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MARCH/APRIL 2020 EDITION

Dear Margate Friends and Family,

Principal's Message



WE ARE ALL STARS

Thomas J. Schroeder **Principal**

Vicki B. Flournoy **Assistant Principal**

Our mission at Margate Elementary School is to create a nurturing environment so that our students will become independent, successful, life-long learners by providing a high quality, differentiated, and innovative curriculum based on the Florida State Standards.

6300 NW 18th Street Margate, Florida 33063 Phone Number: 754-322-6900 Happy Springtime! Our first round of FSA testing will take place during the first week of April. Our third grade students will take their FSA ELA Assessment on Wednesday, April 1st and Thursday, April 2nd. On Thursday, April 2nd, our fourth and fifth grade students will take the FSA Writing portion of the ELA exam. We know that our students are well-prepared for the exam and applaud them for their and dedication work demonstrating their skills on this assessment. We applaud all our teachers for all their hard work preparing our students to meet success on this exam. Please make sure to review the testing calendar located in this edition of Panther Pawprints and on our website. Important resources regarding these exams can be found at http:// fsassessments.org/. Here you will find practice exams and details regarding the utilization administration, interpretation of our high stakes tests

Spring is an important time here at Margate Elementary. In addition to our testing season, we are also seeking your input regarding the operation of our school. This year, the entire district will participate in the AdvancEd Survey which provide us feedback regarding our accreditation standards. You can access the survey electronically and as a measure of gratitude of your participation in the survey, your child

here in Florida.

will receive free ice cream in the café and the opportunity to win a \$50 Gift Certificate. Your feedback is critical to our school and helps us to perfect the programs we have here at Margate Elementary. The survey can be access online and additional details will be sent home. Additionally, we will be asking for your input regarding our Title One Programs. This survey is separate from the AdvancEd survey and will also available electronically. You can find the links to both surveys on our website.

Finally, please join us for our upcoming Spring Fling and School Advisory Council on Friday, March 13, 2020 @6:00 p.m. This is a great evening and all who attend have a fantastic time celebrating with our community. Please continue to support your child's education by ensuring they complete their homework each evening, read for at least 30 minutes and access our extra electronic support programs.

May each of you have an enjoyable and restful Spring Vacation. Keep encouraging your children with positive affirmations. When we speak and believe in a positive manner, success will be ours. Together, working as a family, we can and will attain success.

Here's to a great month!

Mr. Schroeder and Ms. Flournoy



School Website: https://margateelem.browardschools.com

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Calendar of Events

March 4th-5th: MOCK FSA Gr. 4-5 ELA

March 5th: Jump Rope for Heart Begins

March 11th-12th: MOCK FSA Gr. 4-5 Math

March 13th: March Birthday Party @1:15 p.m.; SAC/Spring Fling @6:00 p.m.

March 16th-17th: St. Augustine Field Trip Gr. 4/5

March 17th: Employee Planning-No School

March 19th: Early Release Day; Last Day of Third Quarter

March 20th: Employee Planning Day-No School

March 23rd-27th: Spring Vacation

March 30th: Classes Resume

April 1st-2nd: FSA Gr. 3 ELA

April 2nd: FSA Gr. 4 Writing

April 6th-7th: MOCK FCAT Gr. 5 Science

April 7th: SAC Meeting @2:15 p.m.

April 9th: Early Release Day; Parent Surveys Due

April 10th: No School

April 15th: Report Cards Issued

April 23rd: Big Daddy's Pizza Night; Zone Parent Night

April 24th: April Birthday Party @1:15 p.m.; All Pro Dad

Dance





Safety and security are our top priorities. Please make sure to remember the following safety procedures:

- All visitors must report to the front office.
- All visitors must go through our STAR Visitor System.
- All visitors must have an I.D. in order to gain access to the school.
- All parents must have a Green Walk-Up Pick-Up Sign to pick-up their child by foot. A picture of the sign on your mobile device is acceptable as well.
- All parents must have a Blue Car Rider Sign to pickup their child by car.
- Students will wear their I.D.s while on campus
- Parents must update their contact information with the front office.
- All students should be in uniforms. Our uniform policy is listed in this newsletter and our website.
- Consistency with dismissal is critical. Please alert the teacher and office ASAP of any changes.
- Help build your student's independence by ensuring they come to school prepared with their lunch, materials, etc. If you find it necessary to bring them the items they forgot at home, the front office will take such items from 8:00 to 8:30.
- Early student sign-outs will cease at 1:00 p.m.



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SAC/SAF Meeting Dates for 19-20

SAC Chairperson: Shannon Mills; 754-322-6900 SAF Chairperson: Theresa Honig, Denise Wood

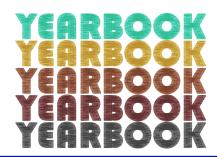
SAC Meetings

754-322-6900

Friday, March 13, 2020 @6:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 7, 2020 @2:20 p.m. Tuesday, May 5, 2020 @2:20 p.m.

SAF Meetings

Thursday, March 5, 2020 @6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16, 2020 @6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 14, 2020 @6:30 p.m.



Pre-Order a copy of your 2019-2020 All Star Yearbooks. They are now on sale for \$25. You can purchase a yearbook from our PTA. There are also well-wishers and ads available for purchase. Additional information is available on our website or through our PTA.



FSA/End of the Year Important Assessment Dates

First/Second Grade

Primary Reading Test: May 5, 2020 and May 6, 2020



Third Grade

ELA FSA: April 1, 2020 and April 2, 2020 Math FSA: May 12, 2020 and May 13, 2020

Fourth Grade

ELA Writing FSA: April 2, 2020 ELA FSA: May 5, 2020 and May 6, 2020 Math FSA: May 12, 2020 and May 13, 2020

Fifth Grade

ELA Writing FSA: April 2, 2020

ELA FSA: May 5, 2020 and May 6, 2020 Math FSA: May 12, 2020 and May 13, 2020 Science FCAT: May 19, 2020 and May 20, 2020

Please Support PTA! Membership is \$6. All Visitors are to Report to the Front Office Volunteers Can Register at www.getinvolvedin education.com Ice Cream is Sold in the Cafeteria on Wednesday \$.65 Support Our School with Boxtops





Attention Parents from ALL Coconut Creek Innovation Zone Schools

The Coconut Creek Zone Schools are collaborating to facilitate parent/community sessions about the following school topics:

- # Instructional/Curriculum Alignment from Kindergarten through Post-Secondary
- * Social Studies Development Amongst All Ages
- * Community, Civics and Census Information

Please attend our Final Parent Zone Session:

Date: Thursday, April 23, 2020 @6:30 p.m.

Location: Liberty Elementary School

2450 Banks Road Margate, Fl 33063

Phone: 754-322-6750

Please contact your child's school for questions or to RSVP.



Surveys! We Need Your Input!

We need your input and feedback. Please complete the following two surveys:

<u>Title One Parent and Engagement Survey</u> <u>Survey Ends: March 6, 2020</u>

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/ 1hIPjYDYUzTO1S1UR9zHRtLjsDUmcWkC5TvM_i BkNecA/edit

Annual Customer Survey: Survey Ends: April 9, 2020 https://eprovesurveys.advanc-

https://eprovesurveys.advanced.org/surveys/#/action/130076/ p568



Big Daddy's Pizza Night

Please help support our school with Big Daddy's Pizza Night Thursday, March 19th! Our school receives 20% of the funds raised by ordering delicious food!



COORDINATED STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

Parent Guide to the Novel Coronavirus (2019-NCOV)

Due to increased concern in the community about the spread of the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV), Broward County Public Schools has developed this guide so that parents/guardians have the correct information regarding what the virus is, how to protect yourself and your child, and what to do if you suspect a possible case.

The 2019-nCoV is a new respiratory virus originated in Wuhan, Hubel Province China. It is being closely monitored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Reported illnesses of 2019-nCoV have ranged from infected individuals with little or no symptoms to individuals who are severely ill. Public health officials are unclear as to how 2019-nCoV spreads from person to person

The symptoms include mild to severe respiratory illness with:

- Cough
 Difficulty breathing

Having these symptoms alone does not mean that someone has the virus. Symptoms may appear in as few as two days or as long as 14 days after exposure. According to the CDC, the greatest risk of infection is for individuals who have traveled to Wuhan China. These symptoms mimic fluitles symptoms and there are currently no specific treatments for 2019-nCoV. However, preventive measures for the 2019-nCoV are similar to other respiratory viruses such as the flu.

What are flu symptoms?

Flu symptoms can include a cough, sore throat, fever, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headaches, chills, feeling tired and may include vomiting and diarrhea. Some people with the flu may not experience all these symptoms.

What if my child has these symptoms?

- You should contact your healthcare provider immediately. Don't wait for symptoms to worsen!
- Parents/guardians are encouraged to keep children home when sick.

What are some ways I can protect my child?

- According to the CDC, proper handwashing with soap and water is one of the best ways to prevent illness.
 Demonstrate proper handwashing for 20 seconds. Have your child visit https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/index.html to watch a video on proper handwashing.
 Demonstrate to your child how to cover their nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. They should throw the tissue away after use and wash their hands. If a tissue is not available, THEY SHOULD NOT USE THEIR HANDS. They should cover their mouth and nose with their sleeve.
- Children should avoid touching their eyes, nose, or mouth. Germs spread this way. If possible, avoid people who are sick.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces or objects.



Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work® Day

Thursday, April 23, 2020

Children want to experience what you do at work to give them ideas for their futures.

Workforce Development is for everyone! Show them by joining millions of Americans who participate in and inspire dream careers for a new generation!



STEPS FOR RAISING KIND KIDS

- 1. MODEL KINDNESS
- 2. PRACTICE KINDNESS
- 3. BE MINDFUL
- 4. MANAGE NEGATIVE **EMOTIONS**
- 5. TEACH EMPATHY
- 6. TEACH THE RIGHT **WAY TO APOLOGIZE**
- 7. CARE LESS ABOUT WINNING
- 8. READ BOOKS ABOUT **KINDNESS**
- 9. MINIMIZE DIGITAL **NEGATIVITY**

CLICK TO READ HOW!

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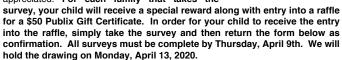
Annual Customer Parent Survey for Margate Elementary School

Dear Parent/Guardian.

Your opinion is important to us, and we ask that you take the time to complete this survey. The online survey will be available from Monday, March 2nd through Thursday, April 9, 2020. We value your opinion and ask that you please take time

to complete this survey. In order to complete the survey, go to: https://eprovesurveys.advanced.org/surveys/#/action/130076/p568 or utilize the QAR code. Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated. Thank you for taking your time to complete the survey.

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If you have any questions about this survey, please contact Shannon Mills, Math Coach/SAC Chairperson at Shannon.mills@browardschools.com or 754-322-6900. Thank you in advance for supporting Margate Elementary School's improvement efforts.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Schroeder, Proud Principal Margate Elementary School

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	Child's Name	
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+	Parent Signature	Date
