

# PETERS ELEMENTARY TITLE I SCHOOL PANDA PRESS NEWSLETTER



May  
2023

## Upcoming Events

- **May 1<sup>st</sup>**  
Rockets Launches Grades 2-5
- **May 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>**  
Teacher & Staff Appreciation
- **May 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Interims on Virtual Counselor
- **May 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Publix Math Night 6-8PM
- **May 5<sup>th</sup>**  
PTA Meeting at 9AM
- **May 8<sup>th</sup>**  
Bike Program Ceremony @9AM
- **May 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Fifth Grade Prom 6-8 PM**
- **May 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**ESOL Night 6PM-8PM**  
Head Start Moving Up Ceremony  
(Kreis-8:30AM/ Littles-9:15AM)
- **May 22-26th**  
**Spring Book Fair**
- **May 22**  
Kinder 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Virtual Awards  
@8:30AM
- **May 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
SAC/SAF Meeting @3:30PM  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade Quarter Virtual Awards  
@9AM  
Head Start Moving Up Ceremony  
(Holmes - 9AM)
- **May 24<sup>th</sup>**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Quarter Virtual Awards  
@9:30AM
- **May 25<sup>th</sup>**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Quarter Virtual Awards  
@9:30AM
- **May 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**No School**
- **May 30<sup>th</sup>**  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade Quarter Virtual Awards  
@9AM

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## From the Principal's Desk

The month of April was rewarding! A special thank you to Ms. Flagg and Mrs. Sugg for coordinating our *STEM Night at Code Ninja*. In addition, thank you to Mrs. Johnson for coordinating our *Virtual Awards Day* programs, Mrs. Bolona for coordinating our *Trilingual Drama Show* and Ms. Heiss for coordinating our *Volunteer Breakfast*. Ladies as always, job well done!

As we enter May, we will be celebrating our phenomenal teachers and staff during "*Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week*" (*May 1 through May 5*). In addition to taking the **State Assessments** on the following dates:

**May 2 – ELA (Grades K-2)**

**May 3 – ELA (Grades 3-5)**

**May 9-10 – Science (Grade 5)**

**May 16 – Math (Grades K-2)**

**May 17 – Math (Grades 3-5)**

Parents, please make sure that on the day of testing, your child eats a nutritious breakfast, arrive on time and be in bed the night before by 9 PM. Your support is greatly appreciated! Finally, be on the lookout for information about many fun-filled "End of the Year" activities.

Educationally,

*Eric Miller*

Eric Miller, Ed.D.  
Principal



## GRADE LEVEL NEWS

### Preschool

Our PreK and Head Start classes enjoyed participating in our musical parade to celebrate autism. The whole school cheered us on. We look forward to cheering on our ESE Pre-K friends during the Special Olympics (details to follow). We will continue to explore weather this month. We are especially curious about all the rain and how it helps the grass grow. Encourage your child to ask questions about weather and the world around us. There are great resources to answer these questions including: <https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/science/topic/weather>

Stay safe everyone!

### Kindergarten

Can you believe we are in the 4th quarter of kindergarten? Time flies when you're having fun! In the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, we are taking our end of the year assessments and doing some fine tuning as we prepare our scholars for first grade.

The kindergarten team had a great time with our students this year. They have progressed so much, and we look forward to their continued growth as they move onto first grade.

Thank you to the parents, for entrusting us with your children. Your cooperation and support in kindergarten was very much appreciated.

### First Grade

We have had fun learning together and our students have grown so much this year. We are so proud of them and the progress they have made academically and socially.

In the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, we will be taking our end of the year assessments. Your child's attendance is critical during these last few weeks of school. Parents, please make sure students are well-rested, eat a healthy breakfast, and arrive to school on time.

## Second Grade

In addition to taking end of the year assessment, scholars are learning to identify and explain various text features in informational text. We are learning to pay close attention text features (photos, captions, diagrams, charts, timelines, and maps) to help us learn more about the topic of a text. In math, we are exploring geometry and measurement.

Parents if you have questions about end of the year assessments and promotion criteria, please contact your child's teacher.

### Third Grade

May is finally here! This quarter, students will be busy with testing, working on projects, and wrapping up the school year. We are super proud of our 3rd graders. Students have done so well adjusting to the new Math series and navigating through the many platforms introduced this year.

Although we are so close to the end of the year, there is still a lot to be done. Please encourage your student to continue to work hard, try their best, and stay engaged. As we close out the year, you will be receiving updated data on your student and the next steps for the upcoming school year. Stay tuned for some fun and exciting class and school events!

### Fourth Grade

The fourth quarter is an important time for 4<sup>th</sup> graders. They are working hard to master all the skills necessary to be promoted to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Students are preparing to take the final F.A.S.T. assessments for math and reading this month.

In science, we will be learning about heat and other forms of energy. In math, students will be learning about standard and customary measurements and conversions.

Continue to check the agendas every day! As always, the fourth-grade team appreciates your support!

## Fifth Grade

Fifth Grade is gearing up for all our end of the year activities. On May 12 from 6:30-8:30 is our Prom, drop off event. Please dress in semi-formal or "Sunday Best" attire. Also, please note that on June 6th at 6:00 P.M. will have our promotion ceremony.

For this ceremony, we ask students to dress in nice clothing that are **black and/or white**.

We are very proud of how hard our students worked to prepare for the F.A.S.T assessment. We are still reviewing and learning important content, so please arrive to school on time each day.

Thank you for all your continued support! Fifth grade has had a wonderful year!

## Spanish

A special thank you to everyone who helped make the ESOL Competition and Trilingual Drama Show, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs a huge success!



The year is not over yet. Please join us on **May 18<sup>th</sup>** for ESOL night in the school cafeteria. In addition to fun games, parents and students will learn about the ESOL program and available resources.

For more contact Ms. Bolona at  
[Lissette.bolona@browardschools.com](mailto:Lissette.bolona@browardschools.com)

## Relay for Life

Thank you to everyone who represented Peters Elementary at this year's *Relay for Life* event.



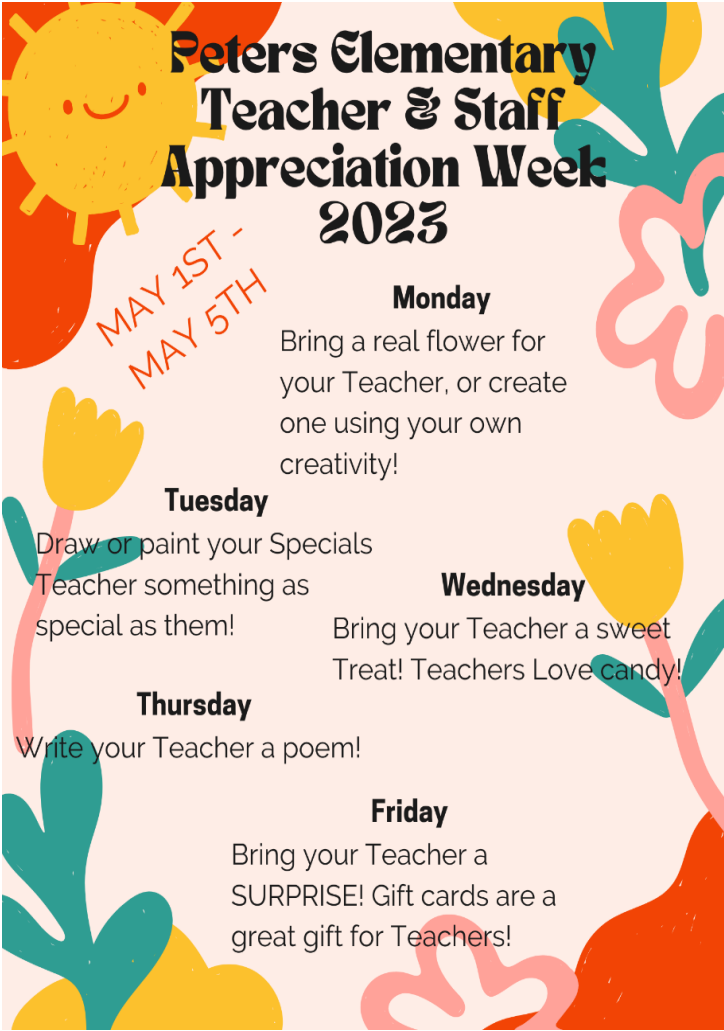
## PROCEDURES FOR VISITORS

All visitors must enter through our single point of entry. Visitors must ring the bell next to the Front Office door and show your valid identification on the camera above the bell so that we may verify you are either a parent/ guardian or an approved person on the student's emergency contact card. Please plan accordingly if you are picking up a student. We do not have students report to the office for early dismissal until we have verified identification.

**ALL visitors must wear identification/ID Badges**

## REPORTING AN ABSENCE

During the 2022-23 school year, parents will have access to an online form for excused absences. Parents will be able to fill-out a form that will send a notification to the school. Please go to <https://www.browardschools.com/domain/16513> select the Contact heading, and then choose Report an Absence. Absences may also be called into the attendance phone line at **(754) 322-7902**, or parents may email their child's teacher.

A colorful poster for Peters Elementary Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week 2023. The background is light pink with stylized flowers in yellow, orange, and teal. A smiling sun is in the top left. The text is in bold black and green fonts. A diagonal banner says 'MAY 1ST - MAY 5TH'. Activities are listed for each day of the week.

# Peters Elementary Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week 2023

MAY 1ST -  
MAY 5TH

## Monday

Bring a real flower for your Teacher, or create one using your own creativity!

## Tuesday

Draw or paint your Specials Teacher something as special as them!

## Wednesday

Bring your Teacher a sweet Treat! Teachers Love candy!

## Thursday

Write your Teacher a poem!

## Friday

Bring your Teacher a SURPRISE! Gift cards are a great gift for Teachers!

school year and an evaluation of last year's parent program. You can access this plan at <https://www.browardschools.com/site/Default.aspx?PageID=10737> . If you would like to review a hard copy of this plan or translation is needed, please contact the front office at 754-322-7900.

### **SCHOOL PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT (SPAR)**

The School Public Accountability Report contains several types of data (indicators) designed to inform parents and the general public about the progress of Florida's public schools. This report meets the public reporting requirements of the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act and certain additional information of interest on the status of Florida's schools. In addition, the Florida Department of Education publishes school grades, the results of the state assessment of Florida schools. You can access these reports at <http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbspar/index.cfm>. If you would like to review a hard copy or if translation is needed, please contact the front office at 754-322-7900.

### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

Parents are invited to review the Code of Student Conduct Handbook and complete the required forms by accessing <https://www.browardschools.com/Page/380107>

### **TITLE ONE PARENT INFORMATION**

**School Improvement Plan:** School staff and parents jointly develop the plan. It includes yearly objectives and activities that will be implemented at the school level. You can access this plan at <https://www.browardschools.com/peters>. If you would like to review a hard copy of this plan or translation is needed, please contact the front office at 754-322-7900.

**School Parent Involvement Plan:** School staff and parents jointly develop the plan as part of the School Improvement Plan. The plan includes the parent activities to be implemented through the



# MATH COMPETITION

Grades 3-5

Prizes and Giveaways to the top scorers

**GET READY !! STUDY NOW!!!**

3RD GRADE- MAY 8TH  
4TH GRADE- MAY 9TH  
5TH GRADE- MAY 15TH

## Broward County Public School District

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### Sign Up Instructions for Parents:

- Download **Here Comes the Bus** app or visit: [www.herecomesthebus.com](http://www.herecomesthebus.com)
- Click "Sign Up", then click "Continue".
- Click "I have the Code".
- Enter your email address, First Name, Last Name and School District Code (87599). Accept the Terms and Conditions, then click "Continue".
- Press Confirm the district displayed is "Broward County Public Schools".
- Create your password. Repeat your password. Press "Confirm Password" on the screen when complete.
- If successful, you will be directed to the Thank You screen. At that time, please check your email inbox for an email from [noreply@synovia.com](mailto:noreply@synovia.com).
- Open this email and click the "Activate My Account" link. Once completed, close the browser. You may now open the app and sign in with your email address and newly created password.

### Adding a Student:

- Access the **Here Comes the Bus** app.
- Click the **Student** icon.
- Click the **Add Student** button, then enter their last name and Student ID. Click **Submit**.
- Repeat this process for additional students.



For more information, visit: [www.browardschools.com/HCTB](http://www.browardschools.com/HCTB)



Broward Schools has transitioned to the Plain Language Emergency protocol. This language will be used to conduct our monthly safety drills and in the event of an emergency.

### STANDARD RESPONSE PROTOCOL

- HOLD**  
In your room or area. Clear the halls.
- SECURE**  
Get inside. Lock outside doors.
- LOCKDOWN**  
Locks, lights, out of sight.
- EVACUATE**  
To the announced location.
- SHELTER**  
Using the announced hazard and strategy.

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Submit a tip easily via our anonymous FortifyFL app. Provide as much detail as you can, including names of people involved, physical descriptions, school name, social media handles, etc. You can download the app or visit <https://www.getfortifyfl.com/> for more information



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**ATTENTION STUDENTS:**

# **NO BACKPACKS** **NO BAGS**

**PERMITTED ON SCHOOL CAMPUS**

 **From Friday, June 2, 2023**  
**through Thursday, June 8, 2023** 

- Lunches may be brought in a clear disposable container or clear plastic bag
- Students – if you have devices or books to return to your school, please return them by Thursday, June 1, 2023



*\* NOTE: A small pouch may be allowed for personal hygiene items*



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# Register 2 Ride



Interested in riding the school bus?

You must live further than two miles from the school

Steps to register for the bus:

1. Log on to <https://tfsweb.browardschools.com/ride>
2. Login with student account e.g.  
[06xxxxxxxx@my.browardschools.com](mailto:06xxxxxxxx@my.browardschools.com)
3. Answer the question
4. Press submit

Please register by July 15<sup>th</sup> to ensure a bus for the first day of school