

MEADOW PARK EAGLE TRIBUNE

October 2024 Edition

Letter From Mrs. Higley, Principal

Greetings Meadow Park families! As we enter the month of October we are almost one quarter of the way through the school year! All of our classrooms are up and running smoothly and there is incredible learning taking place here each and every day. Our clubs are also underway, so please be on the lookout for invitations and permission slips. A big thank you to Mrs. Berry, our Media Specialist and all of our volunteers who put on a very successful Book Fair. I know our students greatly enjoyed it and thank you to all of our families that supported us.

Please mark your calendars this month for our Annual Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction to benefit our Safety Patrols which will be taking place on Tuesday, October 15. Also, please join us on Friday, October 18 for our Annual Fall Festival where there will be games, music, trunk or treating and many fun activities for our students and families. Thank you to our wonderful PTA for organizing this exciting event!

Please be reminded that there is no school on Monday, October 14. Please read on for important information, and I look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming events!

Sincerely,

Sabrina Higley

Updates from Ms. White, Assistant Principal

October is National School Principals Month

October is National School Principals Month, and it's the perfect time to express our gratitude for the incredible leadership at our school! We are so thankful for Mrs. Higley's dedication, vision, and



support for our students, staff, and community.

This month, let's take a moment to celebrate the positive impact Mrs. Higley has on our school environment. Her hard work ensures our children thrive and feel safe and inspired every day. If you have a moment, please consider sharing a kind note or message of appreciation!

Picture Day

Individual Picture Day is scheduled for Tuesday, October 22.

- Students are to wear school uniforms as this picture will be used for our yearbook and ID badges. No spirit shirts or PE uniforms should be worn.
- All students in PreK - 5th will get their photo taken, regardless of a package purchase.
- All photo packages are prepaid. Please look for fliers to come home shortly, or order directly at this link <https://ppay.us/RpEh>
- Parent volunteers make this event go smoothly! If you are able to assist, please email Ms. White, cassandra.white@palmbeachschools.org. Thank you!



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Updates from Mrs. Haag, SSCC

We have many grade level activities that have been planned to celebrate Hispanic Heritage month. Our 5th grade students are researching and presenting a Wax Museum for the 2nd-4th grade classes next Friday, October 11th. Please be sure to complete the Activities Permission Form so that your child can participate. 🤖

Students in kindergarten through 5th grade have all begun their second reading unit focusing on characters, events and plot of stories. As you continue to read with your children at home you can support them by asking questions about how and why characters act or react within the stories they are reading; where the story takes place and how that setting might affect the character's actions in the story or how the character may change from the beginning of a book to the end.

Students in 3rd through 5th grade are also working on their typing skills with the Typing Club app on their portal. These skills are necessary to become proficient in typing for online assessments such as the State Writing assessment for all 4th and 5th grade students this spring.

Title I Updates

POSTPONED! Parent Training #2: Helping your Child with Mathematics Using Manipulatives

Families,

Due to the unsettled weather over the next few days, the parent training scheduled for Tuesday will be postponed. Please look for a rescheduled date soon!

What: Title I Parent Training #2: Helping your Child with Mathematics using Manipulatives

When: RESCHEDULED DATE ANNOUNCED SOON!

Where: Meadow Park Elementary Media Center

Hope to see you there!



You're Invited!

Title I Parent Training #2: Helping your Child with Mathematics Using Manipulatives



**Don't
Miss It!**

Tuesday, Oct. 8, 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 #2:

Cómo ayudar a su hijo con las matemáticas usando materiales manipulativos



¡No te lo pierdas!

martes 8 de octubre 

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!

PTA Updates

Good morning Meadow Park families! **Trunk or Treat Fall Festival** is 3 weeks away and PTA has an amazing night planned for your family! 🎃👻🕷️

Date: Friday, October 18th
 Time: 6pm-8pm
 Location: MPES K-1 car loop and outdoor stage area
 Prices: \$10 per kid (ages 3-17), \$5 per adult (ages 18 and up)
 & 2 and under- FREE

PRICES WILL INCREASE DAY OF EVENT!

Included in your ticket:

- 🎃 Trunk or treat bag and glow ring
- 🎧 DJ dance party
- 🎨 Trunk decorating contest with prize
- 👗 Costume contest for kids with awards
- 🎮 GAMES: Carnival style inflatable games, pumpkin bean bag toss, witches hat hoop toss, connect 4 & bottle ring toss
- 🎈 Balloon artist
- 💡 Glow in the dark tattoos and hair dying station
- 🛠️ Craft table with take away craft
- 📷 Photo opp areas

Pizza meals will be available for pre-purchase and at the event (while supplies last)

Bring extra money for:

- 🍿 Popcorn (proceeds go to Robotics Club)
- 🍷 Kona ice
- 🍕 Pizza (proceeds go to Safety Patrols), drinks, chips (if not pre-purchased)

Please see link below for:

- 🎫 Tickets
- 🎨 Decorating a trunk (4 free entries included)
- 👤 Volunteer opportunities (set up, clean up, running a booth)
- 🍬 Candy donations

<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/trunk-or-treat-fundraiser-temp-127>
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Check out the video of our Candy Monsters! They're getting ready for the Fall Festival's Trunk or Treat!

Candy Monster Short

BRING IN YOUR DONATIONS NOW BEFORE OCTOBER 18



Grade Level Updates

Pre-K and VPK

PK had a fun week exploring Community Helpers. We had visits from a nurse, a mail carrier, the fire department, and police officers. Thank you to all the volunteers who took the time to come share with our students. Next week PK begins unit 3 - Color, Shape, Size. We will work on classifying by colors, shapes, and sizes. We will continue working on following our rules/commitments and calm breathing. This week the calm breathing is Balloon Breathing. Please practice it at home and use it when needed.



Community Helpers

A visit from PB Fire Department



Community Helpers

Our very own Officer Diaz shows students his patrol vehicle



Community Helpers

Thanks for keeping us safe, Officer Diaz!

Kindergarten

Our Kindergarten learners are displaying great independence and excitement for school. We are proud to see so many routines and procedures being followed responsibly. In reading we are learning about characters and answering the essential question, How are Characters different? In Math we are comparing numbers. In Science we are discovering the needs of animals and plants. Please continue to support your child's independence by helping them to learn to log in to the computer and to tie their shoes with a double knot. Thank you!

First Grade

In reading we are learning about characters. In Math we are learning different strategies to help us add or subtract. In Science we are learning about living and nonliving things. We are getting ready to go on our first field trip! We are going to the Zoo on Tuesday 10/8/24!

Second Grade

In reading we are learning about how characters face challenges. We are learning this by finding the theme in stories, summarizing and character's perspectives. Please read to your child every night for 20 minutes. In math we are learning to add and subtract numbers up to 100 and the different strategies we can use to find the sum. Your child may do iReady math and reading at home for extra practice. Thank you for your continued support!

Third Grade

In Reading, third grade will be working on how characters' decisions impact the story, plot, theme and summarizing. Please have your child do 20 minutes of I-ready reading daily at home. Math is

all about multiplication and division. Keep practicing multiplication facts! The next unit is Geometry and learning facts about shapes. We have a field trip to the Mounts Botanical Garden on 10/30 to learn about plant life cycles and what plants need to survive. Third graders continue to follow the Eagle Way.

Fourth Grade

In reading, we are starting Unit 2. Students will make connections to characters' actions, summarize the key events of a story, use details about characters and events from two texts to compare and contrast a stated theme, and explain how rhyme, structure, and imagery create meaning in a poem. Our test date will be October 22nd.

In math, we will be multiplying multi-digit numbers by two-digit numbers using the area model or standard algorithm. Our test date will be October 28th.

In AMP Math, we will be multiplying decimals. Keep practicing IXL at home!

In writing, we are working on expository essays, as well as paraphrasing and quoting from the text. Our next Write Score assessment will be coming up in November.

BooGrams will start on October 16th. Students can send a note and a smencil to a friend!

Fifth Grade

We have successfully completed Unit 1 Reading: Cultivating Natural Resources, exploring the question "How do we decide which resources we should develop?" Students completed their Unit 1 test on 9/7. Please check your child's binder for their "Purple Data Sheet" to see their grade or Performance Matters. This week, we're busy preparing for our National Hispanic Heritage Month Wax Museum. Each student has been given a tri-fold board to complete their project, and we can't wait to see their creativity! Students are now diving into Reading Unit 2: Developing Characters' Relationships, focusing on the question "Why do we value certain qualities in people?"

In writing, we're working on making our body paragraphs strong and clear with evidence and elaboration. We're using a prompt about wildfires to explore their impact on the environment and humans.

In math, our Topic 3 test on Multiplying Multi-Digit Whole Numbers will be on 10/4. Afterward, we'll start Topic 4: Understanding Multiplication with Decimals on 10/7.

We've just concluded our exciting science unit on Adaptations and are diving into our next unit: "The Amazing Human Body." In this unit, your child will explore the fascinating world of human anatomy. Students will learn about the various organs that make up our bodies and their important functions.

Our first field trip is Tuesday, October 8th. Sons of Mysterio at the Kravis Center.

Club Updates

Robot LEGO Club

The Meadow Park Eaglebots Teal and Blue Teams have their first scrimmage on 10/6 at the Cox Science Center! They have been working hard to build the Lego designs and coding their missions. Good Luck Eaglebots!

Disney/Chorus

Thanks to all the parents who attended the parent meeting on October 1st. If you did not attend, please check ClassDojo for updates. Please remind your child to go on the Aladdin Google Classroom and listen to the soundtrack to prepare for role auditions this week!

WMPE News Crew

News crew auditions will be held next week.

Spaghetti Dinner

Dear Meadow Park Families:

Our Annual Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction will be on Tuesday, October 15th.



All proceeds go towards our Safety Patrols and their trip to Washington D.C.

Each dinner is \$10 and it includes pasta, roll, salad, and a drink.

We will have two seating times:

5:00-6:00 p.m.

6:00-7:00 p.m.

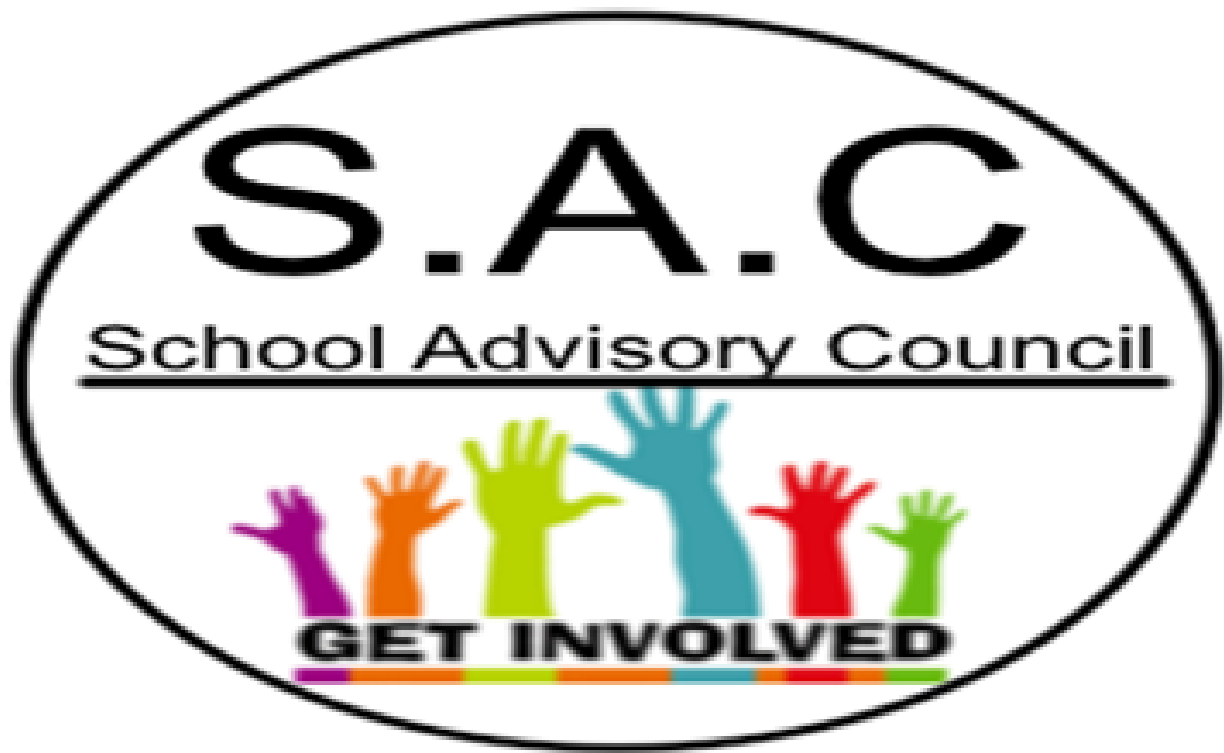
To-Go dinners will also be available.

We will also have great items at our Silent Auction.

We look forward to seeing everyone during this event. We can't thank you enough for your support.

School Advisory Council

There is no SAC Meeting scheduled for October. Please join us for our November 12 meeting.



Event Information

SAC (School Advisory Council) Meeting

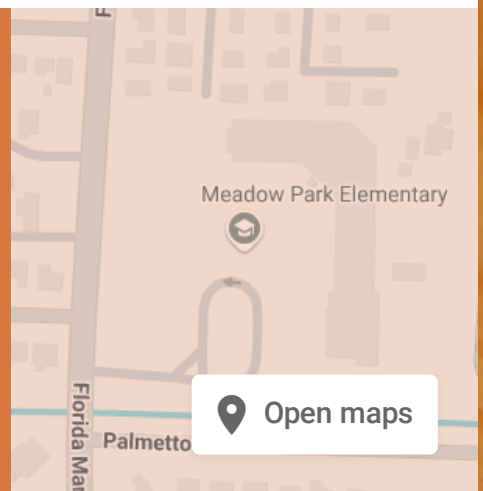
Join us in the Media Center at 5:30 p.m.

When?

Tuesday, Nov 12, 2024, 05:30 PM

Where?

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



AVID Updates

This year, we will be focusing on Inquiry, which is the process of asking questions and seeking information. The Eagles will have multiple opportunities to expand our knowledge in all content areas by participating in activities that allow us to build our knowledge through critical thinking and problem solving!



Advancement via Individual Determination

Character Now!

We are looking forward to kicking off our Character Now! program this year! And now that October is officially here, we can officially start our themed months. October is all about R-E-S-P-E-C-T! Each week during guidance class, the students will be getting an in-depth lesson all about respect & how to properly treat not only yourself, but also those around you. Treating others the way we



ourselves would like to be treated is the key to being respectful! We look forward to watching all our Eagles give & receive respect!!! After all, it is part of our Eagle Way!!!

Safety Updates

Morning Drop Off

Parents, PLEASE help us to keep all students safe and on time to class! If you are driving your child to school, it is imperative that you follow directions given by staff at drop off. Please pull forward as far as you can to the very end of the cones before stopping to let your child out. This helps to keep the flow of traffic moving to ensure students are getting out safely and getting to class on time. We have seen a significant increase in tardies and students being dropped off outside of permitted zones. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Electronic Devices Take Home Policy

As we continue the FY25 academic year, please review [District policy 8.124 Electronic Device Take Home](#). To ensure we remain 1:1, it is important that we adhere to the student and parental responsibilities for electronic devices. Please remember that the electronic device that is issued to the student is the property of The School Board of Palm Beach County and must be used as an educational tool. Failure to comply with the School Board's Technology Acceptable Use Policy for Students (School Board Policy 8.123) or the provisions in this Policy may result in the loss of take-home privileges on a non-discriminatory and equitable basis. The School District of Palm Beach County reserves the right to demand the immediate return of the equipment at any time.

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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Showcase of Schools

SHOWCASE OF SCHOOLS | TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024 | 4-8PM | SOUTH FLORIDA FAIRGROUNDS

Explore more than 125 elementary, middle and high schools offering Choice and Career Academy Programs. Representatives from each school will be available to provide information regarding Choice program opportunities for the 2025-2026 school year. This event is open to the public and free of charge.

The Choice application for the 2025-2026 school year will be available November 4, 2024 at www.mypbchoiceapp.com.

The 2025-2026 Choice Booklet will be released on October 22, 2024

SHOWCASE OF SCHOOLS

Charting Your Course to Success



The Expo Center at the South Florida Fairgrounds
October 22, 2024 | 4 p.m - 8 p.m.

APPLICATION OPENS NOVEMBER 4, 2024

Explore more than 125 elementary, middle, and high schools offering Choice and Career Academy Programs. Representatives from each school will be available to provide information regarding Choice program opportunities for the 2025-2026 school year. This event is open to the public, free of charge.

Visit mypbchoiceapp.com for additional information and application deadlines

**Scan QR Code
to Apply Online**



Contact Information

Please ensure your child's teacher has your most up-to-date contact information.





October is...

- National Principals Month
- Bullying Prevention and Awareness Month
- Dyslexia Awareness Month
- LGBT History Month
- Learning Disabilities Awareness Month
- Down Syndrome Awareness Month
- Custodian Appreciation Day (10/2)
- Walk & Roll to School Day (10/9)
- National School Lunch Week (10/14 – 10/18)
- Unity Day: Anti-Bullying (10/16)
- National Teen Driver Safety Week (10/20 – 10/26)
- National School Bus Safety Week (10/21 – 10/25)
- Lights On Afterschool Day (10/24)

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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Florida 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

MEADOW PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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

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