



# Word from the Woods



Mrs. Rodgers, Principal

<https://www.swe.stjohns.k12.fl.us/>

Eagle Families,

Our students are blessed to have amazing staff members working with them each day. We would like to congratulate the following staff members who have been selected to represent our school this year:

Jenny Moore-Jones  
Teacher of the Year

Mackenzie Hudgins  
Rookie Teacher of the Year

Lori Kosier  
Employee of the Year

All three staff members will represent South Woods Elementary at the district level! Please make sure that you continue to visit our website for the most up-to-date information regarding our school: [https://www-swe.stjohns.k12.fl.us/](https://www.swe.stjohns.k12.fl.us/)

Warmly,  
Angie Rodgers

## October



10/9 South Woods vs. Hartley BB Game @ 5:30pm, GRMS

10/10 FIRST QUARTER ENDS

10/13 **No School- Planning Day**

10/16 Osceola vs. South Woods BB @ 5:30pm, Harris Center

**Book Fair** October 20 – October 24



10/20 Q1 Honor Roll, Attendance & CC! Celebrations (Invites Only)

~1<sup>st</sup> Grade 9:00am, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade 10:00am, & KG 1:45pm

10/21 Q1 Honor Roll, Attendance & CC! Celebrations (Invites Only)

~5<sup>th</sup> Grade 9:00am, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade 10:00am, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade 1:45pm

School Advisory Committee (SAC) Meeting @ 3:30pm

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Meeting @ 4:15pm

**Scout Parent Meeting 5:30pm-7:00pm, 500 House**

10/22 Q1 Honor Roll, Attendance & CC! Celebrations (Invites Only)

~Access Points 9:00am, Pre-K 10:00am

**Report Cards Released**

10/23 Fall Festival 5:30pm-7:00pm

**Red Ribbon Week October 27 – October 31 (Details to Come)**

10/30 South Woods vs. Mason BB Game @ 5:30pm, GRMS

10/31 Character Parade 9:00am, Bus Loop

11/2 **Daylight Savings Ends- Fall Back**





## Before & After School Programs

Mondays	7:20am 2:45pm	Basketball Team* Gift of Dance MAPS
Tuesdays	7:10am 7:30am 2:45pm	Cheerleading Team* Robotics-Explorers Robotics- Challenge Sewing Club
Wednesdays	7:20am	Basketball Team*
Thursdays	7:10am 7:30am	Cheerleading Team* Chess Club
Fridays	7:15am	Choir Practice

\*Basketball & Cheerleading practices may change based on game schedule.

The New Worlds Reading program provides free books to Florida students in grades K-5. Use this QR Code to see if your student qualifies for this wonderful opportunity.

Elementary New Worlds Reading Registration Link



## CHARACTER COUNTS!



### Responsibility

Do what you are supposed to do.

Persevere: keep on trying!

Always do your best.

Use self-control.

Be self-disciplined.

Think before you act—consider the consequences.

Be accountable for your choices.

We Pledge to **SOAR**  
With good character:

We will be:

Safe

Organized

Accountable

Respectful



## Absences

A written note is needed within 48 hours of returning to school stating the cause of the absence. A complete list of excused and unexcused absences is referenced in the Student Code of Conduct.  
<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/schoolservices/conduct/>

## DISMISSAL CHANGES

**Dismissal Changes** are accepted until 2:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

**Early Check-Outs** must be completed by 2:15 p.m. and 1:15 p.m. on Wednesdays. These procedures help maintain safety and keep attendance reports accurately.

## Lost and Found

If your student misplaces any clothing, lunch box, or water bottle, it is placed in our lost and found located in the cafeteria. We recommend writing your child's name on such items, so they can be returned. All unclaimed items will be donated monthly.

## SWE is a Community Partnership School

Food Pantry  
Mondays 8:00am-6:00pm  
& Planning Day, October 13<sup>th</sup>

Clothes Closet  
Appointment Only

# PTO Updates

We appreciate all of those who participated in our Buddy A-Thon fundraiser, over \$7300 was raised to contribute towards our playground upgrades.

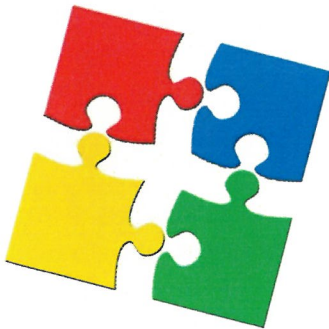
**NEXT EVENT:** Flyer coming home tomorrow.



## Red Ribbon Week

October 27 – October 31

Life is a puzzle, solve drug & bully free. It serves as a reminder that a healthy & kind lifestyle helps build a stronger, brighter future, one piece at a time.



Monday, October 27

**Piece Together Kindness- Wear red**

Tuesday, October 28

**Team Up Against Drugs & Bullying**

Wear matching outfits or twin with a friend

Wednesday, October 29

**Build a Bright Future- Wear college gear**

Thursday, October 30

**Mix & Match, We All Fit Together**

Wear mismatched or crazy socks

Friday, October 31

**It's Not a Puzzle, Show Good Character!**

Wear a Storybook Character costume

On Friday, October 31st students may wear a costume based on a storybook character. Students should bring the book with them. Costumes may be store bought or homemade; get creative! Costumes MUST follow SJCSD dress code & may not be bloody or violent in nature. NO MASKS or FULL-FACE PAINT ALLOWED. Students will follow their daily schedule so make sure they are bathroom & recess ready.