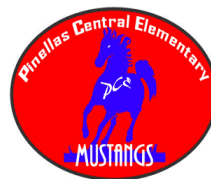


Pinellas Central Mustang Round-Up



January 8, 2018

VISION: Professional Community of Educators promoting 100% student success

CORE VALUES: Professional – Passionate – Positive

MISSION STATEMENT: The mission of Pinellas Central Elementary is to create a safe and positive learning environment where all individuals feel valued and challenged to reach their highest potential.

Principal's Message,

Happy New Year Pinellas Central Families,

Welcome 2018!! We hope you enjoyed the winter break with your children and spent some quality time creating memories together. Traditionally, January has been a great time to reflect on the areas in our lives where we felt successful during the past year. It is also a time to consider how to make changes in areas where we would like to improve. Many people make New Year's resolutions. As we begin the new year, our resolution is to continue to support your child's love for learning by providing lessons that engage them in critical thinking activities. This will support them throughout their education and into college, career, and life.

Just before the winter break, students completed our second cycle of testing. We are so proud of our students and their accomplishments thus far this year. Join us in congratulating everyone on their hard work and encouraging them to continue to strive for their best daily. Results of your child's assessments will be shared by their teachers.

We enjoy having our families on the school campus. Please join us for the upcoming family events (see calendar), to volunteer, eat breakfast or lunch with your child, or conference with your child's teacher. Please know that we welcome you and hope to see you around campus.

Dr. Cara Walsh
Principal

Important Change in Student Absence Reporting

Beginning January 3, 2017 all student absences must be reported in writing directly to the school office. There are 2 ways to complete this requirement.



1. Go to our school website www.pcsb.org/pincen-es and click on the report student absence button in the top right corner of the home page. You will be directed to an email that will be sent directly to the Student Records Office. Please include all information as listed below.

2. Return a written notice form (see back page of newsletter), a hand written explanation from you or proof of a medical appointment to the school front office.

NOTE: Reasons for absences can no longer be reported in agenda books because documents must be filed in the student records office.

Telephone calls will not excuse an absence. Please submit the written note upon the students return to school.

All notes explaining absences must include the following:

Students Name

Teacher

Date of Absence

Reason for Absence

We appreciate you following these new district wide procedures as we strive to maintain accurate student attendance records.



Mustang Volunteer

Happy New Year and welcome back PCE Mentors and Volunteers!

Do you have 30 minutes per week to commit to make a difference in a child's life? We would love to have you join us as a Lunch Pals Mentor. For more information on volunteering, becoming a registered volunteer and mentoring opportunities with one of scholars, please contact Jami Carpenter at, carpenterjam@pcsb.org or (727)547-7853 ext. 2101. As always thank you for all that you do!



1/08/18 Students & Staff return to school

1/10/18 Ready, Set, Kindergarten 5:00 p.m.

1/15/18 MLK Day School closed

1/17/18 Math Grocery Store Scavenger Hunt
6:00p.m.-7:00 p.m. at Publix: 4701 Park Blvd, Pinellas Park, 33781

1/19/18 Report cards go home

1/23/18 McDonald's Spirit Night 4:00 p.m.-9:00p.m. &
Astro Skate Skating Party 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. \$6 Cash Only

Happy New Year!!! PTA would like to send a big thank you home to all families and friends for their support in our Apex Fun Run Fundraiser! Results of money raised will be announced in next months newsletter. Please be on the lookout for our January PTA Membership Drive form and T-Shirt Pre-Order information in your child's agenda this month! It's a great time to be a PCE Mustang! Please direct any questions you may have to pinellascentralpa@gmail.com.



ESOL News

Way to go Pinellas Central Families and Scholars! As a school we collected 2,841 cans and nonperishable items to be donated to the St. Giles Food Pantry. As a school we raised almost a 1,000 more cans than last year!

Congratulations to Mrs. Herman's Scholars who won our PCE Canned Food Drive with 1,172 cans collected!

We also have our grade level winners who received the golden can awards:

Pre-k- Mrs. Armbruster

Kindergarten- Ms. Reitz

1st- Mrs. McHale

2nd- Mrs. Herman

3rd- Ms. Dee Sweiss

4th- Mrs. Harmon

5th- Mrs. Redington

IVE- Mrs. Vickstrom



Patrols of the Month

Shawn Jackson- He continues to go above and beyond in his duties. He helps his teachers in the morning before school and is always asking where else he can help out! Way to go Shawn!

Adriana Rafael- She has been extremely helpful with students in her class lately and removed herself from situations that are not helping her be successful. She is a great role model in class! Way to go Adriana!

Kaylen Padavong- She is always helping out in Mrs. Avolt's classroom and is always a great role model to her classmates and other patrols on post. Keep up the great work Kaylen!

Mustang Round Up Department News

Congratulations PCE Artists:

2017-18 Kids Tag Art Award of Excellence

Recipients:

Sydney Harmon

Selma Adulovic

Janelis Amador



These students will be honored at the Award of Excellence Ceremony, on Thursday, January 18, 6:00 PM at Largo High School Auditorium.

PE

Starting in January all students at PCE will be participating in golf, baseball and tennis lessons outside during P.E. During the golf lessons, students will have an opportunity to putt, as well as drive with a pitching wedge. While learning about baseball/softball, students will get to hit off of a tee and perform an overhand throw. Students will be able to hit a ball with a forehand shot, and will learn how to serve in tennis. Your child's safety is always a top priority, and we will teach all students how to participate in each activity safely. We are excited for a New Year at PCE!



Mr. Tuttle
Mr. Brindley
Mr. Wilson
Mrs. King

Music News

SAVE THE DATE



First Grade "informance" during Student Led Conferences, Friday, February 23rd

Third Grade Concert, Thursday, April 26th

More information coming soon.

Clinic News

Dear Parents:

This is to inform you that the vision and hearing team will be at our school on 1/22/18 all day and 1/23/18 for ½ a day.

If your child wears glasses or an apparatus for hearing, please make sure they wear or bring them to school on the above mentioned screening dates.

Per State Requirements, every student in Kindergarten, first, and third grade, will have a vision and hearing screen and a height, weight and BMI done.

Please be advised that if you want your child to be excluded from any of these screenings, we must receive a written request from the Parent/Guardian, to the School, for the **Attention of the School Nurse** as soon as possible before this screening date.

Thank you!

Nurse Carol Kathke



Mustang Round Up Department News & Students of the Month

COUNSELOR'S CORNER



The Character-Word-of-the-Month is self-motivation! Self-motivation is defined as working in a careful and consistent manner without giving up!

How can students be more self-motivated with their academics?

You can develop educational goals with your child. Below is a goal setting chart you can use toward academic success one step at a time!

Self-Motivation Goals

Things I do well academically

Areas I could improve in

In what academic area do I need to create a goal? _____

What steps must I take to improve in this area? _____

How can I check my progress? _____

Students of the Month

December 2017

KINDNESS

Kindergarten

- Ayla Tufekcic - Bodell
- Pryce Young - Brennan
- Jasenia Velasco - Gantz
- Moises Zacarias-Esteban- Gross
- Havilynn Worthington - Nault
- Ka'Lejah Dupree - Reitz

First Grade

- AlannahLevi - Bohrsen
- Dean Vaughn - McHale
- Paulette Bautista-Hernandez - Pruden
- Mixy Thompson - Robinson
- Mokshaditya Arlagado - Walko
- Lyna Luu - Williams

Second Grade

- Brianna Heard - Georgia
- Kayla Chau - Herman
- Jaedlynnne Babiera - Ristoff
- Zaquan Summers - Quinn

Third Grade

- Demetria Roberson - Gasky
- Valencia Joseph - Hevia
- Christa Weller - McConnell
- Bertha Hernandez - Robertson
- Hannah Tran - Sweiss

Fourth Grade

- Maple Huynh - Brnada
- Guadalupe Borja-Gomez - Harmon
- Xallie Alvarez-Matias - Hoylman
- Lillian Duong - Johnson
- Odalys Garcia - Nichols

Fifth Grade

- Andrew Nguyen - Avolt
- Tiffany Siev - Hallenbeck
- Sophie Sokolowski - Pizzi
- Maricela Hernandez- Redington
- Angelica Carlos- Sturz
- Michael Williams - Vickstrom

