

Sea Turtle Times

Safety Harbor Elementary
April 2020

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Calendar



Mark Your Calendar:

Remote Learning
March 30th – May 1st

Reach your teacher:
9:00am – 11:30 am
1:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Virtual Office Hours
8:30am-3:30pm
727-724-1462

Ms. Palmer: ext. 2020
Tech Help: ext. 2029
Secretary: ext. 2005
Registration: ext. 2007

**April is Autism
Awareness Month!**
**In a world where you
can be anything, be
kind!**



Principal's Pen

Greeting SHES Families!

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family well and safely tucked at home with one another. This time has definitely provided an opportunity to grow our appreciation and incorporate things we may not have taken the time to enjoy – music, movies, games, bike rides, walks and simply spending quality time together. Although I have missed seeing our students and families each day, I have enjoyed popping into class lessons, class meetings and chats to hear our SHES scholars engaging with each other and their teacher. Keep the photos coming of your little ones learning at home!

We are now approaching our third week of remote learning and I would like to personally thank each of you for your patience and persistence to overcome the technology challenges we have experienced. April's character month is definitely a reminder for us all in this respect. Maintain self-control and do what we can, when we can, keeping in mind that remote learning IS school, so we do want to meet the expectations that have been shared for each week the best we can.

Please know that as we are all learning about this new way of work adjustments continue to be made to better serve each of our students. We are here for you! You can reach your teachers through team and request a personal conversation, or reach out as always to our main number 727-724-1462 with extensions provided. Our instructional staff is committed to reaching each student and continuing our mission of engaging students and moving them forward academically, socially and emotionally – however, we need your help, more than ever, to keep our students connected. Be sure you are checking in daily with your teacher's Team page.

This Wednesday afternoon from 3:30-4:30pm I will host a "Virtual Parent Chat with Ms. Palmer". This will be in lieu our April SAC Meeting. It is completely optional, but if you are interested in participating, please visit the following link to RSVP by Tuesday, April 14th by noon. Please include an accurate e-mail address so I can share a meeting link with you prior to the session.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4BA8A823A0F49-shes2>

If you are a parent who is still working to support others, whether from home or in your place of employment, if you are a first responder or serving patients in medical or nursing facilities – THANK YOU, THANK YOU for all you are doing for our community. We will overcome this current predicament and be together once more. Stay well.....

April Character
Trait:
Self-Control
Managing your
emotions &
choosing
acceptable
behavior!

*Ms. Palmer,
Principal*

March Character Winners for Honesty:

Johnathan Hudlett
Anthony Babiy
Wyatt Danhour
Alyssa Armanious
Jaxson Carroll
Reagan Halstead
Alisa Maho
Logan Harrison
Chase Gallo
Angelina Lebron
Dean Nguyen
Brayden Ison
Julia Abdelmalek
Mia Robertson
Ava Krupa
Elona Cubaj
Corey Moody
Max Szabo
Dominic Lawson
Emily Knox
Alex Marsden
Gracie Rodriguez
Shelby Walsh
Emilee Gease
Ayden McBride
Ainsley Dayton
Malia King
Brentin Hedgeman
Olivia Arbour
Loren Buckley
Veda Taylor
Logan Roberts
Lukas Geary
Zane Tyler
Liam Hall
Sarah Blair
Kayden Blankenship
Parker Fish
Aleksy Wills
Camren Ferrari

SHES Volunteers!
At home?
Got hours?
Great time to catch
up entering all of
your hours!
Help SHES shine!



Safety Harbor Elementary Families

SHES Virtual Parent Chat with Ms. Palmer - Wednesday, April 15th 3:30-4:30pm

In lieu of an April SAC meeting, I will be hosting a Parent Virtual Chat to check in with our Safety Harbor Elementary parents. If you are interested in participating, please click the button below to RSVP by Tuesday, April 14 at noon. You will need to leave your e-mail address in order for me to send you the meeting link on Wednesday. Thank you for all you are doing to support our students and staff! Fondly,
Ms. Palmer

Date: 04/15/2020 (Wed.)

Time: 3:30pm - 4:30pm EDT

Location: Microsoft Teams - Link will be sent to your e-mail on Wednesday, 4/15

Created by:  Cecilia Palmer 

PTA NEWS:

Hello SHES Families. This is a very strange time for all of us. We hope that everyone is staying safe, healthy and sane! We know this is a stressful time for all of us, try to take a deep breath and know we are all in this together. As we are sure you are aware, there is a lot of uncertainty regarding the remaining of the school year. As of now, all PTA sponsored events are on hold.

One thing that remains constant is our need for your help. We are still searching for board members and committee leaders for our next year's board. We hope you will take a minute to consider being a part of your PTA next year. There are so many ways in which you can help, including one time or monthly events. If you are interested in learning more about our board member and leadership positions, please reach out to one of the nominating committee members.

Whitney Dixon: whitneyjdixon@gmail.com

Valerie Brown: crunchymamaval@gmail.com

Natalie Putnam: natalie.b.putnam@gmail.com

If you have any questions or concerns, or we can be of any reach out to us at shespta1@gmail.com. We wish you luck in the upcoming weeks. Know you are not alone! PTA's Vision: Making Every Child's Potential a Reality!

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SHES Sea Turtle Classroom Partners!

The Colby Family
The Brown Family
The Tuzzo Family
Cypress Meadows Church

SHES
Yearbooks!



At this time it has not been determined if the yearbook will be able to be printed during this school year. We will keep everyone posted on all details as the situation becomes more clear in the upcoming weeks. If for any reason the yearbook does not come to fruition then everyone who has already paid will be reimbursed. Thank you for your patience.
--SHE PTA Yearbook Staff



Kiwanis Student of the Month: March Rylie Armanious

Rylie is my choice for Kiwanis Student of the Month. Rylie's dedication to her learning is what made her stand out as my selection for this month's Kiwanis student. She strives for perfection and works even harder to get it. She is very self-motivated, inquisitive and eager to learn. If she is faced with a challenging task, she is determined to figure it out and doesn't let frustration get in her way. Especially in math...when she doesn't understand something inside and out in math, her incredible mathematical mind takes off until she does!! It is truly amazing to watch! Might I add, she was also Safety Harbor Elementary Schools Math Pride Winner this year! Rylie is not only an amazing student, her good character is something to be admired. Rylie always presents herself with a smile and a kind demeanor. She gets along with all of her classmates and is always willing to lend a helping hand. Her drive to learn and succeed is outstanding! I am lucky to get to be her teacher this school year and know we will see great things from Rylie in the future!

--Mrs. Tickner



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Dear Safety Harbor Sea Turtle Families,

The K-Kids members met March 13, 2020 to discuss the craft community outreach project. The craft project will benefit children recently being removed from their home. Through research we were informed that many children leave their homes with minimal belongings. Our project will provide them with a canvas bag that will contain fabric markers that these children will be able to decorate. Our K-Kids members made inspirational cards that will go in the bags with a stuffed animal. Just a little something to take their minds off the events for a moment, a card to let them know that they aren't alone, and a stuffed animal to snuggle up to. With the current situation taking place, we might not be able to complete our project in April, but we will get it done as soon as possible.

On another note, I wanted to thank all the members and families that wrote cards to the residents of the rehabilitation facility in Tampa. The residents have been in quarantine for some time and our cards made a big impression on them. They greatly appreciated our kindness. Thank you for all that you do to support our community! Stay healthy and safe!

Mrs. Baby, Mrs. Collova, Mrs. Gazlay, and Mrs. Troutman



Nurse's Notes from Nurse Leslie



Hello Sea Turtles!! In this crazy time, we are all in uncharted territory. You all know how hard your teachers are working to help your children through remote learning. What you may not know, is that all those other faces you normally see at SHES are continuing to work hard behind the scenes.

I am still here for your students. It's different because I'm not in my clinic, ready to dole out hugs and ice, but I'm still here. If you need to reach me, call the school and dial extension 2026. That will be forwarded to my home phone during school hours. You can also e-mail me at johnsonles@pcsb.org.

While we all stay safer at home, here are some tips to help your family avoid illness:

- 1. Eat healthy: Fruits, veggies, lean protein & complex carbs (i.e., whole grain pasta or grains)**
- 2. Get plenty of rest: 8 – 9.5 hrs. of good, solid sleep**
- 3. Drink water: Eight 8 oz. glasses per day**
- 4. Wash your hands with soap and water**
 - Hand sanitizer - next best option if you don't have soap and water.
 - Wash after using the restroom
 - Wash if you sneeze or cough into your hands
(it is best to cough/sneeze into your elbow or down the front of your shirt)
 - Wash before preparing food
 - Wash if you've helped someone who is sick
 - **WASH WASH WASH!**
- 5. Avoid touching your face**

Cute handwashing video for the kids from the DOH –

https://s33330.pcdn.co/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/kids_handwash_video.mp4

Excellent video showing how soap kills the virus - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-LKVUarhtvE&feature=youtu.be>

Please let your children know that I miss them and look forward to seeing them again on the other side of this.

Stay healthy, everyone!

Nurse Leslie