Pinellas Central Mustang Round–Up



March 2018

VISION: Professional Community of Educators promoting 100% student success CORE VALUES: Professional – Passionate – Positive

MISSION STATEMENT: The mission of Pinellas Central Elementary is to create a safe and positive learning environment where all individuals feel valued and challenged to reach their highest potential.

Principal's Message

It is hard to believe that March has arrived and this month our students will begin state assessments. We are confident that the teaching and learning at Pinellas Central has prepared our students to successfully complete the Florida State Assessments this year. Our 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students will be taking Florida Standards Assessments in literacy and math and our 5th grade students will also take the FSA Science assessment. Testing will continue this year in April and into May.

Breakfast is served from 8:05AM – 8:35AM. This allows students to leave the café in time to be in class when instruction begins at 8:35AM. Students who eat breakfast at school should arrive no later than 8:15 in order to have time to eat and arrive to class on time. The café staff begin preparation for lunch at 8:35, therefore, breakfast is not available for tardy students.

Please remember how important it is for students to attend school regularly and to be in class on time. Bell to bell instruction is expected at PCE and students even a few minutes late may miss out on important learning.

Summer Bridge information will be sent home with students this month. All students are welcome to attend. If you are interested in your child attending Summer Bridge, please let their teacher know or look on the school website where registration information is posted. This is an excellent summer program that will facilitate continued learning during the summer break. Although we are not a Summer Bridge site this year, there are several elementary schools from which to choose. Register early and apply for the YMCA or RClub for after school care. Remember to check the calendar for this month's events. Thank you for partnering with us in education and I look forward to seeing you around campus.

Dr. Cara Walsh, Principal



http://www.pcsb.org/pincen-es

Mustang Round Up Announcements & Reminders



- 2/26 3/12 PTA Spring Fundraiser
- 3/5 PTA Board Meeting 6pm
- 3/9 PTA Sponsored Movie Under The Stars 6:45pm-8:35pm
- 3/12 School Open-Hurricane Make-Up day
- 3/20 Spring Picture Day
- 3/20 Astro Skate Spirit Night \$6 cash only 6pm–8pm
- 3/22 K–2nd grade Field Day
- 3/23 3rd–5th grade Field Day
- 3/23 Report Cards go home
- 3/23 Chuck E. Cheese Spirit Night 3pm–9pm
- 3/26-3/30 Spring Break

- SPRING BREAK
- 4/2 PTA Board Meeting 6pm

Are you interested in being a part of our PTA board? We are looking to fill positions on our board for the 2018-2019 school year. Elections will be held in April. Contact us for more information. Any questions for or about PTA can be sent to pinellascentralpta@gmail.com.



Volunteers



We are looking for volunteers for our upcoming Field Day being held on March 22nd for (K-2ND) and March 23rd for (3RD,5TH). If you would like

to volunteer for this exciting annual event we are in need of multiple volunteers each day! Please contact Jami Carpenter at (727)547-7853, ext. 2101 or via e-mail at <u>carpenterjam@pcsb.org</u>.





We hope you will join us for Movie Under the Stars! This event will be a free showing of CoCo with free popcorn! Kona Ice will be in attendance with ice cups being available for purchase with prices ranging from \$3-\$6! We hope to see you there.



ON SALE NOW!

2017-2018 PCE Yearbook

\$12 per book

Watch your child's agenda for information on how to order at school and online.



Could your child benefit from extra learning opportunities over the summer?

Summer Bridge provides engaging activities to prepare students for maximum success when the next school year begins. Parents can apply for Summer Bridge programs at <u>reservation.pcsb.org</u>. Most elementary, middle and high school programs will take place 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., June 5 to July 19, Monday-Thursday. There will be no classes the week of July 4th. Learn more info at <u>www.pcsb.org/summerbridge</u>. If you have questions about Summer Bridge, contact your child's school.



Mustang Round-Up Recognitions & Department News

Patrols of the Month

Alexis McCollum– Does a great job in and out of class being responsible and having a positive attitude. Outstanding!



Sophie Sokolowski- She is always such a friendly face to see in the car circle in the mornings. She is not only setting a good example for students, but she does it with such a great attitude. Keep it up Sophie!

Mackinzie Higginbotham- She is always very responsible to make sure she knows her duties and is fulfilling them the best that she possibly can. Way to go Mackinzie!

Art News

March is Youth Art Month. Celebrate with your family by creating art together.



Congratulations PCE Artists:

3+ Dimensions K-12 Art Exhibit Kileigh Lewis - 5th Grade Chanel Reynolds - 5th Grade Marina Dragic - 5th Grade Angelina Kargapolova - 3rd Grade

Clearwater Arts Alliance Youth Art Month K-8 Art Exhibit

ESOL News

Our Asian Students and our school had a wonderful time celebrating the Asian New Year on Friday, February 16th. We wish all of our families that celebrate a Happy New Year!



We are in the middle of WIDA testing with our ESOL students. We encourage that you help your child to get a good nights rest and eat a good breakfast in the morning.

PE



Our annual Field Day event is quickly approaching! This is a fun event that is put on for the students to celebrate a great school year

so far. The event will hold games such as an obstacle course, a water balloon toss, a leaky pipe race, and more. Field Day will be held on two separate days this year. Thursday March 22nd will be for grade levels Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd. Friday March 23rd, will be for grade levels 3rd, 4th, and 5th. The weather can be very hot and sunny on this day, and the students will be outside for a period of 2 hours and 20 minutes. Please make sure your child puts on some sunscreen and they may bring a water bottle with them as well. We have some mild water stations so towels are allowed, but changing clothes will not be permitted. The excitement is already building with the students and it should be a great day.

Mr. Tuttle

Mr. Brindley

Mr. Wilson

Mrs. King

The list of healthy snacks below are suggested to families that wish to provide classroom snacks or have arranged with their child's teacher to bring in birthday snacks. Reminder—that we do not have birthday parties in class and do not allow cake, cookies or cupcakes. However, if approved by your child's teacher, healthy snacks from the list below may be shared with students.

Fresh fruits and vegetables, canned fruits (in natural or light juices), dried fruit, cereal bars, granola bars, oatmeal bars, yogurt, sugar free gelatin cups, individually wrapped rice krispie treats,

baked chips, baked veggie chips, baked tortilla chips, pretzels, 100% juice boxes or unsweetened fruit juice, raisins, craisins, banana chips, granola, trail mix, nuts or seeds, almonds, sunflower seeds, mini muffins, bagels, English muffins, Low fat cheese, cheese sticks, crackers, goldfish, teddy grahams.



Counselor Corner



Character word for March is <u>Honesty.</u>

Honesty: Using truthful speech and behavior

Dinner Dilemmas

<u>Week 1 Situation</u>: The game is tied in extra innings. Sam's team could win if he can make it to home plate. Sam is tagged before he touches home plate. The umpire calls him safe. Dilemma: On one hand Sam knows if he does not say anything his team wins the title. On the other hand Sam knows he should be honest and tell the truth about being tagged. Discussion: What advice do you have for Sam?

<u>Week 2 Situation</u>: Sue finds a five dollar bill in the hallway at school. Dilemma: On the one hand Sue could give it to the fundraiser to help her school. On the other hand Sue could turn it into the office knowing it probably belongs to someone. Discussion: What is your advice for Sue?

<u>Week 3 Situation</u>: The school principal recognizes a number of students over the intercom for helping in another class. Sue's name is announced even though she did not participate. Dilemma: On the one hand Sue could keep quiet and receive the certificate. On the other hand she knows an honest person would tell the principal she did not earn the recognition. Discussion: What is your advice for Sue?

<u>Week 4 Situation</u>: Sam is with a group of friends after school. They accidentally break a window in the school's greenhouse. Sam's friends beg him to keep quiet. Dilemma: On the one hand it is good to be loyal to friends. On the other hand Sam wants to be honest. Discussion: What advice do you have for Sam?

<u>Kindergarten</u>

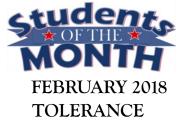
Kaydence Graham – Bodell Pryce Young – Brennan Amaya Velasco – Gantz Julia Duong – Gross Casi'ona Burton – Nault Christian Jenkins – Reitz

First Grade

Cecila Liu — Bohrnsen Bailey Franks – McHale Christian Vivas —Pruden Emileigh Blattenberger — Walko Carolyn Tourtelot – Williams Ethan Feltner — Robinson

Second Grade

Jennavieve Vu – Georgia Kayson Crockett – Herman Emina Brinson – Ristoff Liam Paaga – Thigpen



TOIEPANCE means... appreciating and respecting **differences** in people.



<u>Third Grade</u>

Rebecca Thuai – Gasky Arya Karthikeyan – Hevia Adalae Caruso – McConnell Jael Velasco – Robertson Riley Poole – Sweiss

Fourth Grade

Kiara Rodriguez –Brnada Andre Martinez – Harmon Adrian Martinez-Bada–Hoylman Brianna Bushong – Johnson Alexis Givens – Nichols Gregori Santana – Vickstrom

Fifth Grade

Madison Morrissette – Avolt David Lugo – Hallenbeck Josiah Mensah – Pizzi Annabelle Hagen – Redington Adriana Rafael – Sturz