A Note From the Principal...

October 2018



"Kiss the pig, kiss the pig!' The chants from close to 600 students filled the air as they ricocheted off the tin roof of Longwood's PE pavilion. Yes, that's right, Mrs. Jones, Officer Tuck and Mr. Emmans had to kiss the wet, hairy noses of Riblet and Pork Chop. The excitement couldn't be contained as we celebrated for reaching our goal of raising \$5000 from our Boosterthon Fun Run! To top it off, Riblet and Pork Chop were ready for the show as they came dressed as a pineapple and wolf. There was no better way to start off the fall season... pigs in costumes and kindergarten celebrating Johnny Appleseed's birthday!

We want to give a giant **CIRCUS SIZED THANK YOU** to all of families and everyone who supported our Boosterthon Fun Run! Our PTA team worked extremely hard to make this fundraiser a huge success. Your sponsorship of the Boosterthon Fun Run will help to facilitate PTA's continued commitment to fund school and family programs, purchase equipment for the school and provide opportunities to fund grants for teachers and classrooms. We also wanted to thank you for your commitment to our students and their education. Please continue to:

- Take time to read to and with your child on a regular basis
- Ask your child about his/her school day and really listen to what your child says
- Contact your child's teacher to clarify questions about homework, classroom activities, etc.
- Sit down with your child and ask questions about the kind of work they are doing
- Don't forget to set up a conference with your child's teacher to hear about their progress

If we continue working together to support our Lions, they will continue their successes and Longwood Elementary will be the BEST SCHOOL EVER!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October 11th & 12th - No School October 12th– Vision Screening for Pre-K, VPK, 1st, 3rd and new students October 16th—Chorus & Art Club Starts October 18th-4th Grade Field Trip October 18th—Book Fair Starts October 19th–Lunch with a Loved One for K and VPK-10:27 to 10:57 and 11:30 to 12:00 October 22th-Lunch with a Loved One for 2nd-12:40 to 1:10 October 23th-Lunch with a Loved One for 4th and 5th-12:11 to 12:41 and 11:30 to 12:00 October 23th-Report Cards go home October 24th—Lunch with a loved One for 3rd-11:49 to 12:10 s S October 24th- Nationwide Unity Day! Wear ORANGE. October 25th—Parent Day in VPK October 25th—Trunk or Treat from 5:30-7:30 pm. October 29th—Drama Club Spirit Night @ Marco's Pizza October 31th- 3rd Grade field trip

For help with translation, please contact the school's main office. Para ayuda con la traducción, por favor, póngase en contacto con la oficina principal de la escuela.





COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Red Ribbon Week October 22rd-26st

Monday, October 22, 2017 Morning kick-off on news Students receive wristbands with a drug-free message.

Tuesday, October 23, 2017 "Put a Hat" on Drugs Day. Wear your favorite hat.

Wednesday, October 24, 2017 Wear orange to celebrate Unity Day.

Thursday, October 25, 2017 Character day

Friday, October 26, 2017

Wear your favorite team gear. Team up against drugs! Students are "Catching the Wave to Success" by making healthy choices.

BULLY PREVENTION MONTH

Longwood Elementary, its staff, and its students say **STOP** to bullying! There are reporting boxes in both offices and classroom lessons are scheduled when needed as a proactive approach to address specific concerns. Seminole County Public Schools defines bullying as "systematically and chronically inflicting physical hurt or psychological distress on another person including: unwanted and repeated written, verbal, or physical behavior that is severe or pervasive enough to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment; cause discomfort or humiliation; or unreasonably interfere with the individual's school performance or participation".

To report bullying:

- Call the Speakout Hotline 1-800-423-8477
- Contact <u>www.speakouthotline.org</u>
- Contact Longwood Administration

STUDENT COUNCIL

The votes are in and we have our newly elected Student Council. Congratulations to our 2018-2019 Student Council Executive Board!

- Armani Hoyle, President
- Aleena Austin—Eddy, Vice President
- Isabella Trujillo, Secretary
- Jaemirian Robert Soto, Treasurer



CONVERSATION STARTERS

Here are some ideas from our ALL PRO DAD on questions to ask our kids:

- 1. When are you the most positive during the day? When is it hard to be positive?
- 2. How can we help each other to be a positive family?
- 3. How can we as a family have a positive effect on our community?
- 4. How did you show a positive attitude this month?





Be a part of Teach-In on Tuesday, November 13, 2018! Teach-In offers you the opportunity to read a book aloud, talk about your career, or students about your travels and hobbies. tell The time you spend will make a lasting impression on the children you speak to. Contact your child's teacher or Ms. Langston, our School Administrative Manager, if you are interested. More information will be comina home in November. Please remember that before entering a classroom, you must be a registered Dividend Volunteer. Visit www.scps.k12.fl.us and click on the Dividend link to register.

OTHER LONGWOOD HAPPENINGS



READING COUNTS!

Our School will be participating in the Reading Counts Program. This program is for the whole school KG

- 5th Grade. The books that are Reading Counts have stickers on them in the Library with how many points they are worth and Lexile numbers. Once the student has read the book, they can either use the computers in their classroom or the Media Center to take the test. Once on EPassport they click on the Reading Counts Icon to start the test. Students can earn points which we reward with various prizes at each level.

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

September 15th to October 15th is National Hispanic Heritage Month. Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America. The day of Sept. 15th is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua.

At Longwood Elementary, we are celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. The second grade classes will be researching different famous Hispanic individuals who have impacted their communities. We will be sharing and discussing our featured "Hispanic Heros" on the morning news. Other grade levels are welcome to take part in this as well, if they would like to do so.

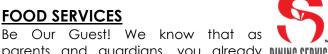
All classes will have the opportunity to make delicious quesadillas in our school restaurant.



TITLE I INFORMATION

As a Tilte I school, Longwood families have access to the Family and Community Outreach Parent Resource Center in Seminole County. They offer monthly parent information workshops, access to computer labs, and use of the resource library that is filled with materials that you can check out and use at home with your family. For more information and to RSVP for a workshop visit: www.scpstitle1family.com.

FOOD SERVICES



parents and guardians, you already DINING SERVICES have a busy schedule. We invite you to be our guest at Longwood Elementary Restaurant and allow us to serve your children а

freshly-prepared breakfast and lunch each day.

Join us for a great tasting breakfast, Monday - Friday between 8:10 am-8:30am. Each restaurant prepares a daily featured meal such as a Chicken Biscuit with our antibiotic-free, all white-meat chicken, Artisan Real Fruit Scones with yogurt or Egg & Bacon Quesadilla. There are also low-sugar, whole grain cereal choices and Dannon® Danimals® yogurt with homemade granola available each day. All include your choice of fresh fruit or juice and milk.

Great effort and care is taken to provide your children the best choices available for breakfast and the same goes for lunch. Multiple meal choices (4-5) are made for lunch at each restaurant for your child. Featured meals include our antibiotic-free chicken, fresh-made pizza with premium ingredients and salads with romaine, iceberg & spinach, just to name a few. All include 6-8 choices of fruit and vegetables so our quests can choose their favorites. along with nutritious milk. We continue to serve 60+ varieties of fresh produce each year, many of which are locally sourced. This care is taken to provide your child the nurturing and inspiration needed to achieve their best each day. Visit our new website at http://diningservices.scps.us/ to see our menu, our story, access your student's account and much more.



SAFETY PROCEDURES AND DRILLS

As part of our regular procedures, we will be practicing the Emergency Code Red, fire drills and hazardous weather drills.

Student safety is a top priority and in order to do so all schools are expected to practice these procedures. school-wide practice. These drills enable us to do They are intended to make sure our students and staff members know what to do in the event of an emergency.

Please take time to talk to your child about the various drills and reassure them that school is a safe place and by practicing these safety procedures only helps to prepare our Lions in the event of a real emergency.



NEWS CREW UPDATE

Students learn to put together a ten minute news show for the whole school to see. Students can work on camera or behind the scenes. On camera roles consist of the anchors, weather, sports, and lunch announcers. Behind the scenes students choose music, backgrounds, and work the teleprompters and sound board. The news crew starts at 8:10 A.M. and lasts for one quarter.



ART CLUBS

Information has recently been sent home with all 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students about the art clubs being



offered this school year. There will be a fall art club focusing on <u>stop-motion moviemaking</u>, a winter art club focusing on <u>pottery</u>, and a spring art club focusing on <u>origami</u>. Each will be held in the art room with Dr. Medico on Tuesdays from 2:55 pm to 3:55 pm. Interested students in grades 3-5 must return an application to Dr. Medico by Oct. 5th. There is no membership or supply fee required. Each club will be capped at 18 participants. If more than 18 students apply for a particular club, participants will be selected by lottery.

CHORUS NEWS

It's time for Longwood Lions Chorus! Participation in music presents an excellent opportunity for students to "learn, grow, and achieve" by increasing engagement with school activities and building selfconfidence. Students in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade will be receiving an application to fill out if they are interested in joining the chorus. The application will have rehearsal and performance dates as well as requirements and expectations. We can't wait to hear the Winter Concert!



LIONS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Mrs. Uliano and Mr. Wrathall are so excited to be continuing the LION Club (Lions In Our Neighborhood)!! We have a few exciting ideas that

will be working months. We will school wide by passing out each classroom to promote our We will be



on in the coming be continuing our recycling initiative recycling bins to and making posters recycling mission. working on creating

a second Longwood LIONS Book Box, due to the popular demand the first one received over the summer. We will also be giving out some special treats to our local crossing guards who help keep us safe each day on the way to school!

BOX TOPS

Start cutting and saving now! Our Lion Club is collecting Box tops and coloring books to glue the box tops on.



WEBSITES USED AT SCHOOL

Longwood Elementary and its teachers use several on-line tools to engage students and drive instruction and learning. Below is a list of websites that many of our teachers use in the classroom or on campus. The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) requires us to notify parents and get consent. A letter with more detailed information will be coming home.

Class Dojo	https://www.classdojo.com/privacycenter/
Prodigy	https://www.prodigygame.com/Privacy-
	Policy/
Flocabulary	https://www.flocabulary.com/privacy-policy/
Spelling City	https://www.spellingcity.com/privacy-
	policy.html
Sum Dog	http://www.sumdog.com/en/Privacy_Policy/
Xtramath	https://xtramath.org/#/home/faq?a=privacy-
	policy
Reading	https://www.hmhco.com/privacy-policy
Counts	
ReadWorks	https://www.readworks.org/privacy
Splashmath	https://www.splashmath.com/privacy
Studyladder	https://www.studyladder.com/about/privacy
Remind	https://www.remind.com/terms-of-service
Prezi	https://prezi.com/privacy-policy/
Kahoot	https://kahoot.com/privacy-policy/
Read Theory	https://readtheory.org/welcome/
	privacyPolicy
Multiplication	https://www.multiplication.com/help/privacy
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Longwood Business Partners

As we enter a new school year at Longwood Elementary, we would like to take time to thank our wonderful Partners in Excellence. If you get a chance to visit and support our Business Partners, it would be greatly appreciated!

