



Seminole Elementary Times

September/October 2018

Issue 2

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Dates to Remember

October

- 1st
 - K-Kids 2:45pm
- 3rd
 - F/T 4th & 5th Grade Florida Orchestra
- 5th
 - PTA Fundraiser Due
- 8th
 - STEP 5th grade 12:40pm
- 9th
 - SAC 6:00pm
- 11th
 - STEP 4th Grade 12:15pm
 - PMAC 2:45pm
- 12th
 - End of Grading Period
 - Girlfriends Induction 9:00am
- 15th
 - Pro Ed. Day NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
- 18th
 - F/T Gifted Marine Quest
- 22nd
 - iMoms 7:30 Centennial
 - STEP 5th Grade 12:40pm
- 24th
 - Character Assembly 8:40 PE Court
- 25th
 - F/T SPIFFS Multicultural
 - PMAC 2:45pm
 - STEPS 4th Grade 12:15
- 26th
 - Report Cards Go Home
 - PDQ Spirit Night 3pm-7pm
- 10/29 -11/2
 - Red Ribbon Week
- 31st
 - Kindergarten Parade

The Next PTA General Meeting will be 11/13



School Hours 8:45am-2:45pm

- Students cannot be dropped off before 8:15 in the morning.
- Students need to be seated in their classroom by 8:45 am.

A Note from Principal Grasso



Dear Seminole Families;

The first round of student assessments have been completed and conferences and PMP meetings are being scheduled; if you have any concerns please reach out to your teacher and schedule a time to meet.

The before/after school programs for tutoring/clubs and enrichment have begun. There are seats available for some of the programs, please check with your teacher to find out about enrolling your child. Priority is for 3rd-5th graders needing remediation.

In the month of October many more exciting things to come: after-school STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) begins, the 1st - 5th graders continue with instruction in the Science Lab, the PTA annual Fund Raiser began, and Red Ribbon (Stay Drug Free) Week is also this month. Please reference the up-coming dates section of this newsletter, look for flyers and listen for Connect-ED phone calls regarding all school events.

So much is getting accomplished! My gratitude and thanks to all!

Fondly,

Mrs. Grasso

Welcome New Staff Members to Seminole Elementary



Coach Deering
PE Coach



Ms. Beck
Cafeteria Manager

Rotary Students of the Month



Congratulations to Victoria Barrett, Madison Dunn, and Anthony Wright who received Rotary Student of the Month for September. Students were able to attend a luncheon with the principal, they received a trophy, free item at Jet's Pizza, and a \$25 iTunes gift card.

PTA Reflections



CALLING ALL ARTISTS! The Reflections Art Program is an amazing opportunity for our students to share their original artwork in film/video, photography, literature, visual arts, dance choreography, and music composition! The theme for this year's submission is, "Heroes Around Me" and are due by October 19th. Entrants will have a chance to compete from local to national levels for awards and special recognition. We cannot wait to see your masterpieces! For more information including submission guidelines and entry forms, please visit the Seminole Elementary PTA Facebook page, or email SeminoleElemReflections@gmail.com.

No Halloween Costumes at School

In an effort to maintain the educational integrity and minimal distractions in the classroom setting, 1st – 5th grade students are not permitted to wear costumes to school. Halloween costumes may only be worn by Kindergarteners during the Character Costume Parade. Kindergarteners will need to have a change of clothes to change into after the parade.

Character Kids – September



KG			3rd		
Conde	Cecily Yaslik	Madison Sawyer	Barto	Makayla Slicker	Joseph Plankey
Davis	Layla Eversole	Justin Chen	Carlson	Kassy Bayes	Easton Flock
Horton	Adelynn Reed	Colton Taylor	Kopkau	Pablo Gonzalez	Jonathan Riser
Schuler	Mateo Santiago	Jacob Del Rio	Poolson	Kaydin Whitenon	Landen Whiteley
			Rudolph	Jerry Brummette	Chloe Tyner
1st			Santiago	Harrison Clark	Cornelius Rayner
Dupre	Lylah Sanchez	Oliver Stiles	4th		
Fellows/Hendrix	Joanna Johnson	Joziah Quinones	Arnold	Ryan Abbott	Kelsi Nyberg
Flock	Stevie Narleski	Dominic Diaz	Crose	Andrew Topel	Aimee Nkomeje
Gamble	Kamdyn Hines	Owen Amerine	Leonard	Austin Longboat	Sena Kyra Santiago
Guglielmo	Neil Jaeger		Swartz	Eli Spearl	Jacob Ray
			Taylor	Madelyn Smith	Erik Abbott
2nd			5th		
Blanchet	Hadley Nguyen	Chase Pacocha	Ellis	Sara Henkel	Collin Simpson
Luczaj	Dontaye Howard	Jusepe Brown	Gorman	Aleksandra Urbanowicz	Jaden Edwards
Mucerino	Arian Yaslik	Varro Santiago	Grimm	Carter Hasty	Kelli Kelesyan
Patterson	Lailah Johnson	Amari Longworth	Lentz	Aryanna Badillo	Brooklyn Butler
Rongey	Graham Kropp	Bailey Ashbrook	Sadock	Jackie Kemper	Irish Gildner
			Halpern	Donnie Reams	

Dinner Dilemmas

October's Word of the Month is Cooperation: Getting along with others and working together.

Dinner Dilemmas are designed to go home once a month with the students for family discussion.

Week 1

Situation: One evening Sam's dad says he will take the family out for ice cream after the kid's clean-up the kitchen. The ice cream shop closes in 20 minutes. Sam's brother was not helping.

Dilemma: On one hand Sam knew he could do both jobs. On the other hand, Sam felt his brother should cooperate to help get the task completed as quickly as possible.

Discussion: What advice do you have for Sam?

Week 2

Situation: Sue and Sam arrived at the kickball field at the same time. Both volunteer to be the pitcher.

Dilemma: On one hand they knew only one of them could be the pitcher. On the other hand, neither one wanted to play another position.

Discussion: How could they cooperate to solve this situation?

Week 3

Situation: Sam and his best friend are writing a play to be performed by their club. They disagreed as to the ending of the story.

Dilemma: On one hand Sam thinks his ending is better than his friend's. On the other hand Sam wants to cooperate with his friend.

Discussion: What advice do you have for Sam and his friend?

Week 4

Situation: Working in a cooperative group, each person had a specific job to do. One member of the group was not contributing to the group's goal.

Dilemma: On one hand they could attempt to solve the situation within the group. On the other hand they could report to the teacher that one person was not cooperating.

Discussion: What advice do you have for the group?

Guidance Corner



Hi Families and Students,

In September, we have been focusing on Responsibility as our character trait. As we know, our children change and grow and can handle more and different responsibilities as they get older. However, let's not forget that we can start at a very young age teaching them to pick up things and put them away, take care of pets, keep their room clean, do their homework, and help at home and at school. We can talk with them about following directions and expectations of teachers, parents, and other adults. They can be shown how to keep track of things that they need to do (chores, homework, etc.). They can learn to take pride in things that they did themselves (especially when they do them without being asked). During the month of October, we will be concentrating on Cooperation. We will also celebrate Red Ribbon Week during the last week of the month. This will be a time when we talk about staying drug and alcohol free. Also looking ahead, I know many families are in need of help during the holidays (food, toys, & clothing). Many organizations that offer assistance begin asking early. So, if you are interested in being considered for help for this year, please let me know.

Mrs. Holly Schultz, School Counselor



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT COURSES

Parenting Skills for Academic and Social Achievement

This session will offer insight to your child's attraction to social media and gaming. Participants will understand the importance of parental knowledge of these technologies and how they affect self-esteem, and focus. Learn ways to set boundaries and expectations.

Pathways to Middle School Acceleration

Parents and guardians will gain insight into options for middle school students who are interested in Advanced Courses.

When September 27, 2018
Where Campbell Park Elementary
 1051 7th Avenue South
 St. Petersburg, FL 33705

Time 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Register <https://tinyurl.com/PCSFallParentAcademy>

Simple Starts to Growing Young Readers

Help your beginning reader have fun with words! This workshop will offer simple starting points and activities you can do at home with your child to enhance reading, word knowledge skills and keep your child excited about learning! Join us for simple steps and resources to set the stage for successful reading experiences!

When October 8, 2018

Where Webinar

Time 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Register <https://tinyurl.com/PCSFallParentAcademy>

Pathways to Middle School Acceleration

Parents and guardians will gain insight into options for middle school students who are interested in Advanced Courses.

When October 11, 2018

Where Webinar

Time 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Register <https://tinyurl.com/PCSFallParentAcademy>

Take Stock in Your Bright Future

When students and parents think about college and continuing education after high school, one major concern is how to pay for it. During this session, we will focus on two major scholarship programs in Florida- Bright Futures and Take Stock in Children. We will provide an overview of the eligibility requirements and process for both programs.

When October 16, 2018

Where Webinar

Time 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Register <https://tinyurl.com/PCSFallParentAcademy>

PARENT ADVOCACY

Helping Parents Understand the IEP Process

Participants will receive information on the Exceptional Student Education (ESE) processes to include, interventions and requirements, the Federal Special Education Law, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Evaluation Processes, and Individual Educational Plan (IEP) Development.

When October 1, 2018

Where Webinar

Time 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Register <https://tinyurl.com/PCSFallParentAcademy>

Bullying and Harassment- What Parents Need to Know!

Parents will receive valuable information on what bullying and harassment is and the differences between teasing, conflict and bullying. Tips will be discussed as to how to recognize and respond to bullying as well as prevention and intervention techniques. Characteristics of the child who is victimized and the child displaying bullying behaviors will be discussed and how families can work with the school to ensure safety for their child. Parents will have the opportunity to ask questions and receive answers.

When October 4, 2018

Where Webinar

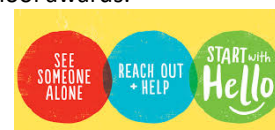
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Start with Hello is a program by Sandy Hook Promise we have begun to initiate on our school campus. Start with Hello enables students to make a difference with their peers in a simple, fun, and impactful way by encouraging them to take small but powerful actions to promote connectedness and inclusion, and to identify and help others who are showing signs of social isolation.

Social isolation is the overwhelming feeling of being left out, lonely or treated like you are invisible. Young people who feel this way may pull away from society, struggle with learning and social development, or choose to hurt themselves or others

Start with Hello brings attention to the growing epidemic of social isolation and empowers young people to create a culture of inclusion and connectedness within their school, youth organization and community, by raising awareness and educating students and the community through activities, public proclamations, media events, student contests, and school awards.



PE Shorts



We would like to welcome Coach Deering to Seminole Elementary. She likes to be called Coach D. Coach D graduated from the University of Western Michigan. She is from Northport, Michigan. This is her 14th year teaching. She taught 11 years in Naples, FL, 1 year in Denver, CO and 1 year in Brandon, FL. She is very excited to join the amazing Seminole Elementary staff, and we are fortunate to have her!

Having Trouble Logging Onto iStation at Home???



Many families use many of our online resources at home through Clever. iStation is one of our amazing programs students can utilize from school or home to assist in Reading and now Math. iStation can be accessed from Clever. HOWEVER, iStation first requires an install on to your home computer. If you previously installed, please know that there was an update during the summer.

Here are a few tips to help you if you are having trouble logging in from home.

Here are some suggestions:

1. Turn off and restart your computer. Many times, the program could just need a reboot.
2. If that doesn't work, remove the installed iStation program from your computer and then reinstall the latest version from the website to see if that fixes things. <https://www.istation.com/Support>
3. The third suggestion would be to reach out to iStation's help line directly to see if they can provide further problem-solving solutions. Their contact information is 1-866-883-READ (7323) or email support@iStation.com

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Maple Pancake Minis <u>Choose One:</u> Cheeseburger or Hamburger Chicken & Broccoli Penne Alfredo <i>w/ Breadstick</i> Fruit & Yogurt Plate Bologna & Cheese Sandwich <u>Choose:</u> Sliced Carrots Fresh Veggie Dippers	2 Breakfast Sandwich (Egg/Ham/Cheese)	3 Chicken Biscuit <u>Choose One:</u> Chicken Tender Basket <i>w/ Oven Crinkle Fries</i> Macaroni & Cheese Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Ham & Cheese Croissant <u>Choose:</u> Sliced Cucumbers Spinach or Collard Greens	4 Sunshine Omelet Wrap <u>Choose One:</u> Beef or Pork Tacos Max Cheese Sticks Chef Salad Chicken Caesar Wrap Marinara Cup <u>Choose:</u> Refried Fiesta Beans Leafy Green Side Salad	5 Apple Cinnamon Texas Toast <u>Choose One:</u> Pizza Variety Teriyaki Chicken Bowl Chicken Caesar Salad Turkey & Cheese Ciabatta Sandwich <u>Choose:</u> Green Beans Fresh Veggie Dippers
8 Pancake Pup <u>Choose One:</u> Chicken & Waffle Cheesy Bread Fruit & Yogurt Plate Bologna & Cheese Sandwich <u>Choose:</u> Sweet Peas * Marinara Cup Fresh Veggie Dippers*Beans	9 Scrambled Egg, Bacon & Biscuit <u>Choose One:</u> <u>Featured Item:</u> Soft Chicken Tacos Corn Dog Farmer's Salad or Apple-a-Day Salad Jamwich Kit <u>Choose:</u> Country Baked Beans Romaine Side Sala	10 Glazed Dunker <u>Choose One:</u> Chicken Drumstick w/ Hush Puppy Pasta & Meatballs Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Ham & Cheese Croissant <u>Choose:</u> Steamed Broccoli Florets Sliced Cucumbers	11 Bacon, Egg & Cheese Pizza <u>Choose One:</u> Beef Rib B Q Sandwich Cheese Stick & Toasted Ravioli Boat Chef Salad Chicken Caesar Wrap Marinara Cup <u>Choose:</u> Sweet Potato Waffle Fries Fresh From Florida Citrus Salad	12 Breakfast Chicken Nibbler <u>Choose One:</u> Pizza Variety Wild Alaskan Ocean Treasure Fish Nuggets w/ Roll Chicken Caesar Salad Turkey & Cheese Ciabatta Sandwich <u>Choose:</u> Mashed Potatoes Fresh Veggie Dippers
15 <i>National</i> No School For Students	16 <i>School</i> Egg, & Cheese Croissant <u>Choose One:</u> <u>Featured Item:</u> Chicken Sandwich Grilled Cheese Farmer's Salad or Apple-a-Day Salad Jamwich Kit <u>Choose:</u> Tomato Soup Romaine Side Salad	17 <i>Lunch</i> Cinnamon Roll <u>Choose One:</u> Teriyaki Beef Dippers <i>w/ Rice or Lo Mein</i> Chicken Nuggets w/ Dip Cup Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Ham & Cheese Croissant <u>Choose:</u> Sliced Cucumbers Steamed Broccoli Florets	18 <i>Week</i> Sausage Biscuit or Sausage & Grits <u>Choose One:</u> Breakfast for Lunch Mini Calzones Chef Salad Chicken Caesar Wrap <u>Choose:</u> Marinara Cup* Emoticon Taters Fresh From Florida Citrus Salad #Hot2Love Heart Cookie	19 <i>#Hot2Love</i> Breakfast Bowl (Cheesy Eggs & Tots) <u>Choose One:</u> Pizza Variety Cheesy Fish Filet or Spicy Fish Filet Sandwich Chicken Caesar Salad Turkey & Cheese Ciabatta Sandwich <u>Choose:</u> Corn Niblets Fresh Veggie Dippers
22 Maple Pancake Minis <u>Choose One:</u> Cheeseburger or Hamburger Chicken & Broccoli Penne Alfredo <i>w/ Breadstick</i> Fruit & Yogurt Plate Bologna & Cheese Sandwich <u>Choose:</u> Sliced Carrots Fresh Veggie Dippers	23 Breakfast Sandwich (Egg/Ham/Cheese)	24 Chicken Biscuit <u>Choose One:</u> Chicken Tender Basket <i>w/ Oven Crinkle Fries</i> Macaroni & Cheese Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Ham & Cheese Croissant <u>Choose:</u> Sliced Cucumbers Spinach or Collard Greens	25 Sunshine Omelet Wrap <u>Choose One:</u> Beef or Pork Tacos Max Cheese Sticks Chef Salad Chicken Caesar Wrap Marinara Cup <u>Choose:</u> Refried Fiesta Beans Leafy Green Side Salad	26 Apple Cinnamon Texas Toast <u>Choose One:</u> Pizza Variety Teriyaki Chicken Bowl Chicken Caesar Salad Turkey & Cheese Ciabatta Sandwich <u>Choose:</u> Green Beans Fresh Veggie Dippers
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Applying for Free and Reduced Lunch

Student lunches cost \$2 this year. If you would like to apply for free or reduced lunch, applications can be filled out online at <https://www.myschoolapps.com/>

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Web Site:
www.pcsb.org/seminole-es

Nanette Grasso Principal
Sharon Wilson Assistant Principal

Robert Poth Area III Superintendent,
(727)588-5020



Garden Help



We have a wonderful school garden located near the car circle and portables. This year we will be asking for assistance in maintaining our garden area when the weather is cooler. For more information, or if you would like to assist with our garden, please e-mail Mrs. Mucirino: mucirinoc@pcsb.org.

Thank You for Supporting Our School Business Partnerships and Sponsors

We would like to thank our business partners for all their generous back to school donations:

- Seminole First Baptist Church**
- Seminole Garden Florist**
- Balls Outlet**
- Straighten Up Orthodontics**
- First Home Bank**
- The Addison on Long Bayou**
- Oakhurst United Methodist Church**

News from the Kid's Café



Snack will start being sold starting September 3rd snacks will range in price from \$.50-1.00

- Ice cream will only be sold on TUESDAYS and WEDNESDAYS
 - Snacks and crackers and chips will be sold on THURSDAYS and FRIDAYS
 - NO SNACK WILL BE SOLD MONDAYS
- Water is also sold to student upon request

Thank You From Mrs. Ellis's 5th Graders



Thank you to SinglePoint Consulting LLC and Burton Electric of Seminole for adopting Mrs. Ellis' fifth grade class! With your generous adoptions, our class is now equipped with various different chapter book sets, a subscription to FloCubulary, and our very own Amazon Echo! We truly can't thank you enough.