

Bear Creek Hotline

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Student In Class Hours

8:45 AM to 2:45 PM

Principal's Corner

December 1-31, 2018

Dear Parents, Guardians and Friends of Bear Creek,

Our school experienced another wonderful Great American Teach-In on Wednesday, November 15th. The students all had a great time and learned a lot about hobbies, jobs and careers. I would like to thank Mrs. Giering our volunteer coordinator for her months of planning, organizing and coordinating this fantastic and informative event. **A Big Thank You** to the parents and community partners who took time out of their busy schedules to share this special day with us.

Thank you to Mrs. McMahon, Mrs. Hobbs and Math Committee for another fun evening of Bear Creek's Annual Math Treasure Hunt. Everyone enjoyed a pizza dinner with an ice cream dessert. The students solved a math problem at each station and were able to earn a math multiplicative to take home.

Congratulations to the new inductees into Girlfriends of Pinellas County. Their mission is to provide support, enhance self-discipline and cultivate high self-esteem by building relationships with positive role models. Thirty-two Bear Creek fourth and fifth grade girls received their pearls on Wednesday, November 7th. We would like to thank all the organizers and mentors involved with this club.

Please come out to our PTA Board meeting on Tuesday, December 18th, at 6PM. We always welcome more parent and community participation. PTA Fundraiser items will be here on Wednesday, December 13th. The fundraiser participants may come by the Cafeteria between 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm to pick up your orders.

Bear Creeks Winter Concert for Kindergarten, First and Second Grades on December 10th at 6:30 pm, will be held at the Grace Bible Church right across the street from the school. You do not want to miss this fantastic evening. Thank you to Grace Bible Church for opening up their doors to our Bear Creek Community.

Spirit Week is coming during the week of December 17th to the 21st. We would like to encourage students and staff to dress according to the daily themes. See the back of this flyer to see what to wear for each day.

During the Winter Holidays we are sending home a Winter Break Challenge, there is a fantastic incentive planned if your child participates. I am looking forward to a wonderful school year as we are "Changing the narrative, one student at a time. We are Authors of our own story!" Please feel free to contact the school if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for allowing us the privilege of teaching your children each and every day. Have a great Winter Holiday!!!

Willette Houston, Principal

We will continue to use Guidelines for success as our school wide focus. The new Guidelines are:

Be Responsible

Encourage Others

Actively Participate

Respect All

Please review the guidelines of success at home!



Bear Creek Presents

Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grades

Winter Concert at Grace Bible Church


(located just across the street from Bear Creek)

Monday, December 10th @ 6:30 PM

All K-2nd grade and Chorus students need to arrive before 6:15 pm, in the back of the church.

Mark Your Calendars

Dec 7 - Wear Jeans for the day for a \$1 Fundraiser Benefits 2nd Grade

**Dec 10 - Winter Concert
for K-2 & Chorus** 
Grace Bible Church @ 6:30 PM

**Dec 13 - PTA Fundraiser Pick Up Day
@ 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM**

Dec 14 - Kindergarten - Gingerbread Hunt

Dec 17 to 21 - Spirit Week ,see next page!

Dec 18 - PTA Board Meeting @ 6:00 PM

Dec 19 - Pre-K Holiday Program

@ 9AM in the Pre-K Pod

Dec 21 - Kindergarten-Teddy Bear Picnic

Winter Holidays Reminder!



No School

Dec 24th - Jan. 7th Winter Holidays

Return to School on Jan. 8, 2018

2019

Jan 1 - New Year's Day

Jan 8 - Return to School

Jan 11 - Wear Jeans for the day for a \$1 Fundraiser Benefits 3rd Grade

Jan 09 - 18, 2019

District School Applications Begins

Mission Statement for 2018-2019 - Providing all children with a challenging, high-quality education for their academic and vocational success.



Good News Club is coming to Bear Creek Elementary



Beginning with a Christmas party on December 17,

club will meet every **Monday** for 12 weeks.

Good News Club is a fun-filled 90 minutes, meeting right after school in the Media Center. It includes **snacks, singing, Bible lessons** and **games**.

It is open to all children **Grades 1 - 5**.

Enrollment will begin in December at the Bear Creek office.

There is no charge for enrollment, but parental permission is required.

For more information, ask in school office,
or call the team leader, Mrs. Jensen at 727-280-6202.

Good News Club is sponsored by Child Evangelism Fellowship and Grace Bible Church - our neighbor across the street.

The school is neither endorsing nor sponsoring the above event nor approving or endorsing the views of the organization sponsoring the activity.

October Citizens of the Month

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| Ah'ternity Rowe | Kennedi Robinson |
| Ah'mire Rowe | Christina Gilwuyouch |
| Samantha Harris | Alayla Thomas |
| Dallas Gibbons | Gary Mitchell |
| Nathaniel Nazario | Zy'Keria Grant |
| Charlotte Raiola | Tammy Burch |
| Claire Grisham | Armani Woods |
| Michael Trice | Riley Bussman |
| Robert Harris | Mason Silvers |
| Lily Barkova | |

Important Choice Program Events

Families will be able to explore individual programs at Discovery Nights at schools. They have already started and will continue to **Dec. 21st**. All Discovery night events **start at 6:00 p.m.** To view the new Choice Program brochure, fliers, Discovery Night dates and additional information, visit www.pcsb.org/choice.

The District Application period for next school year is Jan 9 - 18, 2018.

Acceptance Period will be from Feb. 13 - 22, 2018.

For more information contact the Student Assignment department at StudentAssignment@pcsb.org or (727) 588-6210.



Wear Jeans for a \$1 Day!
Friday, December 7th
In December we support
2nd Grade Classes!!



Commitment to Character

Word for December

is "Kindness" - Being nice and considerate toward others.

Bear Creek Elementary Spirit Week is December 17 - 21

During this week, we would like to encourage students and staff to dress according to daily themes.

Monday - 12/17 - **College Day** (Wear your favorite college tee shirt)

Tuesday - 12/18 - **Superhero Day** (Wear their favorite super hero tee shirt)

Wednesday - 12/19 - **Flannel Shirt Day** (Wear your favorite flannel shirt)

Thursday - 12/20 - **Decade Day** (Wear an outfit or item from your favorite decade 70's/80's/90's)

Friday - 12/22 - **Pajama Day** (Wear your favorite Jammies)

***Please remember that appropriate shoes are to be worn for Physical Education.

