



February 9, 2021

# Gator Tales

## PTA INFORMATION

### PRINCIPAL

**Kathlene Bentley, Ed.D.**

### School address

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### PTA BOARD 2020-2021

#### **President**

Whitney Kelley

#### **Vice President**

Alexa Bonnici

#### **Secretary**

Ashley Hutchinson

#### **Treasurer**

Samantha Steele

#### **Membership Committee Chair**

Jessica Summers

#### **Programs Committee Chair**

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#### **Communication Committee Chair / Newsletter**

Samantha Steele

Darya Ruzanova

#### **Membership Report**

Total Amount of Members - 115

### PTA MISSION

To make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

JOIN PTA online at

<https://fuguitt.memberhub.store>

## PRINCIPAL, MRS. KATHLENE BENTLEY, ED.D.



### **Dear Fuguitt Families!**

The 100th Day of School is Friday, February 5th! It is hard to believe that we are this far into the school year! We still have a lot of work to do, so please keep routines going at your house to ensure that students complete homework and get to school on time prepared each day! Just a friendly reminder that all students should arrive on campus and be at their classroom door by 8:30 AM. Our gates open at 8:15 and breakfast begins being served at that time. If you want your student to take advantage of this free breakfast, please have them here by 8:30. We start school promptly at 8:45. If your child is not in their seat, they miss this important routine each day. Report Cards go home on Tuesday, February 2nd.

Our fabulous Grade 3 – 5 students have accomplished a lot. We had many of our students receive the Honor Roll and Principal's list this year!! We're so proud of all the hard work our Fuguitt leaders are doing every day!! Parents, please make sure your students are logging onto iStation and DreamBox each week. Grades K – 2 should be completing 5 lessons per week on DreamBox and 3 – 5 grade should be completing 10 lessons per week. Please ask your child's teacher for more info!

Thank you for your support at Fuguitt Elementary where our leaders reach for the stars!!

*Kind Regards,  
Dr. B & Mrs. Wager*

## BUSINESS PARTNER OF THE MONTH

This month our featured Business Partner is the Backpack Lady Project. Each year this local organization donates backpacks filled with supplies for our students. The packs are always in a variety of style and color, showing a thoughtful consideration for the individual child. No student will ever be without a backpack or supplies due to the generosity of this charity. Backpack Lady Project, we applaud you!

# CALENDAR

## PTA PRESIDENT, MRS. WHITNEY KELLEY



Hello, this is your Fuguitt PTA President Whitney Kelley, I hope you are all staying well! As this semester flies by I am hoping to reach out to all of our Fuguitt families with two items we are in desperate need of help with. The PTA has tried to get creative in our fundraising efforts this year, especially with the loss of our annual holiday shop due to coronavirus. We have been working diligently to set up a virtual silent auction that we are planning to host later this Spring. While we have a few items already generously donated, we are in need of more items. On behalf of the PTA I am hoping that a few of our Fuguitt families have business contacts who would be interested in sponsoring a silent auction basket or experience.

In other news, as we reach the mid point of the semester it is time to think about next year's PTA board. A few of our board members have children leaving the school for middle school. We are in need of new volunteers who are willing to take a more active role in PTA. The time commitment is minimal but your efforts really do help our children and staff. If you are interested in volunteering, please attend our next general meeting and reach out to the PTA on our Facebook page. Thank you!

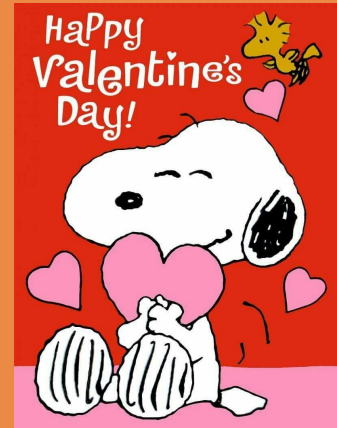
*Whitney Kelley*

## FEBRUARY 10TH

6.30 - 7.30 PM Virtual PTA General Meeting & Virtual BINGO (please follow our FB page for more information)

## FEBRUARY 1ST-14 TH

PTA Virtual Cupid Run [LINK](#) (please follow our FB page for more information)



## MEET OUR STAFF



*Ms. Carol Weaver, RN*

I am Registered Nurse for School Health Services. I have been employed with Pinellas County Schools for 26 years working in the front office of an Elementary School for 18 years, while attending nursing school. After graduation I transferred to Health Services as a school nurse and worked at various schools. I love my job and enjoy caring for the students and staff at Fuguitt Elementary. Thank you for welcoming me into your family and making me feel at home.

## February 2021 is Student Services Month

February has been designated as Student Services Month, a time to recognize and celebrate the critical contribution of our Student Services professionals and the role they play in helping to mold and educate our children. Our Fuguitt Student Services Team is our school counselor, Mrs. Warner, social

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worker, Mrs. DeMeza, school psychologist, Mrs. Harkins and Nurse Carol, our school nurse. The hard work, commitment, and invaluable contributions made by the Student Services staff are vital to our students' academic and emotional success particularly during these difficult times. Student Services professionals facilitate conditions for enhanced teaching and learning by providing support that strengthen the bond between families and schools. They play an integral part in the success and education providing social-emotional support throughout the developmental process of all our Fuguitt leaders. We appreciate the Student Services staff each and every day for their invaluable contribution and will formally recognize them during the month of February.



# IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

## LEADERS OF THE MONTH JANUARY 2021

Congratulations Fuguitt Elementary Leaders of the Month for exhibiting the **LEADER in ME habit №4, Think Win-Win!**

### Kindergarten

*Miss Branger's Class*

Kylie Perry

*Ms. Cole's Class*

Owen Woldseth

*Miss Craig's Class*

Keira Peckham

*Mrs. Szarkowski's Class*

Malik Spicer

### First Grade

*Mrs. Cellamare's Class*

Robert Sacco

*Mrs. Farmer's Class*

Kaidyn Santiago

*Mrs. Harris' Class*

Tasha White & Myla Muniz

*Mrs. Montague's Class*

Christian Miller

*Mrs. Rafferty's Class*

Logan Thornton

### Second Grade

*Mrs. Correa's Class*

Sasha Ruzanov & Axel Guadalupe

*Mrs. Erickson's K-2 Class*

Jose "Maiki" Rizo-Rivera

*Mrs. Kallas' Class*

Julian Maceira

*Ms. Garrett's Class*

Damien Whritenour

### Third Grade

*Mrs. Hildreth's Class*

Alina Fasoldt & Caleb Reed

*Mrs. Kubes' Class*

Jazii Delancey & Ashton Thomas

*Mrs. Byrd's Class*

Melina Cimarik

*Ms. Robinson's Class*

West Spencer

*Mrs. Sloan's 2-3 Class*

Jace Pugliese

*Mrs. Timberlake*

Sofia Deras

### Fourth Grade

*Mrs. Batista-Roca*

Kailani Suwardhana

*Mr. Catlin's Homeroom*

Hoang Ho

*Mrs. Catlin's and Mr. Long's Class*

Faye Golding

### Fifth Grade

*Mr. Freed's Homeroom*

Eulalio "LJ" Alvarez

*Ms. Hagan's and Mrs. Berrian's Class*

Antaniece Sands

*Ms. Palumbo's Homeroom*

Klesti Trushi

## VIRTUAL RUN

Join us for our **1st Annual Cupid Virtual Run** as we get out during the month of February and get moving. You can participate by walking, jogging, running, biking, swimming... anyway that you want to move. Our goal is to see how active our Fuguitt families can get and promote healthy habits. Do the virtual run with children, friends and family whether you are together or in different areas.



We encourage you to email us pictures from your virtual run so we can share them on our various platforms ([fuguittelempta@gmail.com](mailto:fuguittelempta@gmail.com)). Also, feel free to post on social media and tag us using #GatorsGetMoving so we can like your post. Once we receive your picture or confirmation your race is complete we will send you a certificate of completion and a medal that you can display proudly. This virtual run is open to all ages.

Please note that pictures sent to us may be utilized on our various social media platforms, yearbook, and newsletter.

## TUMBLE BOOK LIBRARY

Dear Parents and Students,

***Please make every effort to find and return devices that are still at home from the Pandemic checkout!*** We need them back at school with the children! Contact Mrs. Carver with any questions [carverk@pcsb.org](mailto:carverk@pcsb.org)



Enjoy a book from the Tumble Book Library: [TumbleBook Library](https://www.tumblebooklibrary.com)

**User ID:** fuguitt

**Password:** books

Thanks to Elizabeth Ryan for writing a grant through the Lightning Foundation for a year's free access for our students.

## 1ST ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION

Coming in March 2021! We are collecting donations for our 1st Annual PTA Silent Auction. All proceeds will go to the Fuguitt Elementary PTA to be used for field day shirts and drinks, testing snacks, monthly student activities, etc.

If you would like to donate a gift basket, gift certificate, etc please email us at [fuguittelempta@gmail.com](mailto:fuguittelempta@gmail.com). Please be informed that all donations are tax deductible.

