



Eagle View Newsletter

A message from Mr. Kelley

Involved Parenting and Student Success

Students and schools that demonstrate the most success have involved parents. In fact, our highest performing schools have highly involved parents. Parent involvement occurs in many ways. The most important way a parent can be involved is by showing unconditional love and acceptance for your child. Rather than praise how smart or talented your child is, praise their effort and hard work. Treat failures or mistakes as opportunities for learning rather than a judgement of a person's worth. This will set them up for future success.

Involved parenting includes checking your child's planner or communication folder daily. Look at your child's homework for completion. If he or she is struggling with the work, write a note on the homework to the teacher.

Finally, a parent's presence at school sends the message to your child that school is so important that you are willing to take time from your busy and challenging day to visit the school. Statistically, the more a parent visits the school to volunteer or attend events the better a child performs in school.

Help your child succeed – be an involved parent!

Red Ribbon Week

The week of October 23rd is Red Ribbon Week. This week will be filled with activities that educate our students about the dangers of drugs. Each day students will have the opportunity to participate in the commitment to be drug free by supporting the theme of the day.

- Monday – Wear Something Red Day!
- Tuesday – Team Up Against Drugs! – Wear your favorite team shirt, jersey, uniform or cheer leading outfit.
- Wednesday – Put a Cap on Drugs! – Wear a hat to school day
- Thursday – To Bright to Use Drugs! – Wear bright colored clothing
- Friday – United we Stand Day! – Wear your South Woods Spirit Shirt

PTO Fall Festival

This year's fall festival will have a patriotic theme. Join us on Thursday, November 9th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. for some fun with friends and family.

As part of this event we will be honoring service men and men in recognition of Veterans Day. We will display a Wall of Honor to pay tribute to family members of students and staff that served, or are currently serving in the military. If you have any veterans in your family that you'd like to pay tribute to, please complete the attached form "Veterans Day Wall of Honor" and return it to your child's classroom teacher. Extra forms will be available in the front office. Please return the completed form no later than Friday, November 3, 2017.

Upcoming Events

October 18th

Boy Scout Rally during lunch times

October 19th

Boy Scout sign ups 6:30-7:00pm in the cafeteria

October 19th & 20th

Second grade swimming field study

October 20th

Kindergarten field study to Pumpkin Patch

October 20th

Character Counts Assembly 9am cafeteria

October 23rd-October 27th

Red Ribbon Week

October 23rd

PTO Cookie Dough Sale begins

October 25th

All Pro Dads 7:00-8:00am media center

October 26th

Self-contained classes swimming field study

October 27th

Health Screenings K, 1st, 3rd grades

October 31st

First quarter report cards issued

November 2nd

Fire Prevention school visit Pre-K-1st grade

November 7th

SAC meeting 4:30pm Media Center

November 9th

PTO Fall Festival and Veteran's Celebration 5:30-7:30pm

November 9th

PTO Cookie Dough Sale ends

November 10th

Hurricane makeup day

Next hurricane makeup day Friday, November 10th.

[Proposed School Calendars](#)

The St. Johns County School District is seeking comments on proposed school calendars for three future school years. Individuals are encouraged to submit any ideas, suggestions or concerns about the proposed calendars. Feedback will be collected through Friday, October 27, 2017. The final proposed calendars must be approved by the School Board.

Follow this link to view the proposed calendars for the 2019-2020 and the 2020-2021 calendars. <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/calendar/proposed/>

[Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resource System \(FDLRS\)](#)

The Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS) is a federal and state funded program located in the North East Florida Educational Consortium (NEFEC) in Palatka, Florida. FDLRS provides support services to school districts' Exceptional Education Services (ESE) programs in Baker, Bradford, Flagler, Putnam, St Johns, and Union Counties and the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind. These services include a broad spectrum of activities, one of which is Child Find.

FDLRS Child Find provides assistance in the location, identification, evaluation, and initiation of appropriate education or other needed services to all children and youth, birth to 21 years of age who have or are at risk of developing special or unique needs. Primary emphasis is on children birth to 5 years of age. Kindergarten to 21 year olds who are not being served in a public school are also included in the target population. Please see the attached flyer for more information about FDLRS Child Find services.

[SWES Community Partnership School Update](#)

[Hastings Community Events](#)

There are several community events coming up. These include:

- [Hastings TeamUp to PinkUp](#) Breast Cancer Walk on October 21st at the W.E. Harris Community Center, 8:00am
- [Farm Share](#) at the W.E. Harris Community Center on October 28th, 9:00am-12:00pm
- [Halloween Fall Festival & Community Trunk or Treat](#) on October 2th at Al Wilke Park, 2:00-4:00pm
- [Hastings COA Veteran's Day Celebration](#) on November 8th at The Lord' Temple Fellowship Hall, 10:00am

Flyers for all of these events are attached to the newsletter. Information about the [Christmas Parade](#) on Saturday, December 9th and entry form will be sent out soon.

[PTO News](#) [PTO Board Members](#)

President- Allie Coleman
Vice President- Patti Greene
Treasurer- Michelle Losco
Co- Treasurer- Kelly Brown
Secretary- Bree Myers
Volunteer Coordinators- Jenny Butler and Jennie Koch

PTO meetings will be held on the 2nd Monday of every month at 6:00pm. Please feel free to join us as we have a lot of exciting events upcoming.

Contact PTO at: southwoodspto@gmail.com and like our Facebook page “South Woods Elementary PTO” to stay up to date with Events and Info for our school!

Box Tops are Back and Soda Can Tabs too!

Don't forget to collect your Box Tops and Can Tabs for money for our school. Please send them in in separate bags labeled with your child's name, grade and teacher. The class with the most collected every month gets to hold onto the Box Top Eagle Trophy for their classroom and gets a room party.

Congratulations to Mrs. Roloson's Kindergarten class! They are the winners for September Box Tops. We will be collecting **ALL** October Box Tops by October 29th so we can send them in by the November 1st deadline. **Remember SWES gets 10 cents for every Box Top!**

Cookie Dough Sales

Cookie Dough Sales begin this month. The sale will run from October 23rd through November 9th. More information will be coming home detailing one of most successful fund raisers!

AND

Fall Festival and Veteran's Celebration

November 9th from 5:30-7:30pm

If you are able to help with either of these events please contact the PTO. These are 2 big events, any volunteers are welcome.

Important Reminders

Extended Day

There is still room in our Extended Day Program. Pick up an application in the Front Office. We have availability in the morning from 6:30am to 8:00am for \$10.00 a week and in the afternoon from 2:45pm to 6:00pm for \$52.50 a week. There are part-time options and a \$25 registration fee.

Student Planners

Please sign your student's planner each night.

Visiting South Woods

In order to be in our school while students are present you must have a completed School Access form on file.

You may use this link to fill out the School Access form: <https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply>

Attendance

Please make every effort to have your student to school on time every day. This is one way to support your child's success at school.

Transportation Changes (Extended day and Parent Pick-up)

Transportation changes must be received in the front office by 2:15pm (1:15pm on Wednesday). This will ensure a safe and timely dismissal for all students. Thank you for your cooperation!