



# Northmore Elementary School

A Title 1, Dual Language School | A Choice School of the Arts  
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Mr. Cory A. Heath-Friess  
Principal

## Panther Parent News

April 2025 Edition

Ms. Cindy Pedraza  
Assistant Principal



# Message from Administration



Greetings Panther Families,

The 2024-2025 school year has been flying by! We are now entering the two most important months of your children's educational careers. Since the beginning of the year, your children have been learning reading, writing, math, science and social studies from our expert instructional staff! Each and every child has shown a lot of growth since school started in August 2024.

 **It is now time for your children to SHINE!** 

There are many ways that parents/guardians can help their children succeed before they begin taking their mandatory state tests. Below are some simple things you can do at home to help your child succeed.

- Make sure that your child is at school no later than 8:00 a.m. daily (unless your child is sick - then keep your child at home to recover).
- Allow your child to remain in school all day. Minimize early pickups.
- Check your child's homework daily. Students have homework every Monday - Thursday.
- Make sure that your child gets at least 8 hours of sleep each night. You may have to take away their phones or electronic devices before bed.
- If your child is in tutorial, please make sure that your child is attending.
- Promote positivity with your child by praising them each morning and each evening. Encourage them to always try their best!
- Keep in communication with your child's teacher(s) and never be afraid to ask them a question.

**By working together, we know that our students WILL ACHIEVE on their mandatory state tests!**

What is our school goal? To earn a higher **"B"** letter grade as per the Florida Department of Education's requirements.

*Mr. Cory A. Heath-Friess* , Principal  
*Ms. Cindy Pedraza* , Assistant Principal

# Events and Reminders



## SAC MEETING

Our SAC Meeting for the month of April has been canceled.

Our next SAC Meeting will be on:

Monday, May 12, 2025  
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.



Friday  
April 18, 2025

# STATE TEST



## Kindergarten - 2nd Grade



**Tuesday, April 15, 2025**  
Kindergarten Reading

**Wednesday, April 16, 2025**  
1st Grade Reading

**Thursday, April 17, 2025**  
2nd Grade Reading

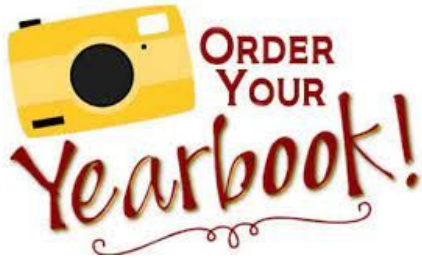
**Tuesday, April 22, 2025**  
Kindergarten Math

**Wednesday, April 23, 2025**  
1st Grade Math

**Thursday, April 24, 2025**  
2nd Grade Math

**3rd - 5th Grades take their state tests in May!**

# Additional School Information & Events



## Cost:

\$20.00 per book  
Cash or Check Accepted

## Order Due Date

April 4, 2025

Please contact Ms. Andrews or Ms. McAfee, Yearbook Advisors, if you have any questions.



## FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2025

8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. in the Media Center

Meet the Principal, Mr. Heath-Friess!

Tour the School!

Learn about our Dual Language Program!

Receive a Kindergarten Readiness Kit!



### Parents **MUST** bring:

- Two proofs of residency
- Child's birth certificate
- Immunization records
- Child's physical



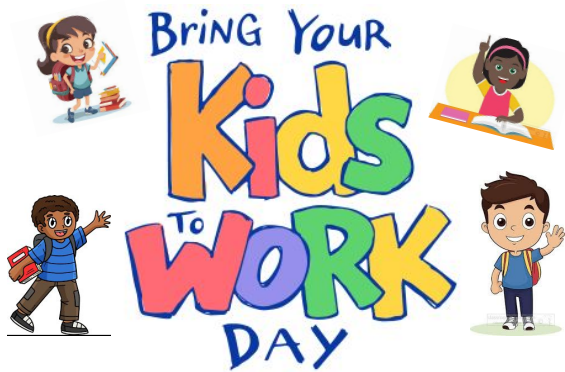
FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. FortifyFL was created and funded by the 2018 Florida Legislature as part of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act.



# GO HOME

Monday, April 14, 2025

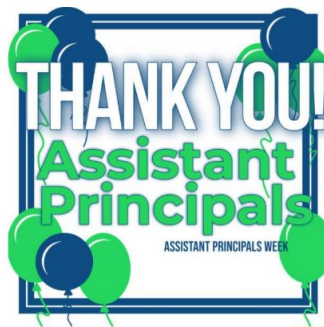




**Thursday**  
**April 24, 2025**

### Attention Parents!

If you wish to bring your child to work with you on April 24, please send a note with your child to school so that your child will be marked as having an excused absence.



**Monday**  
**April 7, 2025**

**Friday**  
**April 11, 2025**

Please join us in celebrating our AMAZING administrators from April 7 - April 11 for all that they do for our school! Consider making them a card or a small gift as a token of gratitude for them!



**Ms. Pedraza**  
**Assistant Principal**



**Mr. Watkins**  
**SSCC**



**Mrs. Granger**  
**SSCC**

# March 2025 Teacher and Employee of the Month



Ms. Ma. Lourdes Celine Paddayuman joined the Northmore Family this school year as a 4th Grade ELA Teacher! Ms. Paddayuman is an exchange teacher who taught many years in the Philippines before coming to the State of Florida. Because of her various experiences, Ms. Paddayuman is able to incorporate instructional techniques from her culture into the classroom when teaching her students. This has caused her students to grow in their academics exponentially from the beginning of the school year! In her free time, Ms. Paddayuman loves traveling throughout the USA to learn about and explore the rich cultures.



Ms. Jasmine Thomas has been a member of the Northmore Family for 2 years. During this time, Ms. Thomas has served as a 3rd Grade ELA Academic Tutor. In this position, Ms. Thomas works alongside her cooperating teacher to provide strong academic instruction to her students in small group instruction. Ms. Thomas has proven herself to be a rockstar educator who is able to meet the academic needs of her students. You will always find her providing instructional support in the classroom. One fun fact about Ms. Thomas is that she went to Northmore in elementary school!