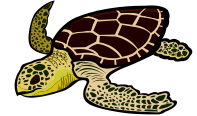
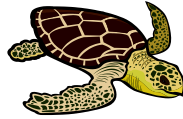




Safety Harbor Elementary

August 2017

NEWSLETTER



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Mark Your Calendar

- 8/10 First Day of School
- 8/10 PTA Boo Hoo Breakfast, 8:35 am
- 8/17 Scouting Night, 7pm
- 8/22 Pre - K and Kindergarten Open House - 6pm- 7pm
- 8/24 1st PTA general meeting & Bingo for Books 5:45 pm - 7:30 pm
- 8/25 Character Assembly, 8:35am
- 9/4 - Labor Day - SCHOOL CLOSED
- 9/7 - All Pro Dads, 7:45 am

NEWSFLASH!

Welcome Back SHES Families!

It is the beginning of an exciting new school year. And what a way to start! Congratulations to our students, families and staff for earning the Florida Department of Education school grade of an "A"! A wonderful accomplishment for all.

In an effort to continue this trajectory of success, I would encourage you to start the year off right by establishing supportive processes at home such as setting aside an area to complete homework, organize backpacks, review and sign agenda books. Regular communication with your child's teacher is also very essential. Agenda books, e-mail, phone calls and parent conferences are all great ways to reach out for clarification or to gain strategies to support your student.

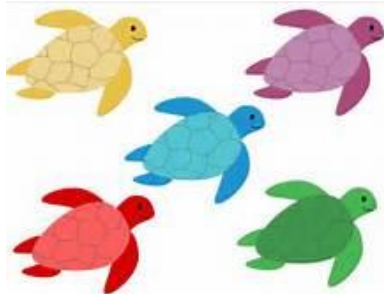
With a focused goal on increasing literacy performance at SHES, daily reading at home is essential. Reading takes place in all curriculum areas and student success depends on the ability to decode, comprehend and interpret what is read. Planning a time to read to or with your child nightly, for at least 20 minutes, can make all the difference in your child's ability to tackle rigorous curriculum they will be encountering this school year.

Finally, families, please be on the look-out for this year's safety campaign information. The attached flyer was sent on Peach Jar and presented at open house and refers to safe routes to school. The processes that we implement for arrival and dismissal are established to ensure student safety. We greatly appreciate your support by demonstrating to your child appropriate pedestrian and vehicle safety.

As always parents, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the front office. I am looking forward to another great year!

Ms. Palmer, Principal

Welcome Back Safety Harbor Sea Turtles!



August Character Trait: **Respect**
Treating yourself and others with
courtesy & consideration!



IMPORTANT SCHOOL COMMUNICATION INFORMATION!!

Beginning in September, newsletters will go home electronically. If you would like to request a paper copy instead, please contact the front office.



If we have your current email address on file, then no action is required on your part. If your child has moved to a new school in the district, you will receive e-flyers from the new school. If you have not provided your email address or your email address has changed, please update this information to avoid missing important flyers. Visit our homepage and scroll to the bottom to sign up to have school approved e-flyers delivered straight to your e-mail address.

To ensure smooth delivery of this communication, we suggest you add "school@peachjar.com" to your email contacts. When you receive your first e-flyer, be sure to click "always display images."

Rest assured, this system is used exclusively for distribution of school-approved flyers. Your email address will not be shared or used for any other purpose.



RevTrak!

Now Available at **SAFETY HARBOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** for certain items and/or fees: Pay when it's most convenient with a computer or mobile device at <https://pcsb.RevTrak.net>. Skip the lines and save time. You can pay online with e Check, debit, or credit cards. Our school is currently accepting online payments. There will be a 3.61% service fee charged on all purchases.

- ❖ Remember, visit <https://pcsb.RevTrak.net> to pay fees online.
- ❖ Purchasing field trip, donations (Class Partners) and tuition by credit/debit. More information will follow!!!

Welcome Back from the music department at Safety Harbor Elementary! We are so excited to have you back at school and I hope you are equally as excited to be here! Here is the information regarding your grade level concerts this year. You can write it on the calendar and be ready when the time comes!

Thursday, November 9 at 6:30 p.m. : **2nd Grade: Veteran's Day Concert.** The students arrive in the music room at 6:15 p.m. The concert begins at 6:30 p.m. and will conclude around 7:15 p.m. As this is a patriotic concert, the students wear red, white and blue. They will sing songs about America and will honor the veterans that served our country. Special recognition will happen for the veterans who attend the concert.

Thursday, December 14 at 6:00 p.m. **1st Grade: Winter Concert.** The children will arrive to their classroom about 5:45 p.m. The concert begins at 6:00 p.m. and will conclude around 6:30 p.m. They wear festive holiday clothing and will sing songs about holidays that occur in the Winter months from different places.

Thursday, December 14 at 7:00 p.m. **5th Grade: Winter Chorus concert.** Chorus is an extra period – students miss 45 minutes of class once a week to prepare for this concert. It is optional and as such, it requires parent permission to miss their science block for the day. This is a holiday concert, so concert dress is expected. We usually do a "black light, white glove" piece, so it is requested that they not wear white or light colors for a better effect. Report time is 6:45 p.m. and the concert will conclude by 7:45 p.m.

Wednesday, February 14 at 1:15p.m. **Kindergarten: Grandparent's Day Program.** The children wear festive clothing for Valentine's Day and we sing songs about love and dedicate the performance to Grandparents.

Thursday, May 10 at 6:00 p.m. **3rd Grade: 50's Concert.** The students arrive at 5:45 p.m. in the music room. The concert begins at 6:00 p.m. and will conclude about 6:45p.m. The students have a great time wearing poodle skirts and bobby socks or jeans and t-shirt! They love twisting and doing the hand jive. A favorite concert for all!

Thursday, May 10 at 7:00 p.m. **4th Grade: Chorus concert.** See 5th grade for Chorus participation information. This is a thematic concert, TBA when the chorus classes start – sometime in January. We usually do a "black light, white glove" piece, so it is requested that they not wear white or light colors for a better effect. Report time is 6:45 p.m. in the music room and the concert will conclude by 7:45 p.m.

See you in class!!

*Ms. Carstensen
Music Teacher*

SHES Café News!

Breakfast: 8:05 – 8:25 am

Breakfast is FREE for all students!

Lunch: \$2.00

Ala Cart Snacks: \$.50 - \$1.00

Friday Ice Cream: \$1.00

Apply for free or reduced lunch at

www.myschoolapps.com

Add money to a lunch account please visit

www.myschoolbucks.com



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow!										
Safety Harbor Elementary 2016 Attendance Averages	14.4%	12.0%	10.1%	8.3%	9.4%	8.1%	8.9%	8.0%	8.5%	7.7%
	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May

It's Cool To Be In School ~ Every Day!

Student attendance is monitored by our school based Child Study Team biweekly. It is also monitored at the district level. Above is the monthly percentage of students who missed 10% or more days of school. Thank you for working together to ensure that your child is in attendance regularly. Research shows that missing 5 or more days over the course of a school year can negatively impact academic achievement. Let's start the school year off right!

Clinic News!

We are in need of gently used **SHORTS** for boys and girls, all sizes.

We are also in need of **NEW underpants** for boys and girls.

Any donations would be appreciated! Thank you!



PTA UPDATE

Hello Safety Harbor Families,

It's hard to believe that we are beginning a new school year. My name is Kelly Edwards, your new PTA president, and on behalf of SHES PTA, we would like to welcome you to the 2017-18 school year. We look forward to seeing everyone again and look forward to meeting all of our new families. We have many great programs and events planned this year, so we invite you to join us in an effort to enrich the overall experience for our children.



As many of you are aware, the PTA is truly an essential component of our school by funding learning and student support through our programs and events. Make sure to attend our general PTA meeting, Bingo for Books, on Thursday Aug 24th, 5:45p-7:30p to learn of all of the great events we have planned this year and what programs are funded by these events. Your family will also have fun winning great books for your children's home libraries. We will be kicking off our Yankee Candle fall fundraiser on Aug 25th. to help us reach our goals of funding almost 25 events and programs this year.

Lastly, be on the lookout for your PTA Back to School packet that has a lot of great information included, such as a school calendar, merchandise information, as well as information on how to join PTA and help out at our wonderful events. If you have any questions or didn't receive a particular form, please reach out to us at our new website www.ourshespta.org, our FB page "Safety Harbor Elementary PTA" or send us an email at shespta1@gmail.com. We look forward to a great year!

Electronic Signature Options

Beginning in the 2017-2018 school year, parents have the option to electronically sign certain forms instead of submitting signed paper copies to their child's school.

Parents will have the option of electronically signing the following forms:

- Media Release Form
- Network/Internet Acceptable Use Agreement
- Directory Information Opt-Out Letter
- Parent and Student Acknowledgement of Student Code of Conduct

Electronic submission of these forms will be available as of August 1, 2017 through our Student Reservation System.

