

Panther Paws

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Calendar of Events

March

- 3/1:** Kindergarten Field Trip: Safety Town
- 3/5:** SAC Meeting
- 3/13 - 14:** Second Grade Field Trip: Old Davie School House
- 3/15:** Third Grade Field Trip: Lion Country Safari
- 3/20:** Fifth Grade Field Trip: Universal Studios Orlando
- 3/21:** Early Release; Quarter 3 Ends
- 3/22:** No School - Employee Planning Day
- 3/25 - 29:** No School - Spring Break

Administrator's Corner

Spring is right around the corner and there are many things happening at Parkside. The month of February was filled with Love and Kindness and March will be filled with Shamrocks, Clovers and a lot of Luck! This will be a short month as Spring Break is right around the corner. Please pay close attention over these next few months so you don't miss out on all that is happening as we head into the last quarter of school.

We want to thank all of our families who were able to come out to the Family Math Night at Publix. This is always a great night where families can come out and do real world math problems with their children. Publix always does a great job hosting and giving our kids special treats. PTA had a get night as well for their Movie under the stars. We want to thank them for hosting this give back to our families and we hope you all enjoyed the evening. Finally, we want to thank all of our teachers, staff, families and community for supporting the Day of Service and Love. We were able to create over 300 care packages to give to the homeless. Each student participated in some way on the 14th. Whether they stuffed the bags or wrote a "You Matter" note, our entire school made a difference. We are looking forward to seeing the delivery of these to the homeless and the presentation for the students.

Attendance and tardies has continued to be an issue this school year. In order for teachers and students to be successful in teaching and learning, children must be here on a daily basis. Children should only miss school when they are sick and we do understand special occasions occur at times. Vacations, celebrations, etc.. should be planned during the many breaks we have throughout the school year. Both tardies and early releases do accrue and add to your child's absences. Please help us in reducing the amount of absences and tardies each day.

The 2024/25 school year is right around the corner and Parkside is excepting reassignments. If you know of a family who may be looking for a new home as a school, please have them reach out for a tour of the school. As you all know, Parkside is a great place for you child to be. If you need more information, please reach out to the front office.



Please complete our Annual Parent Survey! We need everyone's participation to complete this brief anonymous questionnaire. We appreciate you and we appreciate your feedback!



We have been working to update our website with all of the great things that are happening at our school and to include pictures of all the activities and events we have. Please take some time to take a look at it and enjoy all the pictures.

Congratulations to Mr. Lehrhaupt and the Parkside Robotics team for their performances over this last month. They have been working hard to master the coding and shine in these competitions. They have placed in the last two competitions and won the Inspire for Award for collaboration and team work. Great job and keep up the good work!

We hope that you have enjoyed this nice weather and enjoy these next few weeks before our Spring Break. Thanks for being a part of Parkside Where we are Traveling through Moments of Time.

Ms. Laneia Hall, Principal



Kindergarten

March will be another busy month for Kindergarten! We have some field trips coming up. We will be making a trip to Safety Town the first week of March. Make sure your child wears their class shirt on the day of their field trip, brings a bag lunch and a water bottle. Thank you to all the volunteers for your help with these field trips!!! We will be studying weather and life cycles in science and continuing with addition and subtraction in math. In social studies, we are learning about community helpers. We are also concentrating on sequencing and retelling stories to help with comprehension in reading. Please continue to READ, READ, READ at home! We hope you have a wonderful Spring Break and get some fun, family time in.

First Grade

February came and went in a snap! Thanks to all the families that made us feel super special on Valentine's Day with all the cards, flowers and gifts. It made each of us smile! The children had a blast exchanging Valentines. It was truly special to see all the children thank each other and show their appreciation and love for their friends. We also planted in the garden for our day of service act! The students really enjoyed seeing their plants grow! In math, we are working on using strategies to add and subtract numbers to 100. Please review place value with your child and practice math facts nightly! We have been reviewing reading strategies and adding new ones every couple of weeks.. In reading, we've also started some important practice for the end of the year reading test. Be on the lookout for reading passages with questions going home. These passages are similar to what will be on the test, and they are great practice! READ, READ, READ EVERY NIGHT! We spent a lot of time in January and February recognizing people from the past that have made an impact on our world and our lives. Ask your child to tell you about one of the historical people we learned about, and to include "facts" about what they learned and their opinion about these famous people. We will be learning about maps next! In science, we have been learning about Slow and Fast land changes to our Earth! See if your child can name a change that happens fast or slow! We will learn about the stars in the sky next! Thank you for everything you do at home to help your child continue to make progress in all the academic areas!

Second Grade

We are looking forward our field trip to Old Davie Schoolhouse where we will travel back in time to see how people lived in the 1800's. The students will learn the history of Florida through hands on experiences. In Math, we are beginning Topic 11: Adding and Subtracting with Numbers to 1000. As a reminder, you can go on Savvas Easy Bridge "Family Engagement" to see videos and other resources. In Science, we are exploring forces. The children will investigate gravity and magnetism. i-ready is a great resource for your child to get extra practice in Reading and Math. Your child can access i-Ready at home through Clever. The quarter will be ending on March 21st. Your child's teacher will be scheduling spring conferences. Please continue to read with your child each night for at least 20 minutes. Please spend time asking questions about the book. Discussing the books with your child is a great way to check for comprehension. Many students are making great progress in Reading. It is extremely beneficial for children hear fluency modeled. Please continue to take some time to read to your child so they can hear your fluency as they read along. Thank you for all you do to help your child succeed!

Third Grade

It is March Madness in Third Grade and we are all shooting for the three-pointers! In Reading, we are starting Benchmark Unit 7. Some of the areas we will focus on are plot development, compare/contrast characters, theme in poetry, figurative language, fluency strategies, analyzing illustrations, author's purpose and claims, text features, metaphors, historical fiction, narrative and opinion writing. In Math, we are knee-deep into Topic 10 on fractions, but also continuing daily math review activities to enhance areas of multi-digit addition and subtraction, rounding, area/perimeter, and multi-step word problems. In Social Studies, we will be concentrating on famous women in history and the contributions of many incredible female writers, scientists, inventors, activists, and leaders. In Science, we were finishing up with States of Water and will soon embark on the Laws of Gravity and explorations of friction. And it's just about here! On Friday, March 15th, we will be going on an all-day trip to LION COUNTRY SAFARI! More details will follow soon from your child's teacher with regard to bus-loading time, lunches, what to bring, and pick-up. As always, please continue to take a few minutes daily to review your child's work with them. The more interest you take, the more interest they will take!

Fourth Grade

Being the shortest month of the year, February sure lived up to its reputation as it flew by! We began our month continuing our education on fractions! In science we rocked out learning about the different types of rocks and minerals! In reading we dove deep into technology and how far it has come over the years. Our students took a trip to St. Augustine as well, where we got to see the Castillo de San Marcos, drink from the Fountain of Youth, and go on a pirate tour! Not to mention spend the night in a hotel! For Valentine's Day, we completed our Day of Service by creating gift bags full of essential goods to give out to the less fortunate. We are excited to move into March, may the luck be with us!

Fifth Grade

Happy March! Fifth grade has been working hard. In reading, we are working on non-fiction texts about the Industrial Revolution. We are working on text structure. In writing, we are working on writing opinion and informative essays. In math, we just finished adding and subtracting fractions with unlike denominators and are moving on to multiplying fractions and whole numbers. In science, we are working on circuits. In social studies, we have been working on our JA Biztown curriculum. We are also excited for our upcoming field trip to Universal Studios on March 20th.

2023 - 2024 BCPS Parent Survey

In an effort to improve system practices, Broward County School District is conducting a Parent Survey. We value your opinion and ask that you please take time to complete this survey. Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated. The surveys will be available online in English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, and Portuguese. Thank you for taking your time to complete the survey.

To complete the survey, click on the link or QR Code:

Parent Survey
Link: https://eprovesurveys.advanced.org/surveys/#!/action/246161/p568


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The survey will be available Friday, March 1, 2024 - Tuesday, April 30, 2024.

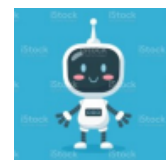
Second Grade Gabie Science Bus Field Trip



Parkside Robotics Team



On January 22nd, February 6th and February 21st our Robotics team competed in the 1st ever Broward County Public Schools ONLY- VIQRC League



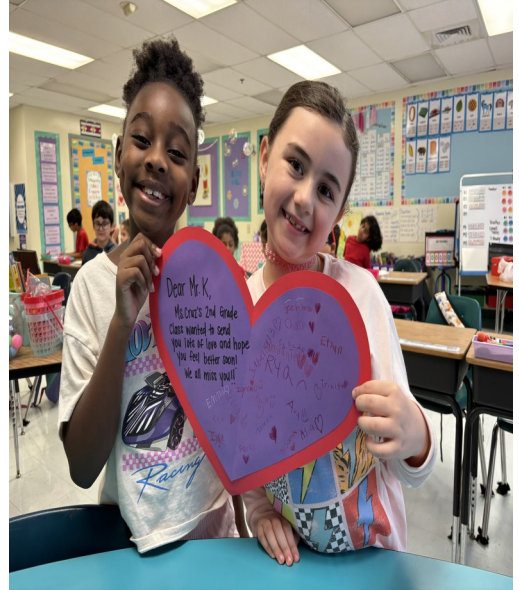
100th Day of School



Second Grade Black History Month Projects



Day of Love & Service



Coral Springs Middle School Field Trip

Fifth Graders that will be attending Coral Springs Middle next year had the opportunity to visit the campus, meet staff members, and see a performance by the cheerleaders and school band!



Fifth Grade JA BizTown Field Trip

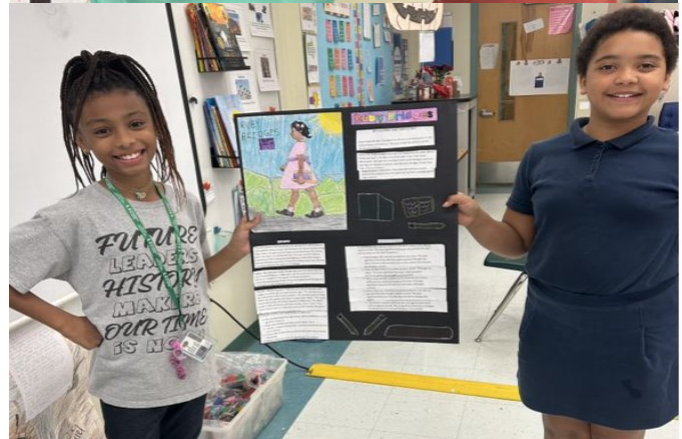
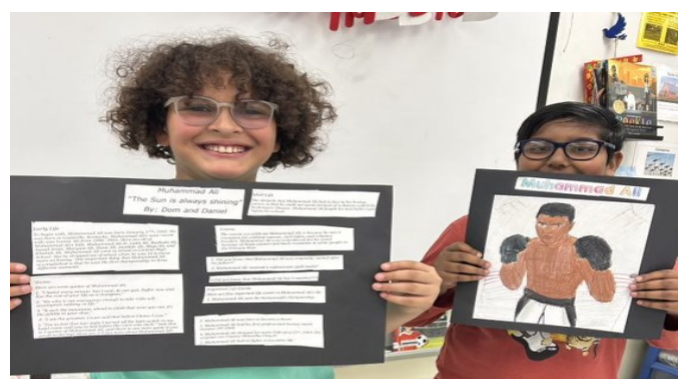
Our students had the opportunity to operate banks, manage restaurants, write checks, and vote for mayor. They were able to connect the dots between what they learn in school and the real world.



Fourth Grade St. Augustine Field Trip



Fourth Grade Black History Month Projects



School Advisory Update



School Advisory Council (SAC): SAC is a committee of parents, community members, and teachers who meet to discuss and monitor our School Improvement Plan. The focus of SAC is primarily student achievement but many issues are discussed that affect the school. SAC has an official elected membership but all are welcome to attend each meeting.

School Advisory Forum (SAF): SAF is an open forum to discuss any school or community issue. While SAC focuses on the School Improvement Plan, SAF is the place to get more information, address any other concerns, or share ideas that impact the school. SAF has no official membership and our SAF meetings are held back to back with our SAC meetings.

Our monthly School Advisory Council (SAC) and School Advisory Forum (SAF) meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 5th at 7:30 am** in the school's Media Center. All are welcome to attend. Arrive a little earlier in order to get checked in before the meeting starts. Thanks for your voice and concern in your child's school.

PARKSIDE ELEMENTARY



Parkside PTA Update

Hello March! Let spring begin... May this month bring smiles and happiness to all of our Parkside students, staff and families! Next month, PTA will be hosting another amazing giveback, Bingo 4 Books on 4/16. Flyers will be going home once we return from spring break with additional information. We hope everyone enjoys their spring break!

Panther Aftercare News

This year is really going by fast. Spring Break is quickly approaching and we need daily reminders of what is expected behavior and what is not. Students are giving homework time everyday and are not taking advantage of it, then going home and reporting that they did not get time. Please know that all children have time Monday thru Thursday to complete and get help with their homework. Some of them are saying that they have to do it at home and not working on it here at school. Please encourage your child to work on their homework during aftercare. If they are not doing homework, they should have something to work on while the other students are working. Our next payment is due on Thursday March 14th. Please plan accordingly. Have a great Spring Break!



Lakay Wilkerson, Aftercare Supervisor

School Counselor's Corner

Spring is an extremely busy and an important time each school year. During the spring months various standardized assessments are held and academic plans for the following school year become the forefront in parent/teacher communication/collaboration. In addition, this spring, the school counselors are offering several guidance groups that will meet once a week or once every other week (i.e. depending upon standardized test dates, Spring Break, etc.) for approximately 30 minutes. The guidance groups are prospecting to run until early May 2024; some of the groups being offered are as follows: Self-Awareness & Self Confidence Family Changes Making Good Choices/Good Behavior For more information on one of the above guidance groups please notify your child's teacher of your interest or submit an email to Nicole.hahn@browardschools.com (K-2) tracy.cerra@browardschools.com (3-5) Finally, Self-Control is the character trait for the month of March. Self-Control is when one can regulate his or her response and/or reaction so that a negative result doesn't occur. For more information on how to teach and encourage Self-Control at home please visit: <https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/self-control.html>



Nicole Hahn, School Counselor (K-2) & Tracy Cerra, School Counselor (3-5)

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