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Message from PTA President, Mr Matthew Steele

Be my Volunteer? Once again, I want to thank all of the volunteers that continue to make this year such a success. Without your help, none of this is possible. We are always looking for additional people willing to donate their time. Please contact us at info.fuguitt.pta@gmail.com to learn how you can make a difference! How do we change the world? One act of kindness at a time. The key to life is found in relationships. Good relationships are begun and maintained through the kindness we show one another. Our children need to learn kindness and be shown kindness. This month at the All Pro Dad's meeting we discussed the topic of Kindness and how one simple gesture such as a hug can change someone's life forever. Please take a moment and discuss with your children what showing kindness means to them and join us in March for

the next All Pro Dad meeting as we discuss Perseverance. A special thank you to everyone who came out for Movie Night. On behalf of the PTA we apologize for any technical difficulties but it was easy to see all of the children still enjoyed themselves. We look forward to hosting more events like this in the future! The PTA has launched its annual fundraiser! All of the programs and events the PTA host each year are dependent on the success of this fundraiser. Please share with everyone you can as no sale is too small. For those children who sell at least 15 items, your child will be entered to win a gaming system of their choice and go to lunch in a limo! For more details, please contact us or refer to the packet that was sent home the week of February 18th. We appreciate your support! *"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?"* - Martin Luther King Jr.

Meet our School guidance counselor, Mrs. Warner

My name is Angela Warner. I have studied and worked in the area of elementary education for the past 33 years. I served as a classroom teacher for 12 years in grades two through five both in Ohio, and in Pinellas County. I have served as a school counselor in Pinellas County for the past 21 years, 6 of them at Fuguitt Elementary. Working with children is a passion that I have carried with me since my own formative elementary years. I see potential in the students that I work with, and I help them to see it as well. I share with them the hope for a future of possibilities.

Message from Fuguitt Principal, Mrs Kathlene Bentley

Dear Fuguitt Families, March is upon us and soon we will be moving into the last quarter of the year. We still have much learning ahead of us. Beginning in April, our 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students will begin taking the Florida Standardized Assessments and Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd will take the spring MAP assessment. By using our <u>7 habits</u>, we can help our students achieve their best! The first habit us *"Be Proactive"*. When we are proactive, we're in charge! Our students need to realize that when they are better prepared, they have more control of the situation. Every day our students build upon prior knowledge to increase their preparedness for taking an assessment and showing what they know! The second leadership habit suggests that, in everything we do, we should *"Begin with the End in Mind"*, which is starting with a clear plan of action. Planning helps our students draw upon skills and strategies to finish the test within the given amount of time. Managing test taking skills effectively, means we must *"Put First Things First"*. Students should work first, then play. This begins with listening closely to test directions as they are read and staying focused on the task at hand throughout the testing period. There may be times during an assessment that a student is not sure of an answer and they find themselves becoming anxious. This is when we can apply the leadership habit *"Think Win-Win"*. By using this habit, a student should eliminate the choices they know are wrong on a question and choose the one they think is the best choice. It is better to answer all



Upcoming Events



Feb 28th - March 7th Dino-mite book fair 2nd at 8:45 AM General Meeting 2nd at 9:00 AM - 12 PM Beautification Day 8th - 17th SPRING HOLIDAYS No school for students 29th at 7:30 AM All Pro Dad's Meeting



TBD: General Meeting, 2019 -2020 Board Elections 26th at 7:30 AM All Pro Dad's Meeting

<u>PRINCIPAL of Fuguitt</u> <u>Elementary School</u> Kathlene Bentley, Ed.D.

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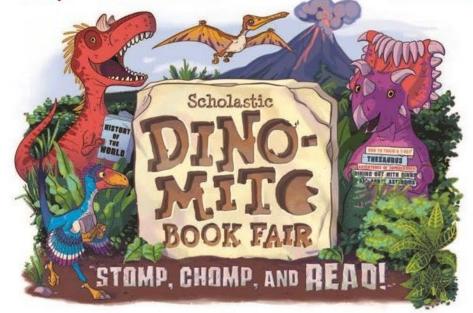
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questions than leave any blank and not make a choice at all. These are just a few of the Leader in Me habits that can be applied to test preparation and daily study in general. In March, we have spring break (March 11-15) and this is a great time to practice habit #7, "Sharpen the Saw". We can devote the time to renewing ourselves physically, spiritually, mentally, and socially. Sharpening the saw is especially beneficial during assessment times. Thank you for your continued support at Fuguitt Elementary where our leaders SHINE!

It's Book Fair time again! The scholastic Dino-mite book fair starts today the 28th of February and will last until the 7th of March!



Come visit Mrs. Carver in the library before school and during school hours. Volunteers are always encouraged!!!



Wilcox Nursery



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HELD EVENTS

Crossing Guard Appreciation Day, February 1st

You already know that we **LOVE Ms. Marlene!** The PTA decided to get her a little something to show our appreciation to her dedication.

Kindergarteners, Brett and Sasha, had to stop and pose for a quick photo with their everyday hero!





All Pro Dads Meeting 15th of February, 7.30 AM - 8.30 AM

Last month's topic was "Kindness". How do we change the world? One act of kindness at a time. The key to life is found in relationship. Good relationships are begun and maintained through the kindness we show one another. Our children need to learn kindness and be shown kindness. We discussed how we should talk with our kids about kindness and how showing kindness to your family can be as simple as offering to help and/or giving a hug.

Family Movie Night

22nd of February at 5.30 PM - 8.00 PM Movie night was such a great cozy time with our Fuguitt Family! We watched "Ralph Breaks the Internet" while enjoying delicious pizza, nachos, candy bars and drinks!



Ask them to look of opportunities to be a help to your parents and/or their siblings. Let them know to be on the lookout for times when a hug will brighten someone's dav. Please remember this program is voluntary and is designed for anyone who is playing the role of father in a child's life and is not just limited to Fathers. This includes grandparents, aunts, uncles, older step-parents siblings, and most importantly mothers who are left with the incredible task of handling dual roles. Please join us on the 29th of March at 7.30 AM! You won't want to miss it!



We would like to thank all our awesome volunteers for helping out during the event! We couldn't do that without you!







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