



EAGLE'S EYE



SKYCREST ELEMENTARY NEWS

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Mission

"Inspiring Greatness through Academics, Culture, and Leadership"

A Message from Administration

Hello Skycrest Families,

Fall is here! November is a time of reflection and thankfulness, and we have much to be thankful for here at Skycrest Elementary. As we enter the month of November, I want to take a moment to express my gratitude for your continued support and involvement in our school community. The progress and growth in the first quarter is amazing. We are so proud of the work our teachers, staff and students have accomplished already this year. On November 10th, we will show gratitude for our nation's veterans who sacrificed so much for our country. This is a great time to have conversations with your children about what service is and how even at their age they can be of service in the community. Teaching students about service fosters a sense of appreciation and empathy and cultivates a spirit of gratitude.

The holiday season can bring many fun activities and of course breaks from school. Please help us keep school a priority during this busy time. Have daily conversations about what your child is doing in school. Consider changing your question from "How was your day?" to "What did you learn today?" Kids love when their parents are interested in their learning.

Our school community thrives because of the dedication, support, and involvement of parents like you. We wish you a wonderful and thankful November. Let's continue to work together to provide the best education experience for our Skycrest students.

Together We Soar!

Mrs. Caparaso

Dates to Remember

- 11/10 Picture Retake Day
- 11/10 Veterans Day Assembly
- 11/14 Mid-term Reports
- 11/15 Great American Teach-in
- 11/16 Pies for Parents in KG
- 11/20-24 No School, Thanksgiving Break
- 11/28 PTA/SAC Meeting, 4:00-4:30PM
- 11/28 STEM night, 4:30-6:00PM
- 11/29 International Café, 8:45AM,
Media Center, Room #7 ALL Welcome!
- 11/30 Parent Lunch Day

School Guidelines

Remember Skycrest school-wide expectations are S.O.A.R.

- Be Safe
- Be on Task
- Be Accountable
- Be Respectful

Food Drive

Our annual Food Drive for The Salvation Army will begin on October 18th. We will collect items from October 18th until November 16th. Please help us support those in need by sending non-perishable food items including pastas, soups, rice, boxed desserts, peanut butter, canned vegetables, canned fruit, dry cereal, canned meals, pasta sauce.

This community service event is sponsored by the SAVE Club and Multicultural Club.

Habit 3: Put First Things First

Put First Things First is at the heart of effective self-management. It's the ability to organize our time around the most important things. Focus on your highest priorities and eliminate the unimportant. Plan for the week ahead and don't give in to the pressure of the moment.

Toys for Tots

Toys for Tots provides Christmas gifts for children whose family has financial need. Registration for Toys for Tots is now open and closes on November 10th.

If you are interested, you can apply online at <https://toysfortots.org>

At the top of the page, click "Find a Local Campaign", on the next page select "Florida", then select "Pinellas County". Scroll down on the page that opens to "Request a Toy". You will need to provide an email address where the registration information will be sent. Check your email, even junk mail, for the registration email from Toys for Tots. Complete the registration information required.

You will need to go back into the system to check your approval at <https://t4tpinellas.ptaptsa.org>. Approval could take several days. Please watch for emails to confirm the pickup location, date and time which will be closer to the holiday in December.

Please contact Ms. Nemeth if you have any questions at nemethh@pcsb.org or 727-469-5987 ex. 2060

Congratulations

Our first PCS exhibition of the school year is just around the corner. We are thrilled to share that four out of five of Skycrest entries were accepted!

Please join us in celebrating these students who will have their work on display at the Dunedin Fine Arts Center from October 27th - December 8th.

Avery G - 1st, Pappas

Martin B - 3rd, Bates

Kevin C - 3rd, Bates

Sofia L - 4th, Deib



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International Café

Attention All Skycrest Families,

Please join us for our next **International Café on Wednesday, November 29th at 8:45am in the Media Center and Room #7**. This parent meeting is held in English and Spanish throughout the year. We discuss different topics such as academics and community resources. The meeting in November will focus on ways to help your student in Math for grades K-2nd and 3rd-5th. It's a great way to meet other parents, learn what is going on at Skycrest Elementary and hear about resources available in our Skycrest/Clearwater neighborhood. The meeting takes place while your student is in class, but younger children are welcome. Join us for some coffee/snacks and helpful information. Hope to see you there!
For planning, below are the dates for the rest of the school year (all meetings begin at 8:45am). January 31st, and March 27th.

*In the past, this meeting was open to Spanish speaking families, this year we are opening it up to ALL Skycrest families. Everyone is welcome!

Stem Family Night

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for a Title I sponsored **STEM Family Night (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math)** on **November 28th** from **4:30pm - 6:00pm** in various locations on our school campus. This event will be hands-on fun for the whole family including rockets, robotics, science experiments, coding games, and more! We will also have many community members such as Clearwater High, SPC Science Department, Boyd Hill Nature Preserve, and Moccasin Lake Nature Park, and many more presenting information that night.

There will be food trucks available during this event. We look forward to seeing you there!

Veterans Day

We are excited to announce the **Veterans Day Celebration** will be held on Friday, November 10th.

We will be creating a slideshow in tribute to our Veterans and would love to have a picture of your service member.

If you have a Veteran (living or deceased) or Active-Duty Military member in your family and would like us to honor their service, please **scan the QR code OR visit the link** to provide us with important information.

<https://tinyurl.com/4m6thbvf>



For questions, please contact blaircar@pcsb.org