



MILDRED HELMS ELEMENTARY IB WORLD SCHOOL MESSENGER

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September 2024

PRINCIPAL'S POINTS OF PRIDE

Dear Mildred Helms Elementary IB Families,

We are already into our second month of the school year and continuing our outstanding start. Thank you to all the families that attended our Meet and Greet as well as Open House. It was fantastic to see our returning families and a pleasure to meet our new ones.

Communication between home and school is critical to the success of our scholars. Please ensure that you review agendas daily and that contact information in FOCUS such as phone numbers and email addresses are updated. Remember you can view student grades using your access and share information with the teacher. As the district and our school has moved to FOCUS Communicator, it is critical that contact information is correct throughout the year. If you need assistance with the FOCUS application or support with linking your child to your account, please stop by the front office with your government ID and we will be happy to help.

Our first School Advisory Council (SAC) and PTA meetings of the year will be held on Wednesday, September 11th at 6pm and 6:30pm respectively. At SAC, we will share information on how to become involved in the development and planning of our family nights and will provide additional parent workshops determined based on student and family requests and needs.

Our Title I Annual Meeting has also been rescheduled for September 11th. At this time, we will share our Title I budget, resources and information regarding our Title I programs and supports. We look forward to sharing with all interested families.

We hope you join us a partner in your child's education throughout the school year. Together we can support all our scholars in experiencing a successful 2024-25 school year.

Respectfully yours,
Mrs. Brennan

JOIN US

9/11/24

SAC Meeting

6:00pm

Title 1 Annual Meeting

6:15pm

PTA General Meeting

6:30pm

Mrs. Cooper's Corner

Dear MHES families,

It has been such a wonderful start to our school year! I have enjoyed seeing many of you at our Meet and Greet and Open House and hope to see you at upcoming events soon!

Last year we were so thankful for the many donations for our PBIS store. Your continued donations help us keep our store stocked and ready for our students! Our students will have a chance to spend their IB bucks at the end of our 1st quarter! If you would like to donate to our PBIS store or for more information, please contact me at (727) 588-3569 or cooperkar@pcsb.org.

Thank you!
Mrs. Cooper

MHES COMMUNITY



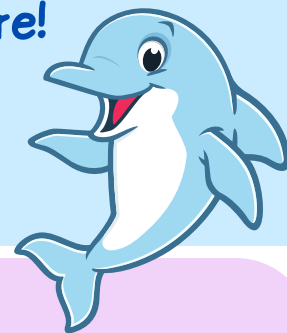
PTA NEWS!

PTA would like to say thank you for the support received at Open House and through memberships and Spirit Shirt orders!

Reminder: PTA is sponsoring a membership drive through September 9th. The class in each grade with the most PTA members by September 9th will win a popcorn party!

If you haven't already joined the PTA, please know the support through your membership is important to our school to help us bring quality events and programs for all of our MHES students. Please email the PTA Board for volunteer opportunities and join the PTA here!
<https://mildredhelmspta.givebacks.com/store>

PTA General Meeting 9/11/2024 at 6:30pm



Mildred Helms Elementary



Welcome Families to our 2024-2025 school year!

I am Cheryl Hauburger, Mildred Helms Elementary Family & community Liaison.

Phone: 727-588-3576 Email: haubgerc@pcsb.org

I look forward to working with you as a returning or new volunteer. All volunteers must be registered or activated before volunteering.

Volunteers and community partners make a huge difference throughout the school year. There are lots of Volunteer Opportunities for you to be an involved.

Returning Volunteers



Please re-activate your volunteer status in the volunteer system
Please use the Google Chrome browser and go to: <https://focus.pcsb.org/volunteer>
Enter your username and password: User ID: V.last name, first initial
Example: v.smithk
Password: Your last name (Capitalize the first letter only) followed by the 4-digit Birth Year Example: v.Smith1975

Brand New Volunteers



Please complete the online volunteer registration form. You will need to upload your government issued photo ID. Your applications will be processed through the Office of Strategic Partnerships of Pinellas County Schools. You will receive an email approval with a user ID and password. This will be used to log your volunteer hours.

Volunteer Registration: www.pcsb.org/volunteerregistration

Volunteers Opportunities

Walk Your Child to School Day: Wednesday, October 9

Great American Teach In: Wednesday, November 13

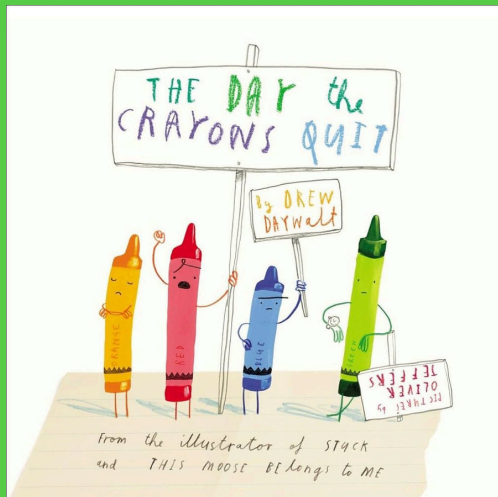
PTA, Book Fair, Field Trip Chaperone, Media Center, Picture Day, and Lunch Pal Mentor

Thank you to the following for supporting our school!

Ginny Brommelsick
Jet's Pizza
Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd
Pennymac
Publix
Pediatric Associates
The Backpack Lady Project
Elks Lodge #2159
Town of Belleair

THANK YOU

Book of the Month



LEARNER PROFILE OF THE MONTH

Communicator

We express ourselves confidently and creatively in more than one language and in many ways. We collaborate effectively, listening carefully to the perspectives of other individuals and groups.



We are a great COMMUNICATORS when...

- we listen to our teachers and family members.
- we use kind words with our friends.
- we listen carefully to others ideas and share our perspective.



Congratulations to our Risk-Takers of the month of August!

PreK/VPK: Kaytim M., Oden S., Princess D.

Kindergarten: Isai M.-M., Brody B., Maya B., Corbin H., Ja'Nylah V.

1st Grade: Khalees W., Kiyomi H., Madison W.-D., Jayden M.

2nd Grade: Brantley M., Coralie R., Paysen R., Jeweliette G.

3rd Grade: Madison B., Gideon A.-M., Czalina C., Victoria P., Aksel Y.

4th Grade: London V., Lia S. M., My'Joi C.,

5th Grade: Tony E., Aalyiah B., Arya J.,





Counselor's Corner

The first two weeks of school was filled with excitement as well as tears, and I'm not just taking about the students. Transitioning from home to a full day of school can be hard on some of the students. Typically, within 30 minutes your child is fine and interacting with other peers and engaging in learning and fun activities. To help with the transition remember to establish a routine for your child. Routines are comforting for us as we know what to expect. Stay positive. Give your child a smile, a hug, tell them that you love them, and you will see them later and wave goodbye.

For the month of September, I will be going into your child's classrooms and teaching them about emotions and how to cope with big emotions. We will also be working on ways to communicate with each other and conflict resolution.



Mrs. Clemens' Musical Notes

K-5 Music classes are off to a good start! We are learning more about BEAT, RHYTHM and knowing when a song is in a METER of 2, 3, or 4!

Parent Connection: When you're listening to music at home or in the car, ask your child, "Can you find the beat of this song?" Ask your 2nd-5th grader, "Can you find the STRONG beat in this song?"

The 4th and 5th grade Dolphin Chorus is off to a great start, also! We have 83 students involved this year! Rehearsals are on Fridays during the school day!

Parents! Be looking for more communication through Focus from me on upcoming Chorus events! Please make sure you OPT IN to receive TEXT messages through Focus! Thank you!

Thank you for your support of the ARTS in your child's life!



Coaches Playbook

Please remember to bring a filled water bottle with your name on it to PE.



www.pcsb.org/safetyconcern

Ms. Coleman's Book Nook



An ongoing focus in Media this school year is teaching students about digital responsibility at an age-appropriate level. We start by going over the Do's and Don'ts of device care. A device can be a laptop, an iPad, or a scientific tool or other classroom equipment. Ask your child to describe or demonstrate ways they take care of their devices at school and help our students continue the care for technology and books at home. I'm excited to welcome students to the library as Media classes start the first week in September!



MHES CALENDAR



September 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 No School ★ LABOR DAY ★ ☆☆☆	3	4 National Wildlife Day 	5	6	7
8  Happy Grandparent's DAY	9	10 Midterms	11 6:00pm SAC Meeting 6:15pm Title 1 Annual Meeting 6:30pm PTA Meeting	12	13	14
15	Start with Hello Week / Peace Week 				20 Fall Picture Day 	21 International Day of Peace 
22 	23 Teacher Planning Day No School for Students	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					



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for the most up to date information!

