# Sea Turtle Times

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## Calendar



October

10/4 - IMOMS - 7:55 am

10/9 - SAC Meeting 5:30pm

10/10 – National Walk to School Day 7:50am

10/12 - End of Grading Period

10/15 – No school for students

10/16 - Fundraiser orders due

10/26 – Fall Festival 5-7:30pm Report Cards Come Home

10/30 - Picture Retake Day

10/31 – Sea Turtle Character Assembly

Coming soon... November

11/1 - All Pro Dads

11/1 - Skating Party - Astro Skate

11/5 - Book Fair Starts



SHES PTA

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# Principal's Pen

Dear SHES Families,

Thank you to all of our families who attended our Reading Night last week to get the scoop on reading! Thank you as well to our staff members and PTA Hospitality team for hosting. Reading at least 20-30 minutes each day in a "just right" book is one of the most effective ways for students to increase their reading level and vocabulary. Parents of beginning readers are also highly encouraged to read aloud each day and ask questions to increase comprehension. If you were unable to attend the event, please talk with your classroom teacher about strategies that can help to increase your child's confidence and reading performance.

Students across the district are working with our progress monitoring assessment tool, MAP (Measures of Academic Progress). Students in Kindergarten through 5th grade will participate in this assessment 2-3 times per year, depending on their grade level. MAP, is a computerized adaptive test which helps us improve learning for all students and make informed decisions to promote and monitor a child's academic growth. Following assessments in Literacy, Math and Science, classroom teachers will share these results, along with other academic information through parent conferences. Please take the time to meet with your child's teacher as we value and appreciate your partnership in the learning process.

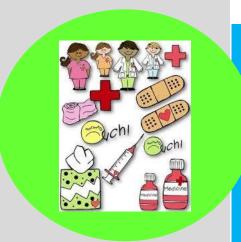
October is going to be one very exciting month for us! Along with all iMoms, National Walk to School Day and our PTA fundraiser, please plan to attend our annual SHES Fall Festival on Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. The fun begins at 5:00pm and it is surely to be a great time with music, games, inflatables, petting zoo and a variety of delicious food options. Please consider helping to make this a successful and fun event for our students by volunteering, even if just for an hour. I look forward to celebrating with you and your family!

Ms. Palmer

October Character Trait:
Cooperation
Getting along with others and
working together.

September Character Winners-Responsibility Coby Craig Dean Jackson Ethan Jackson Elena Douskos-Duarte Kylie Clouse Nick Spindler Briana Salinas-Hernandez Kamila Thanasi Jackson Sneddon Annabella D'Andrea Elena Tickner Jack Egelston Jack Cook Riley English Jacob Pham Nicole Harter Evan Cahenzli Katelyn Edwards Kelly Pruitt Arturo Cruz-Majia Patricia Anderson Villiam Gahura Jiya Patel Tiarra Jones Anisha Sharma Rebecca Bankston Amaria Wright Dayne Marolf Brayde Ison Julia Abdelmalek Carson Walls James Rivero Sophia Pacheco Alyssa Rigney Jackson Shepherd Callen Zollicoffer Charles Gaudin Mariyah McBride Logan Roberts Jackson Walls Jessica Knox

SHES CLASSROOM
PARTNERS!
Michael Gamble
Lynn O'Neill
The Brown Family
The Jones Family



### **SHES PTA NEWS!**

October with SHES PTA = FUN!!

We hope that you and your family were able to attend this year's first All Pro Dad's meeting filled with bottle flipping fun and had a deliciously fun time making your own ice cream sundae at the annual Reading Night. Thank you to all our volunteers who made these events possible!

October is a fun and busy month with SHES PTA!! We will start the month off by sharing some valuable time at this year's first iMoms meeting (10/4) as well as National Walk to School Day (10/10) where students and families will walk to school from the Safety Harbor Gazebo while learning important safety ideas.

Towards the end of the month we will kick off our annual Fall Fest celebration!! Students will be busy making their class pumpkin with room reps and families will make memories enjoying a funfilled night of bouncy houses, carnival games, cake walks, food for purchase, and more at the Fall Festival (10/26) held on our PE fields. Please mark your calendar with these fun dates and remember that volunteers are always appreciated.

Your student should have brought home our Fall Fundraiser information packet. This fundraiser is filled with a variety of items that are perfect for gifting, helping around the house, or even treating yourself. Fundraisers are essential to the PTA being able to continue offering family events, campus improvement projects, staff support, and student motivation, all of which make SHES shine! Completed packets are due on 10/16 and items will be delivered in early November. We appreciate your support!

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### Clinic News!

Elastic band shorts needed, all sizes.

Students must be fever free <u>without</u> the assistance of medicine for 24 hours before returning to school.

# Volunteer Corner!

Fall Fest Volunteers
Needed!
Please contact Lisa Zollars
in the front office if you
are available.

Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> 5 - 7:30 pm Must be a registered volunteer to help



Kiwanis Students of the Month: Annie Hilgeman & Beckett Tibbetts!

On behalf of the Safety Harbor Elementary PE team, I would like to thank the Kiwanis Club for allowing us to publicly recognize two wonderful student athletes. We at Safety Harbor Elementary are blessed to have several deserving 5th grade students so each year our choice is a difficult one and this year was no exception. That said, there are two student athletes here today that stood out among the rest. The Safety Harbor Elementary PE team would like to recognize Annie Hilgeman and Beckett Tibbetts as our choice for the Kiwanis Students of the month.

Annie Hilgeman was selected not only for her athletic ability and talent on the PE field, but for the way she carries herself each and every day. Annie is a perfect example of an encouraging and supportive teammate to everyone. Annie's warm personality and smile inspire her classmates and anyone around her. Annie always does what is asked of her and gives her all no matter the task. Annie's 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher stated that the traits we see on the field carry over 100% to the classroom. Annie is also a Safety Patrol at SHES and is a great example to our younger students. Whether she is excelling at tetherball, competing at flag games or leading younger students as a Safety Patrol, its Annie's warm and caring personality that stands out most. We are proud of Annie and honored to select her as our student of the month.

If you are on the PE field and see a quiet flash go by you there is a good chance it is Beckett Tibbetts. The only thing that rivals Beckett's speed and quickness is his respect for those around him. Beckett gives a full effort whether he is competing in his favorite game or participating in a PE fitness day. Beckett treats his classmates and teachers with the utmost respect in every situation. Beckett leads his classmates by example with the way he gives his all and treats others. Beckett's teacher shared that he carries the same work ethic and respect into the classroom as well. Beckett is also a Safety Patrol and is a great example for young students on how to treat others and give a maximum effort in all they do. Beckett's speed, agility and quickness help him succeed in PE activities but it is his effort, respect for others and team approach that sets him apart. We are honored to select Beckett as our student of the month and are proud to have him leading our school this year.



# <u>Parents can join students for lunch</u> on Monday's!

Breakfast: 8:15 – 8:35 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 by visiting <a href="https://www.myschoolbucks.com">www.myschoolbucks.com</a> You will need the student's 10 digit student ID number

What's Cooking at SHES?



### Lunch Pal Mentors Needed...

Make an Impact, Become a Mentor! We need Lunch Pal mentors! Especially MALE Lunch Pal Mentors! Become a registered volunteer, attend a mentor workshop, change the life of a student! It is that easy! Only 30 minutes a week during lunch! Any day of the week! Contact Lisa Zollars in the front office for more details!



Dear Safety Harbor Sea Turtles,

K-Kids had their first official meeting and the election of our new officers, and it was a huge success. Our new President is Adelyn Troutman, Vice President is William Kent, Treasurer is Neil Hernandez and our Secretary is Olivia Webb. We are thrilled to have these awesome officers running K-Kids this year!

K-Kids theme for this year is reaching out to our Magnificent Military. We will be meeting on October 12, 2018 at 7:45 a.m. in the media center to gather ideas about how we can make a difference for our military living in our community. If you have an idea or see a need that K-Kids could provide assistance or support, please let one of the K-Kids Officers or facilitators know.

We are all looking forward to making this year a great success for our school and community! Mrs. Troutman, Mrs. Baby, Mrs. Collova, Mrs. Gazlay

Everyday Counts!
Attend Today,
Achieve Tomorrow

### **#EVERYDAY COUNTS**

#### ATTENDANCE MATTERS!!

Poor attendance can influence whether children read proficiently by the end of third grade or be held back.

Research shows that missing 10 percent of the school year, or about 18 days in most school districts, negatively affects a student's academic performance. That's just **two days a month** and that's known as chronic absenteeism.

