



# Meadow Park Eagle Tribune

November 2024 Edition

## Letter From Mrs. Higley, Principal

Dear Eagle Families,

Happy November! As we wrap up the first trimester of the school year, things at Meadow Park are definitely in full swing. It is a joy to visit our classrooms and see our students learning at the highest levels! We continue to reinforce safety and academics throughout our entire school community and our Fall Tutorial program has been very successful with stellar attendance. Although we missed a few days with the hurricanes this past month, we have not lost our momentum as we continue to track our student achievement progress. Our clubs are also underway with great participation. Our first graders visited the Palm Beach Zoo this past month, while our 5th graders attended a production at the Kravis Center. Most recently, our third graders visited Mounts Botanical Gardens as we encourage learning beyond the classroom and provide opportunities for our students to see all that is offered in Palm Beach County.

This past month has also brought much fun as our PTA hosted our annual Fall Festival. It was wonderful to see our community out in mass numbers with everyone having such a great time! Thank you, PTA for an amazing event! As we enter November, please be reminded that there is no school on Tuesday, November 5th, due to Election Day. Report cards will be posted to the SIS Parent Portal on November 8th. The Choice Program applications for the 2025-2026 school year will be available online beginning Monday, November 4, 2024 and will close on January 31, 2025, with the exception of BAK Middle School of the Arts, which has a deadline of December 6, 2024. Finally, please read through for all of our upcoming November events as well as additional information from Meadow Park Elementary!

Sincerely,

Sabrina Higley

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# Updates from Ms. White, Assistant Principal

## STEM Night - Thursday, November 7



We can't wait for our Annual STEM Night! Fliers went home with students this week. You don't want to miss this fun, interactive event! Students and families have the chance to explore 20 STEM Activities sponsored by the Cox Science Museum. Students get their passport stamped for each station they complete and can submit their completed passport for a chance to win STEM games, tickets to the Science Center, or other fun door prizes! See you there!

Parent and High School volunteers help make this event happen! Please consider volunteering your time...sign up here! [STEM NIGHT VOLUNTEER SIGN UP](#)

A flyer for a STEM Night event at Meadow Park Elementary School. The flyer features a central graphic of a honeycomb pattern with various science and technology icons: test tubes, flasks, an atom, a magnifying glass, a clock, and gears. The word "STEM" is written in large, green, outlined letters across the honeycomb. Text on the flyer includes: "Attention Families! Calling all STEM Stars!" in the top left; "TITLE I PARENT TRAINING #2" in the top right; "MEADOW PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL" in bold black letters; "STEM NIGHT" in bold black letters; "science, technology, engineering, and math" in a smaller, brown font; "November 7, 2024" in bold black letters; "Meadow Park Cafeteria" in bold black letters; "5:00 - 7:00 p.m." in bold black letters; "COME JOIN IN THE FUN AND EXPLORE OVER 20 STEM ACTIVITIES SPONSORED BY THE COX SCIENCE MUSEUM" in all caps; and three logos at the bottom: Meadow Park Eagles, Cox Science Center and Aquarium, and a STEM logo with icons for science, technology, engineering, and math. At the bottom left, it says "Made with PosterMyW..." and at the bottom right, it says "Looking forward to seeing you and your family then!".

**Attention Families!**  
**Calling all STEM Stars!**

TITLE I  
PARENT TRAINING #2

**STEM**

**MEADOW PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**STEM NIGHT**  
science, technology, engineering, and math  
**November 7, 2024**  
**Meadow Park Cafeteria**  
**5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

COME JOIN IN THE FUN AND EXPLORE OVER 20  
STEM ACTIVITIES SPONSORED BY THE  
COX SCIENCE MUSEUM

MEADOW PARK EAGLES | COX SCIENCE CENTER AND AQUARIUM | STEM

Made with PosterMyW... Looking forward to seeing you and your family then!

¡Atención familias!  
¡Llamando a todas las estrellas STEM!

Capacitación para Padres de Título I #2

**MEADOW PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**STEM NIGHT**  
science, technology, engineering, and math

**7 de noviembre de 2024**

**Cafetería de la escuela Meadow Park**

**5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

**VENGA Y ÚNASE A LA DIVERSIÓN Y EXPLORE MÁS DE 20 ACTIVIDADES PATROCINADAS POR COX MUSEO DE CIENCIA**

MEADOW PARK EAGLES  
COX SCIENCE CENTER AND AQUARIUM  
STEM

¡Espero verte a ti y a tu familia entonces!

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## Fall Tutorial Session

Parents, please mark your calendars...our Fall Tutorial Session will wrap up the week of November 18. Any 3rd-5th grade students that are participating in our Fall Tutorial morning or afternoon sessions will attend their final sessions during that week. Tutorial groups will NOT meet during the month of December.

Starting in the new year, we will use our most recent test data to invite students to our Spring Tutorial Session. Look for those permission slips to come out in mid- to late-January.

**FALL TUTORIAL SESSIONS**

THE FINAL WEEK FOR ALL MORNING AND AFTERNOON FALL TUTORIAL SESSIONS IS NOVEMBER 18

## Testing Updates

Our second Progress Monitoring (PM2) window opens when we return from Thanksgiving break in December! Please look for grade level specific dates and parent letters to come home soon! All students in K-5 will test ELA and Mathematics in the first two weeks of December. In addition, our 5th grade students will take a Science Diagnostic in December as well.

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## Updates from Mrs. Haag, SSCC

All students are currently working on learning about our government. From rules and procedures in and being a good citizen in kindergarten and first grade, to learning about how our government works in second through fifth grade.

Continue to support reading at home by reading with your child daily. Ask questions that include why or how the author included details or illustrations and photographs in the books and texts they're reading. The love of reading is built and established at home.

Third, Fourth and Fifth grade students will be taking a writing assessment on November 18-20th in preparation for the B.E.S.T. State Writing Assessment in April (4th and 5th grade students only).

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## Title I Updates

### **RESCHEDULED! Parent Training #3: Helping your Child with Mathematics Using Manipulatives**

What: Title I Parent Training #3: Helping your Child with Mathematics using Manipulatives

When: RESCHEDULED for Thursday, November 14 at 5:30 p.m.

Where: Meadow Park Elementary Media Center

Hope to see you there!



You're Invited!

# Title I Parent Training #3: Helping your Child with Mathematics Using Manipulatives



Don't  
Miss It!

Thursday, Nov. 14, 2024

5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Meadow Park El. Media Center

- Learn strategies to reinforce learning at home
- Explore how to use manipulatives to help make math concepts more understandable

*Make Math Fun!*





¡Estás invitado!

## Título I Entrenamiento de Padre #3:

### Cómo ayudar a su hijo con las matemáticas usando materiales manipulativos



¡No te lo pierdas!

jueves 14 de noviembre

5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

la biblioteca de Meadow Park

- Aprenda estrategias para reforzar el aprendizaje en casa
- Explore cómo usar materiales manipulativos para ayudar a que los conceptos matemáticos sean más comprensibles

*¡Haz que las matemáticas sean divertidas!*

## Grade Level Updates

### Pre-K and VPK

PK just wrapped up its Frogstreet unit on Color, Shape, and Size. For the month of November, our theme is Safe and Healthy Me. Our students will learn rules about health and safety. Be on the lookout for the Home-School Connection packet which includes fun family activities relating to this theme. There will also be activities including turkeys, food, and dinner.

We encourage all parents to attend the P.E.A.C.E. trainings this month. The Nov. 7th training is part 2 of Picky Eaters and Food Sensitivity. The Nov 21st training is Safety in and Around the Home and Community, vehicles, elopement Part 1.

There are 2 sessions - 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm. Link: <https://meet.google.com/xmx-nfzc-kaf>

### Kindergarten

Our little learners have enjoyed responding to stories and describing characters. We're excited to begin answering the essential question: Why do we have rules? As we will soon begin, Unit 3 - Rules at Home and School. The 2nd trimester will lead us to beginning addition in Math. And Science we will continue our exploration of Parents and their Young!

### First Grade

Happy Fall!! 1st Graders have been working hard on adding to 20 using different math strategies. We are now moving on to subtracting using different math strategies. In ELA we have finished our unit on learning about characters in a story. We will now be learning about Our Community. Please continue to help your child practice reading at home and help them complete their homework correctly. Thank you for your support!

## Second Grade

Second graders are doing great and working hard! In reading we are starting our unit on learning all about our government and communities! In math we are continuing to work on our addition and subtraction skills with two-digit numbers. Science we are finishing up our unit on animal needs and habitats. Continue practicing math facts at home and reading every night! Thank you for all your support!

## Third Grade

Third graders have been working so hard! In Math, they finished up the unit on geometry and learning about area and perimeter. Please keep practicing multiplication and division facts at home.

**Reading Unit 3** the essential question is: Why do people participate in government? Students will summarize stories, explain information and text features, and cause and effect. **Science** is about vertebrates. We are looking forward to our Thanksgiving lunch on 11/21.

## Fourth Grade

Math- We are starting our division unit. Continue to practice multiplication facts every night!

Reading- In unit 3 government in action, students will read informational texts and fictional stories about the interactions between citizens and government.

Science- Matter is everywhere!

Writing- On November 18-20 we will be taking our Write Score Assessment Expository. Have your child show you their writing on google classroom!

## Fifth Grade

Our 5th graders are diving into some exciting new learning units!

In reading, students are about to start Unit 3: The U.S. Constitution: Then and Now, where they'll explore the essential question, "Why do laws continue to evolve?"

In writing, students are working hard on crafting strong body paragraphs with clear evidence and thoughtful elaboration, making sure not to just repeat information. Coming up on November 18th, students will take their second Write Score Assessment to see how much they've grown as writers!

In math, students are starting Unit 5: Dividing Multi-Digit Whole Numbers, and will move on to Unit 6: Understanding Division with Decimals. Don't forget to keep up with weekly i-Ready assignments! Report cards will be available soon—stay tuned!

**In Science**, we will explore the **Properties and Changes in Matter**. Stay Tuned for information about the mandatory **Science Fair Projects** requirements and due dates.

## Club Updates

### Robot LEGO Club

The Eaglebot teams Teal and Blue came in 1st and 2nd in the practice qualifier on 10/26! We are so proud of them and all their hard work.



### Garden/Green Team

Our Garden Cleanup is next Saturday, November 9th. It will be from 9am to noon. We are looking to fix some of our beds and build a couple of new beds. We will also need help in weeding and putting down our new soil. This year we are adding iguana nets in the hope to keep them out of our veggies. Garden club permission slips will go home next week as well. Each group will have 10 students. Those who are part of the garden cleanup do have first dibs.



**Our Annual Great Garden Cleanup!**

### WMPE News Crew

The newly selected news crew has been chosen and the students are getting into their groove of being on camera.

### K-Kids

K-Kids are off and running! Students are busily composing their officer campaign speeches, writing their Thankful/Kindness letters for staff, adopted classes and Veterans. K-Kids is Adopting a Platoon for the Holidays as well as prepping for Quantum House kids.

**Please SAVE the DATE - Saturday, December 14, 2024, is Wreaths Across America.**

**All Meadow Park families are invited to attend and help honor our deceased veterans by placing a wreath or stone following the ceremony. A flyer will be coming home to you within the next two weeks.** If you are interested in participating, please return the flyer to Ms. D'Angelo in order to be eligible to participate in this incredible event and continue this school tradition. There is no charge for this event, however you must transport your child to and from the ceremony.

**We hope to see you and your family there!!!**

### Event Information

**Date:** Saturday, December 14th, 2024

**Location:** South Florida National Cemetery  
6501 S State Rd 7



Lake Worth, FL 33449

**Time:** 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Dress Code:** Red, white or blue school polo shirts or K-Kids T-shirt. Black, blue, or khaki school bottoms. Closed toe shoes.

**\*\* According to cemetery policy, the following attire is considered not appropriate or allowed for participation in the Wreath Ceremonies:**

- Ripped/patched clothing
- Athletic wear
- Shorts of any kind (except when part of an established uniform)
- Tee shirts (except when part of an established uniform)
- Tank/Halter tops
- Shirts that expose the midriff or miniskirts

If you wish to sponsor a wreath, please email [JoAnne.D'Angelo@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:JoAnne.D'Angelo@palmbeachschools.org)

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## Dual Language



# School Advisory Council

Please join us for our November 12 meeting.



Event Information

## SAC (School Advisory Council) Meeting

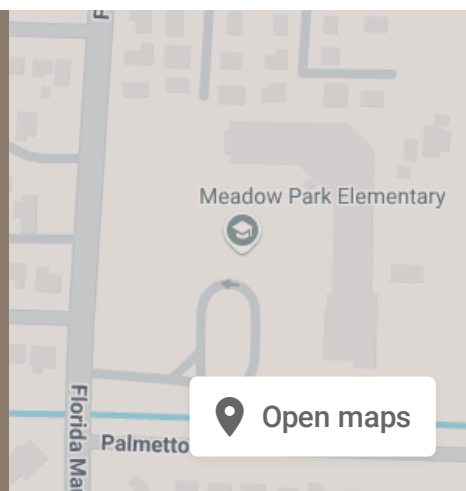
Join us in the Media Center at 5:30 p.m.

When?

**Tuesday, Nov 12, 2024, 05:30 PM**

Where?

**Meadow Park Elementary, Florida Mango Road, West Palm Beach, FL, USA**



## PTA Updates

### Fall Festival THANKS!

Thank you to all of our community and families who came out to support our school!

PTA has a few special shout-outs to give:

🎉 Thank to our decorations committee, led by Maria Reyes, for once again exceeding our expectations with the beautiful balloon decor.

🎉 A very special thank you to our Kindergarten parent, Krystle Volcy and her mother for creating our awesome Candy Monsters!

🎉 Thank you to all the parents who donated candy, it really helped with all of the trunk or treating!

🎉 Congratulations to Kindergarten for winning the most candy donations! They won an ice cream party!

🗣️ Shout out to the Moxley family for creating and donating that beautiful gift basket full of goodies that went to the the winning trunk "creepy circus" made by the Martin family!

🙏 Thank you to the McAfee and Huggins families for your help and donations!

🎉 Congratulations to all of the costume contest winners and thank you to all of the families and kids that participated!

🙌👩🏫 Thank you to all of the teachers who came out to volunteer and also create trunks- your students were so happy to see you!

🙏 Thank you to all the parent and student volunteers who came out to assist anywhere and everywhere we asked.

🙏👩🏫 A special thank you to Mrs. Higley, Ms. White, Mrs. Haag and Officer Diaz for coming out and helping PTA with everything from start to end.

🙏 Thank you to all the parents who came out to help pop popcorn for us in October. This community is beautiful. PTA couldn't do this without all of you!

📅 Please mark your calendars for our next General PTA meeting on Tuesday, November 12th at 6:30pm in the Media Center

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## AVID Updates

As the first trimester is finishing, please help your Eagles organize their AVID binders. Encourage your child to go through each folder and remove old work that can be discarded. Also, check to see that your child has plenty of supplies such as pencils ready to use. This is a great way for our students to practice AVID's organization skills!



Advancement via Individual  
Determination

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## Character Now!



With October & Red Ribbon Week behind us, we are looking forward to November!!! On Wednesday, 11/6, Ms. Hernandez will announce all our October: Respect certificate & brag-tag earners! We are so excited to see who all will be chosen! For the month of November, we will be focusing on "Being Honest & Trustworthy". During our weekly guidance lessons the students will learn the importance of honesty & trustworthiness & why living this way is the way to go!

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## New Worlds Reading Initiative

For those unfamiliar: What is New Worlds Reading?

Created by the Florida legislature in 2021 and administered by the UF Lastinger Center for Learning, New Worlds Reading is Florida's free at-home literacy program for VPK - 5th graders in VPK programs and public and charter schools who are not yet reading on grade level.

### Eligibility Information

Eligible students receive nine free books and reading activities each school year through fifth grade, even if their reading scores improve. Families choose books they want to receive to spark their child's interest in reading, and the activities reinforce science of reading strategies to help students strengthen their skills. Select books will be available in Spanish, Haitian Creole, Braille, or large print.

- For students in VPK:
  - scoring below the 40th percentile on FAST Star Early Literacy/Reading.
- For students in grades K-2:
  - scoring below the 40th percentile on FAST Star Early Literacy/Reading or receiving Tier 2 or Tier 3 Reading Intervention Support (as reported by districts in Survey 2 and Survey 3).
- For students in grades 3 – 5:
  - scoring below Level 3 on FAST assessments or receiving Tier 2 or Tier 3 Reading Intervention Support (as reported by districts in Survey 2 and Survey 3).

### Enrollment Information

Parents must enroll their children using the [Enrollment Link](#).

New Worlds Reading Family Overview 2024

**Families: Meet  
New Worlds Reading!**



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## Choice Applications Available November 4

Missed Showcase of Schools? Find Out More About Choice & Career Programs Ahead of Application Window

**The 2024 Showcase of Schools Featured Hundreds of Choice and Career Opportunities Throughout the District**



Thousands of people came out to the South Florida Fairgrounds for the 2024 Showcase of Schools! This event is an opportunity for parents and students to learn more about the 330+ Choice and Career programs in the Palm Beach County School District.

[Click here to watch a recap of the event.](#)

Missed the event? No problem! [Click here to learn more.](#)

The Choice application for the 2025-2026 school year will be available Monday, November 4, 2024 at [www.mypbchoiceapp.com](http://www.mypbchoiceapp.com).

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## Contact Information

Please ensure your child's teacher has your most up-to-date contact information. Parents can modify their contact information right in the SIS Gateway.



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# November is...



- Florida Family Engagement in Education Month
- Native American Heritage Month
- Early Childhood Mental Health Awareness Month
- National Family Literacy Month
- Child Safety and Protection Month
- National Homeless Youth Awareness Month
- Holocaust Education Week (Nov. 4-8)
- National STEM Day (Nov. 8)
- Veterans Day (Nov. 11)
- National School Psychology Week (Nov. 11-15)
- American Education Week (Nov. 18-22)
- Future Teachers of America Day (Nov. 20)
- Education Support Professionals Day (Nov. 20)
- National Parental Involvement Day (Nov. 21)
- Thanksgiving Break (Nov. 25-29)
- Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 28)

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## Important Documents and Links

[Meadow Park Website](#)

[Meadow Park Calendar](#)

[School District Calendar](#)

[Student and Family Handbook](#)

[Code of Conduct](#)

[Student Progression Plan](#)

[Student Technology Use](#)

[SIS Gateway](#)

[School Cash Online](#)

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## Fortify Florida

**SEE SOMETHING. SAY SOMETHING.  
DO SOMETHING.**

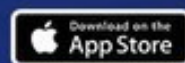


- INSTANTLY ALERT LAW ENFORCEMENT ABOUT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY & THREATS
- INCLUDE PHOTOS AND VIDEOS EASILY
- REMAIN ANONYMOUS

**Download the app today!**



**FORTIFYFL**



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## Florida Abuse Hotline

<https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/abuse/abuse-hotline>

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## District Bullying Hotline

Report Anonymously

If you or someone you know is a target of bullying, abuse, mistreatment, harassment, threat or intimidation, let us know the name of your school and as many specifics of the situation as possible. Reporting is not tattling when the intention is to alert the teacher and/or administration of any harmful acts of mistreatment toward your child or others.

**See Something, Say Something!**

[Bullying Report](#)

OR

**Call Bullying Hotline: (561) 434-8200**

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**MEADOW PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**Website:**

<https://www.palmbeachschools.org/MeadowParkElementary>

**Location:** [956 Florida Mango Road, West Palm Beach, FL, USA](#)

**Phone:** [561-357-2800](tel:561-357-2800)

**Facebook:** [facebook.com/MeadowParkEI/](https://www.facebook.com/MeadowParkEI/)

**Instagram:** [@MeadowParkEI](https://www.instagram.com/MeadowParkEI)

**Twitter/X:** [@MeadowParkEI](https://twitter.com/MeadowParkEI)



**Cassandra White**

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