

# SKYVIEW ELEMENTARY



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## Eagles read at least 30 minutes EVERY night! December 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians of our Skyview Eagle Students,

It's beginning to look a lot like Holiday Season at Skyview. Lots of teaching and learning with fun Holiday activities are in store for your Eagle student. To name a few school-wide Holiday activities:

Door Decorating

Holidays Around the World

Daily Holiday Spirit Week

We need your Eagle at school every day (logged in for our virtual Eagles) and on time for the three weeks before Winter Break. These are very important learning weeks for your Eagle. Winter Holidays are December 19-January 3, 2021 with students returning on Monday, January 4, 2021. Our first semester ends January 15, 2021. There will be Winter Holiday Learning for all students. Please look for Winter Holiday Learning in your child's agenda or take-home folder and as always, all Eagles have homework every day. All Eagles read for at least 30 minutes or more every day 365 days a year!

This year the Winter Holidays are challenging for all our Eagle staff, students and families. I encourage you to have Hope. Be watchful and on the look out for love, joy and peace. If we expect to find love, joy, peace and have hope for our expectations to become true, then we will discover them in others and in ourselves too!

On behalf of our Eagle Team Staff, we wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy Winter Holidays.

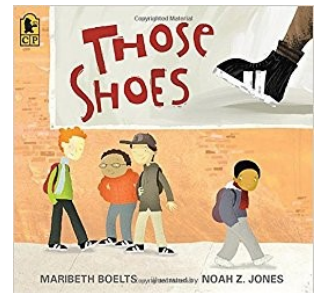
Love wins,  
Suzanne Hester



### Character Word

#### Grateful

“Heartfelt appreciation.”



### Eagle Family Outreach:

Dec 2 - 2:30-6:00pm Fundraiser Pick-Up at Eagle Lounge door

Dec 14-19 Holidays Around the World:  
Monday - Wear Festive Socks  
Tuesday - Wear Holiday Colors  
Wednesday - Wear a Fun Sweater  
Thursday - Wear a Holiday Shirt  
Friday - Wear Festive Fun

Dec 19 - Jan 3 - Winter Holidays

Jan 7 - School Resumes



## Quality Core Instruction:

With the winter break around the corner, now is a great time to encourage your children to get in some extra reading. I've come upon a few really practical tips for parents to help students read at home. Here are five excellent ways that you can help your child embrace this opportunity over the holidays..

- Shop the bargain bins at bookstores, which is a great way to save on bringing new books into your home.
- Have children read the books which go along with a favorite movie, such as Bridge to Terabithia.
- Watch movies or TV shows with the subtitles switched on.
- Encourage your child to re-read favorite books and poems. Re-reading helps kids read more quickly and accurately. Help your child to correct his own reading errors through re-reading and asking guided questions.

We are looking forward to an exciting new year and count it an honor to serve your students in their pursuit of learning! Be safe and enjoy the time with your family.

Happy Holidays, Mr. Bradwell, School Librarian

### SPOTLIGHT ON EQUITY



A new book recommendation: **Sulwe** written by Lupita Nyong'o, a Kenyan-Mexican actress (illustrated by Vashti Harrison). **Sulwe** could make our students think twice about how they treat their classmates. Hopefully it will help them so see how other people in society may feel about themselves and might need a little more support than others. The same holds true when it comes to equity in education, some students need more support than others in order to be fair and give them the same opportunity to achieve success as others. That support might be through certain books, technology, tutoring, or even extra lessons in character education. Teachers and parents "...play an essential role in helping young people develop socially, emotionally, physically, and academically." Find a good book that will help set you on this path! *Happy Holidays from Mrs. Morris!*

## Family Outreach:

**Still time to join PTA - only \$5, helps to support your child's learning:**

Membership to PTA is **only \$5**. It is not too late to join! We have envelopes in the front office or put a note in your child's agenda to request one.

**PTA has Eagle Flag Pins for sale. Please inquire at front office...\$3.00 an Eagle Flag Pin...Great stocking stuffers for your entire Eagle family!**

### 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Lane Market Place – 2020 Drive-Thru Event!

Opens on December 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 4pm

\*Family Night is December 16<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-7:30pm with a visit from Santa!

Location: PEMHS Palm Way Campus - 1614 Palm Way, Largo FL 33771

Online Registration is open until December 4<sup>th</sup> at: <http://pemhs.org/holiday-lane-2020/>

*Holiday Lane Market Place will be available to all families in need, who are NOT already enrolled in a holiday giving program. Staff will shop for registered participants who will receive an email confirmation with pickup instructions. Any questions please contact a System Navigator or PEMHS Family Services Initiative at 727.303.1903 or 727.239.3961*

### **ESE Parent Webinars**

FDLRS has designed free monthly webinars for all parents/families with children with disabilities or those with unique learning needs. The 90-minute webinars are held from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM EST on one Friday each month and all sessions are recorded for access after the webinar as well. Registration for all webinars is located at: <http://www.fdlrs.org/free-parent-webinars-friday-fdlrs>. Please register at least 2 weeks prior to the event. You may register for one or all of the webinars at your earliest convenience. The upcoming webinars are:

December 18<sup>th</sup> – Social Skills: Teaching Replacement Behaviors    January 15<sup>th</sup> – Components of a Quality IEP    February 19<sup>th</sup> – Transition for Secondary

## Eagles Earning Excellence:

**Attend Today: Achieve Today!** Daily attendance is so important. Please report your child's absence: Go to - <https://www.pcsb.org/skyview-es> The parent clicks on the Report Student Absence icon.