



# Rawlings News



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**December 2017/  
January 2018**

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## Principal's Point

School Hours: Monday—Friday, 8:35-2:35

Dear Rawlings Families,

Happy December! I have been spending most of the school day in classrooms observing your child or children being active learners. I am proud of all of the hard work and accomplishments that I see and hear as I have conversations with them about their learning. We have a busy and exciting two months ahead of us. Our next Lunch Munch is Thursday, December 14th. What a wonderful time to come and enjoy special time with your child or children. Our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students, chorus, and drumming club will be performing their Holiday musical on December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. in our cafeteria. The children have been practicing so hard and are very excited about performing. Mark your calendars now so you won't miss out on this special evening. Our school will be closed December 22nd through January 5<sup>th</sup> for the Winter Break. School will resume for all students on Monday, January 8th. Make sure to check the "Upcoming Special Dates" section of this newsletter for our January events. Last, we will be sending home an optional calendar of activities to extend learning over the Holiday Break. I am hopeful that your child will find some time to accomplish these tasks. I wish you all a very Happy Holiday Season and a safe and healthy New Year!



Rebecca Moore, Principal

### Curriculum Corner by Jeane Morehouse, Assistant Principal



MAP is a computer-based, adaptive assessment that measures students' performance on Reading, Math, and Science and their growth in these subjects over time. MAP stands for Measures of Academic Progress. Northwest Evaluation Association ("NWEA") is the non-profit organization responsible for putting MAP in the hands of educators. An adaptive assessment starts out at the student's grade level and gets more difficult or easier depending on the way the child answers. The scores are very reliable as long as the student does their *very best*. MAP Reading and Math assessments strongly correlate with FSA, Florida Standards Assessment so their December MAP scores will help us support students more. Our 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade students began to take this assessment in September and we completed the assessments in October as we had to extend the time frame due to Hurricane Irma. Beginning on December 1<sup>st</sup> we will take our Winter MAP assessments and we will also have kindergarten students participating. Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grade participate in Reading and Math and only 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade participate in the Science Assessment. NWEA MAP shares their norm reference test group data from 2015 with participants, such as Pinellas County Schools, so we can have an idea of the results we may expect. Though MAP is new to many Pinellas County Schools, quite a few have used MAP before this year. Teachers will share information in January about these results.

### Calling all 5th Grade Families for Enterprise Village!

Enterprise Village is coming up and we need volunteers. Our date is **Monday, December 11**. We need approximately 50 volunteers from 7:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on this day. If you are a registered volunteer and would like to volunteer for this exciting event, please write a note in your child's Agenda to his/her homeroom teacher. If you are not a registered volunteer, please fill out a volunteer registration form and submit it along with a copy of your driver's license to Ms. Lori-Ann in the front office. Thank you for your support!

#### Mission Statement

"Educate and prepare each student for college, career and life."

#### Vision

"Always expect the best - 100% student success."

# PTA

**Parents' Night Out:** Do you need some time to do holiday shopping? Do you want some time to have a nice meal? How about some "me" time? On Friday, December 15, 2017 from 5:00pm-8:00pm PTA will have food, games, crafts, and movies for your child to do for ONLY \$10 per child. The age range is toilet trained to 12 years old. This is a RSVP ONLY event. Be on the lookout for a flyer!

**Movie Night:** This year's Movie Night is on Friday, March 2, 2018. More information will be available closer to the day!

## Technology Lunch Munch—December 14

Mark your calendars and plan to join your child at our December 14th Technology Lunch Munch! You will be invited to join your child inside their classroom to learn about and preview myON. Please look for more information regarding your child's class activity time in December in your child's agenda or class newsletter.

## Writing Lunch Munch—January 19

And be sure to also mark your calendars and plan to join your child at our January 19<sup>th</sup> Writing Lunch Munch! You will be invited to join your child inside their classroom to learn about and preview your child's writing. Please look for more information regarding your child's class activity time in January in your child's agenda or class newsletter.

## Title 1 Parent Survey

Please participate in MK Rawlings Elementary Annual Title I Parent Survey which will be distributed to students during the month of December and available online from November 28-December 13. The purpose of this survey is to provide the Pinellas County School District's Title I Program leadership with valuable feedback from parents of students enrolled at MK Rawlings Elementary. Your opinion is valued, appreciated, and important to continued school improvement. No individual data will be reported and only summarized data will be presented in the report. In order to complete the online survey, please type the survey link below into your web browser and follow the prompts. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TitleI2018>

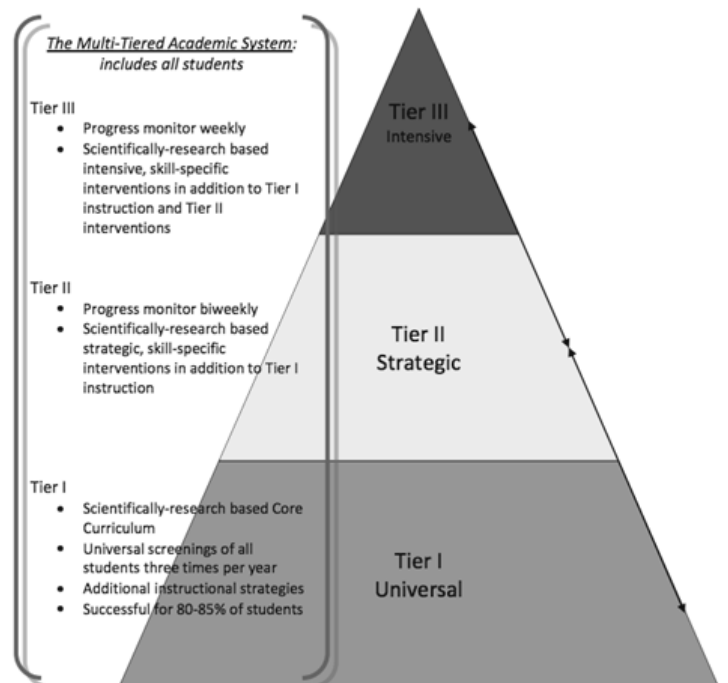
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## Did you know

MTSS academic support is divided into 3 tiers (Tier I universal support, Tier 2 individualized strategic support, and Tier 3 intensive support)?

The type of support your child receives is determined by their academic needs.



# MTSS



# myON<sup>®</sup>



## Rawlings students have access to thousands of FREE ebooks using myON!

Great news! Accessing myON is even **EASIER** now. **On a computer**, students just log on to Clever, then click on the myON icon and they're in! **On an iPad, Kindle or other tablet**, download myON first, then the instructions are the same—just **go to Clever (NOT myON)**, log in, and click on myON.



## Rawlings Family Lunch Munch

Lunch Munch is held once a month on various days of the week to provide opportunities for families to have lunch with their students and encourage a family school connection. It also provides parents with an opportunity to meet their child's classmates and connect with other parents. Keep an eye out for reminder stickers in your student's agenda.

**Please remember, visitors must be on your child's white office card in order to eat lunch with them.**

**They must bring an I.D.**

### 2017-2018 Lunch Munch Dates

Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018

April-TBD

Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018

## JiJi wants to know...



### Is your student on target with ST Math?

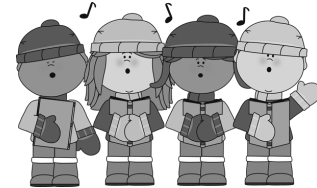
By the end of **December**:  
suggested Syllabus Progress is **46%**

By the end of **January**:  
suggested Syllabus Progress is **55%**

## Winter Concert!

Our Winter Concert is Thursday,  
December 14th at 6:00pm.

Come support our  
1st and 2nd graders and  
Rawlings Music Makers  
(Chorus and Drum Club)  
as they help bring in the season!



### Commitment to Character Word for December: **Kindness**

Here are some ways to teach your children to be kind:

1. Show them kindness
2. Encourage sharing
3. Teach them to be thankful for everything
4. Encourage helping
5. Teach them environmental kindness



### School Advisory Council (SAC)

SAC is a team representing various segments of the community, which meets to discuss our school's academic plan and progress and helps create the School Improvement Plan (goals and objectives for the school). We are looking for parents interested in being on next year's SAC. **The next SAC meeting is December 11, at 3:00 in Media Center.**

### Pasta Love Around was a great success !!!

Your children helped us meet our goal.  
They collected about 500 pounds of PASTA !



Thank you for all your support  
giving back to our  
community !



## THANK YOU!

### Adopt a Class

Anthony & Dharvette Barwick-- Ms. Ogunrinde

### Business Partners

Culver's

### Donations

DoubleTree Beach Resort	Olive Garden
Sonny's BBQ	Mike Waddell
Splash Harbour Water Park	Publix
Achieva Credit Union	Duke Energy
Advanced Printing & Graphic Solutions	

To become a classroom partner, a donation of \$100 in the form of cash, money order or materials is given to a teacher. For more information, contact Lori-Ann DiPenta at 547-7828

## Upcoming Events

### December Events

December 11—SAC Meeting, 3pm  
December 14—Family Lunch Munch  
December 14—Winter Concert, 6pm  
December 15—PTA's Parents' Night Out, 5-8pm  
December 23-January 7—Winter Break

### January Events

January 8—Back to School  
January 15—Martin Luther King Jr. Day, school closed  
January 19—Family Lunch Munch

### Looking Ahead

March 2—PTA's Movie Night

## **Volunteers and Mentors needed !!**

Please email Lori-Ann at [dipental@pcsb.org](mailto:dipental@pcsb.org) after completing and sending in your volunteer registration form and copy of photo ID. Volunteer opportunities this year will be sent out in email form.

## Hurricane Makeup Days

Please mark your calendars and plan for regular school days on:

- January 8, 2018
- March 12, 2018



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