

# Sunset Hills Elementary

## April Newsletter

### Important Dates

### Message from Administration

As the school year is nearing the end, we want to share our progress. If you were unable to attend the State of the School Meeting, here is a direct link to the online presentation that was shared.

<https://prezi.com/view/YXTTuaRPVSB3DhjDizyP/>

Also, be sure to check out our website for important information and resources <https://www.pcsb.org/sunsethills-es>

Register your kindergartners now for the 18/19 school year!



Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> – Easter

Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Return to school  
(all staff and students)

Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> - General Meeting/SAC Combined

Thursday, April 5 - Astro Skate Party  
3pm-5pm

Wednesday, April 11 - TBD Dads' Event

Tuesday, April 27<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> grade field trip to Old McMickeys.



Thank you for attending Dr. Seuss Ice Cream Social March 1<sup>st</sup> and PTA General Meeting.

The sundaes were fantastic and full of all your favorite toppings, and the company was fabulous.

**We have a few upcoming events:**

- April 4th- General Meeting and SAC blended meeting 6PM

**\*Nomination Committee creation\***

- April 5<sup>th</sup> 3-5PM Astro Skate Party!
- April 11<sup>th</sup> TBD Dad's event



**Our Book Works Book Drive was a success. Goodwill was happy to pick up and repurpose all of the donated books to families and schools who need them. If you cleaned out some oldies and made more space for new reading material, kudos to you!**

**FSA testing has begun for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Be sure your kids get to school on time and with the opportunity to eat a good breakfast. You can feed them at home, or they can breakfast in the cafeteria! To make sure your kids have extra support the PTA gives each child a mint for memory, a water bottle and a snack. Hungry tummies don't concentrate very well, so we are happy to support your students this way.**

**Thank you to all the families who participate, and support our PTA. Your enthusiasm allows us to advocate for stronger schools, better education and a growing community. If you are not yet a member, you can still join by grabbing a membership envelope in the office and paying \$5.00. Nothing else is required of you. There are no required volunteer hours or required meetings. To be a member simply means that you are part of a national not for profit group that advocates on a local level for children and families all over the US.**

# April Student Celebrations

Rich Smith



## Sunset Hills Elementary Attendance

February Attendance = 82% of all students have attended 90% of the school year.

- Our Goal = 90% of all students attend 90% of the school year.
- Stingrays, we need to improve our school-wide attendance by 8% in order to reach goal.

The S.H.E. Child Study Team's "Biking towards perfect attendance" initiative was a lot of fun. In total, we had 103 students who had perfect attendance from Feb. 20-March 20. Additionally, we had 86 students who had "almost" perfect attendance (1 excused absence, 1 excused tardy or 1 excused early release).

Congratulations to the winner of a new bike, Carlie Major in Dr. George's class!

Thanks so much for supporting the "Biking towards perfect attendance" initiative!

### **Sunset Hills Elementary is Committed 2 Character Education:**

*"I pledge myself to C2C, respect and responsibility. Honesty and motivation, too, I'll use these traits in all I do!"*

### **Congratulations to our February C2C students of the Month for Tolerance:**

Miles Jaeger	Dominic Ciccarello
Joey Contarino	George Pastrikos
Sophia Kotary	Natalie Caruso
Kimberly Zimmermann	Gavin Netherly
Maxwell Fox Andrews	Ava Perry
Alexandra Maglis	Lena Dancy
Daisy Harvey	Logan Theodore
Libby Harger	David Spirou
Theo Hatzileris	Samantha Caldwell
Jordyn DeRubbo	Zaria McKinney
Efymia Mougros	Andres Rodriguez
Landon Gardner	Brody Brueing
Cullin Stillman	Demetri Tsesmelis
Lianna Crossley-Ward	Spencer Thomas
Andrew Ayestas	Dominic Ciccarello

Our C2C trait for April is **Self-Control**:

Managing your emotions and choosing acceptable behavior.



**Self-Control**



**Dinner Dilemmas** To create family discussions that promotes Character Education.

<b>Dinner Dilemmas</b> To create family discussions that promotes Character Education in Pinellas County.		
<b>April</b>  <b>Self-Control</b>  <b>Managing your emotions and choosing acceptable behavior.</b>	Week 1  Situation: Sam and his brother are home alone. His parents have a strict rule about no snacks before dinner. Dilemma: On the one hand Sam can give into his temptation and raid the cookie jar. On the other hand Sam knows he should show self-control and wait until after dinner. Discussion: What advice do you have for Sam?	Week 2  Situation: Sam is playing ball with his friend. The ball accidentally hits Sam hard. It hurts, begins to swell, and is turning red. Dilemma: On one hand Sam is very angry and wants to throw the ball back at him to show his friend it hurts. On the other hand Sam knows he should show self-control and calm down. Discussion: What advice do you have for Sam?
	Week 3  Situation: Sue's best friend becomes friends with a new student. Sue is jealous and worries about losing her best friend. Dilemma: On the one hand Sue wants to tell her friend not to sit with the new student at lunch. On the other hand Sue knows she should show self-control and talk about her feelings. Discussion: What is your advice for Sue?	Week 4  Situation: The students in Sue's class are loud and noisy. The teacher is trying to get their attention. Dilemma: On one hand Sue wants to finish her conversation with her friends. On the other hand Sue knows to show self-control she needs to stop talking. Discussion: What is your advice for Sue?

The C2C trait in May will be **Caring**: Being kind, friendly, considerate and willing to listen, give and share.

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# AFTER SCHOOL



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

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A newsletter for the families and students of Sunset Hills Elementary School



## THIS MONTH:

- ★ Autism Awareness Month
- ★ Healthy Kids Day  
April 21st, 2018  
@Greater Palm Harbor  
Branch
- ★ Summer Camp Registration  
Open

## Happenings...

For our community service project we will be participating in the Crayola ColorCycle program. We will be collecting used markers. We will then package them and send them to Crayola to recycle. Please bring any used markers from home for our project.

Healthy Kids Day will be held April 21st, 2018 from 10am - 1pm at our Greater Palm Harbor Branch. Many fun activities are planned for you and your children to enjoy. Please plan on attending this great event.

## Hot Topic...

Summer camp registration has begun. Packets are available at the sign in/out table. We encourage you to register online.

If your child will be attending Summer Bridge please be sure your register your child on the school county website. Bridge packets are available at Tarpon Springs Elementary or our Administration Office. I will be glad to pick up packets for you if you are unable to go to any of these locations. Please see the Director if you have any questions.

Please be sure to check lost and found for any items your child may be missing. It is located behind the sign in/out table. The school lost and found is on the stage.

We have been taking pictures of the many activities your children do at the Y. Please be sure to check out our facebook page.

## IMPORTANT

We are a licensed program and cannot go before the hours of 6:30am or after 6pm. Please be sure to drop off and/or pick up your child during these times. A late fee will be applied:- \$10/child each 15 minutes or a portion thereof

