Dear Parents and Families,

May has arrived and students will soon be out of school for the summer. Please be sure to consider the summer opportunities available for students that will support continued growth over the break. Pinellas County Schools offers a Summer Bridge program that includes project based learning with field trips. The program begins June 5th and runs through July 19th with no classes the 4th of July week. Summer Bridge can provide learning opportunities during the summer for all students. Please don’t let your child miss out on this learning opportunity. If you need assistance in registering your child, please call the school office at 547-7853 between 7:30AM and 4:00PM or complete a registration form and return it to your child’s teacher.

Florida Standards Assessments continue during May with 5th graders taking science on the May 2nd, 4th graders taking ELA on the May 3rd and 4th, and 3rd graders taking Math on May 8th and 9th.

As the end of the year approaches, please know that teachers are still teaching all day every day and students are still learning all day every day. It is important for students to arrive on time and stay for the entire learning day. Continue to discuss the school day with your child, asking them what they learned each day. Begin to make plans for your child to continue to read every day during the summer so they will be ready for the next school year. This could be through Summer Bridge, other camps or as a family activity.

There are some exciting events being planned for end of the year celebrations for students. We will be celebrating our fifth grade students at their graduation ceremony on May 24th. Please check the newsletter calendar or our website to see all the end of the year school activities for students and families.

Please let us know about any concerns that we need to address.

Dr. Cara Walsh,
Principal

Have a great summer Vacation!
Mustang Round Up Announcements & Reminders

Students will be dismissed at 12:35pm on May 24th, the last day of school.

Yearbooks are on their way! There are copies still for sale for $12. Cash or checks only. No online orders are being taken.

Lost & Found
If your child is missing clothing please visit the Lost & Found area located outside of the Cafeteria. All clothing items left on May 24th, the last day of school, will be donated to a charity. Eye glasses and other miscellaneous items can be found in the front office.

No later than May 9, 2018

May 1st Principal’s Appreciation Day
May 7th PTA Board Meeting 6 p.m.
May 9th School Nurse Appreciation Day
May 7th-11th Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week
May 11th Safety Patrol Bowling Trip 10:45-12:30
May 15th, Astro Skate, 6-8 p.m. $6 cash only & McDonald’s Spirit Night 4-9 p.m. Come join us for our last skating party and spirit night for this school year!
May 17th, Spring Chorus Concert 6:00 p.m.
May 18th, Kindergarten Ceremony 9:00 a.m.
May 23rd, VPK Ceremony 9:00 a.m.
May 24th, 5th Grade Ceremony 9 a.m., Last Day of School for students, Report cards Go Home
June 5th-July 19th Summer Bridge 8:30-12:30 Mon.–Thurs.

*There will be no Summer Bridge July 2nd–5th

PCE Families,
As summer approaches and we start to think about the upcoming school year there are a few things that you can do to ensure a smooth transition into the 2018-2019 school year. Your home address needs to be up to date in our computer system. It is important to update your address as it changes so that you do not miss important information mailed to you about school, transportation or your child’s academic progress. This is especially important if your child is a bus rider or in 5th grade.

Not having the correct address can cause a disruption in your student receiving transportation because you will not receive the mailed notification of route and stop information from transportation over the summer. If your student is in 5th grade this year and moving on to 6th grade next year, the address in Focus determines where your student will be attending. If the address is not correct, you child could end up being enrolled at the wrong school.

You can update your address by logging on to the Student Reservation System using your parent portal id and password and change your address. If you don’t have a parent portal id you will need to come to the school with your government issued id and one will be created for you. After you have changed your address using the Student Reservation System, you will need to provide the school with two proofs of residency before the change is finalized.

Regarding End Of The Year Medication Pick Up
The school year ends on May 24, 2018. Pinellas County School policy does not allow us to send medication home with students or store it over the summer. Please arrange to come to school to pick up any unused medication, including inhalers and Epinephrine Devices.

Any unclaimed medications will be disposed of on Thursday May 24th, 2018 by 4:00 p.m. without exception.
Mustang Round-Up Announcements & Recognitions

May 1st is Principal's Appreciation Day. Dr. Walsh & Mrs. Raspitzi, The staff and students would like to “THANK” you both for your hard work and dedication in making PCE a “SUPER “ school!

School Nurse Appreciation Day is May 9, 2018. Thank You nurse Carol Kathke for taking great care of our PCE students and staff!

May 7-11, 2018
Tell our teachers and staff when you see them thanks for being awesome!

Thank you to our volunteers and mentors for all of their work this year! We appreciate all your work to make our school a better place. Please remember to continue to log your volunteer hours. Please contact me if you have any questions.

PTA would like to thank our staff and families for their continued support this year.

We’d like to introduce and congratulate our new PTA Board for the 2018/2019 school year!
President: Jessica Currier
Vice President: Jami Carpenter
Vice President: Honi Pagan
Secretary: Nivek Schilde
Treasurer: Jessica O’Brien
Parent Representative: Kristen Gericke & Trista Velasco
Teacher Representative: TBA

Nominees for the 2017-18 PCE Safety Patrol of the Year
Shawn Jackson
Sydnie Harmon
Sophie Sokolowski
Amari Caro
Skylar Rosengrant
Riley Childs

May 7th-11th is Teacher & Staff Appreciation week! Please join us in celebrating our phenomenal staff in all they do and letting them know we think the world of them. We will be sending home some ways to celebrate but remember, homemade thank you cards, letters and pictures are always appreciated 😊 For information on your teacher and staff member’s favorite things please visit the PTA Facebook page. We have special events planned all week for our staff members!

Come join us May 9th at our World Market Vendor Party from 2:30-4:00pm in the FMA. It’s a perfect place to get all your teachers their favorite things for Teacher Appreciation Week or come shop for yourself...lots of great deals!!!

Safety Patrols of the Month
Thank you to our 5th grade patrols who did a great job of training our 4th graders for next year! To all of our safety patrols, thank you for making our school a safe place to learn.
Lexie Chaseng Sydnie Harmon
Skylar Rosengrant Mackenzie Higginbotham
Sophie Sokolowski Shawn Jackson
Zy’mera Davis Selma Adulovic
Khuyen Tran Kaylen Padavong
Ariana Wertz Kimora Armstrong
Adriana Rafael Angelica Carlos-Zacarias
Jada Falconer Jessica Jones
Thank you to our community partners for your donations and support of our school this year. We look forward to working with you next year!
**Kindergarten**
Sofiia Hlushchenko - Bodell
Maria Pozar - Brennan
Ilhana Gnanibegovic - Gantz
Jesua Castillo-Rodriguez - Gross
Cha’Nilah Vicks - Nault
Emmanuel Jones - Reitz

**First Grade**
Lincoln Colby-Rasawich - Bohrnsen
Kaijanai Simmons - McHale
Angel Colon - Pruden
Steven Michael - Robinson
Yarelis Garcia - Walko
Farah Fathima - Williams
Donnie Morelli - Wylie

**Second Grade**
Malachi Davis - Georgia
Kaos Kongkeosouvanna - Herman
Brayden Worthington - Ristoff
Kate Huynh - Thigpen

**Third Grade**
Sandy Bell - Gasky
Aubrey Nguyen - Hevia
Hayden Burdette - McConnell
Larry Christian - Robertson
Ava Arroyave - Sweiss
Gabriela Ortiz-Melo - Quinn

**Fourth Grade**
Xuan Lien - Brnada
Ciara Furcal - Harmon
Maji Faircloth - Hoylman
Caleb Mehlenbacher - Johnson
Kaleb Blacksher - Nichols

**Fifth Grade**
Madison Morrissette - Avolt
Arialy Cruz - Hallenbeck
Marina Dragic - Pizzi
Kileigh Lewis - Redington
Selma Adulovic - Sturz
Dazon Summers - Vickstrom

**CONGRATULATIONS!**
Tiffany Ly Siev—My 4th grade teachers (Ms. Hoylman and Mrs. Avolt) were the most relatable teachers. They are also very chill and has a great sense of humor. If you have Ms. Hoylman in 4th grade or Ms. Avolt in the 5th grade know, just know you are in good hands.

Alyssa Gillespie—My favorite teacher is Ms. Nichols because when I would be stuck on something she would help me and I would understand what she had helped me with.

Sydnie Harmon—A very fun event that the 5th graders did was going to Enterprise Village. I loved that me and my class mates got to work together to do our job. It was the best field trip of my fifth grade year.

Laila K.—The people who have made my experience here at PCE are Mrs. Redington and Mrs. Pizzi because throughout the school year they have been very helpful teachers. For example, if I tell them about a situation then they will help me solve it, or if I need help with my work they will help me.

Lexie Chaseng—Mrs. Rosen helped me make my experience because she’s always there to give us advice when we need it or she always there to help solve any problem we have at Pinellas Central Elementary.

Kileigh Lewis—Mrs. Redington is a great inspiration. She always believes in you for anything your doing. She never doubts you unless she knows that you could do something and you don’t do it.

Amari Caro—Mrs. Rosen was always respectful and never disrespectful. The smile on her face always made my day. And her white hair is beautiful. And when I go to middle school I will never forget her never in my life because I follow her by making good choices.

Maricela Hernandez—Ms. Rosen because she has helped me with every thing and solves my family problems. She listens to my problem like when I was having a bad day because 2 days before my mom died when I was 7 years old and I just have problems and she will always be in my heart. Ms. Rosen Thank you for being in Pinellas Central Elementary I would of done nothing to solve my problems. Thanks you for being here for me.

Nelly Sadiki—Mrs. Pizzi my math teacher helps me through a lot when I didn’t know something she would help me with that math problem. She is also very kind and caring. This is a teacher I won’t forget about.

Steven—When Ms. Henry (substitute) come in the room she was fantastic. She was really nice. I would rank her a 9 out of 10.

Jeremiah Alvarez—I chose Mrs. Pizzi because through the struggle of moving and going through fights and disagreements she has supported me in all. Thank you Mrs. Pizzi ❤️

Annika Marie—I choose Mrs. Pizzi because she help me in math.

Shealeigh McCann—The best experience I ever had was getting my patrol belt and becoming one, but to me it was a little scary until I got picked. Than you Ms. Herdman, you rock.

Riley—My favorite staff member is Mr. Jerry. Although he retired I decided to right about him. Every day after school and post I would go to the OT and PT room were we would do our hand shake. We did this a lot and we had s much fun. I wish he didn’t retire so we could have more fun.

Melina Palumbo—The event that helped me make my experience at PCE one to remember is Apex. I say Apex because it will make me remember that I can do many things.

Zebedi Apudo—Mrs. Pizzi helped my experience at Pinellas Central. She is a really great math teacher/science teacher. She would help me on stuff if I was stuck too.
Seaniah—Mrs. Pizzi is my favorite teacher because when I’m sad or upset she helps me when I’m down and when I don’t understand my school work she is always there to help.

Dominyk C.—Ms. Pizzi is my favorite teacher because she is helpful. When were stressed about math she cheers us up. When were happy she keeps us that way. Ms. Pizza is the best teacher.

Isabella Ruff—Mrs. Rosen because she has always faced my biggest fears and worries, she is funny and when I explain what's going on she nods a lot so I know she's listening.

Sophie Sokolowski—What I love about this year is be able to hang out with all my friends. I also love being able to have 2 awesome teachers (Mrs. Pizzi and Mrs. Redington) I also love all the teachers who taught me this year, Thank you.

Yadira—My favorite teachers are the Esol teachers because I have been with hem since I was in first grade. Esol helped me so much all though 5th grade and are so kind to me.

Kylin—My favorite teacher is Ms. Hoylman because of her sense of humor and the fact that she won’t scold you unless you make her real angry.

Alexander Gericke—My favorite teacher is Mrs. Pizzi my favorite staff member is Mr. Patt. Mrs. Pizzi is my favorite teacher because she's kind and she's kind while she's teaching and we do a lot of fun stuff with her. Mr. Patt is my favorite staff member because he is awesome and kind and cool.

Miyoko O’Neal—Is when Jeramia slipped on the hall and fell or when we had the winter party. Most importantly when I met everyone in 5th grade.

Josiah Mensah—What helped me make my experience at this school was my teachers. My homeroom teacher strived to make learning fun so I would be able to learn. My teachers also disciplined me so I would be able to get my work to assure a good future for myself. If it weren’t for my teachers I wouldn’t be working like this.

Mackinzie Higginbotham—My 3rd grade teacher Mrs. Hinch helped make my experience one to remember because she was always there for me when I was upset. She also made a joke for me sot hat I would be happy.

Marina Dragic—A person that was in my 4th grade class helped make my experience better because she turned out to be my best friend. We would always hang out together and whenever one friend would feel sad, the other one would cheer them up. She is the best friend I have ever had, and she helped me have a better experience at PCE.

Alexis—I like Miss Vistrom because she is nice and helps me. She is a great teacher and I will miss my teacher. I like Miss. Jo because she is nice and help class mated. She is a great teacher. I will miss my teacher I like Mr. Sturz because she is nice to me and I can here her be that nice to her and I will miss her so much and she is the best.