recognition along with the winners from all the other elementary schools.

Kenia D (Welt)
Nicia S (Welt)
Jacquelyn M (Sullivan)

And even more exciting... ALL of the entries from Skycrest that were submitted with a permission slip are up for sale! Kids Tag Art Pinellas is a partnership with the Pinellas County Tax Collector, Charles W. Thomas, and Pinellas County Schools, in which funds are raised for local elementary art classrooms by encouraging 5th-grade students to design their very own, front-facing vanity plates for your vehicles during art class. These plates are then sold to the public with 100 percent of the proceeds returning to the participating art classrooms. If you would like to purchase one and support our art program here at Skycrest, here is the link:

 $\underline{\text{https://kidstagartpinellas.org/collections/all/skycrest}}$