



Lake Myrtle Elementary

December 7, 2016

Good Afternoon Turtle Families,

I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving break! We are currently in our second quarter of school and getting close to finishing our first semester. I am getting to know the teachers, students and families. I have been sending home weekly phone messages with updates about things that are happening at our school. I hope you have found that helpful. I have enjoyed meeting several of you at some of our events that we have had since October. Those include our Character Parade, Veteran's Day Celebration, Family Dance and Boosterthon Fun Run. We have many more events coming up. Stay tuned for details!!
~Megan Hermansen

Importance of Daily Attendance

Our goal this year is to ensure that every student attends school regularly. Showing up for school on time and staying all day has a huge impact on a student's academic success. We realize some absences are unavoidable due to health problems or other circumstances. But, we also know that when students miss too much school, regardless of the reason, it can cause them to fall behind academically. We ask that every family make attendance a daily priority to support your child's academic success.

PTA Boosterthon Fundraiser/Fun Run:

Thank you to all of our families who pledged money to our school and turned out for our Fun Run on November 18th. A big thank you to all of our volunteers. We will be collecting the money soon. We are trying to reach our goal of \$20,000 to enhance technology and provide student programs. We will let you know how we did soon!

Boundary Meeting Information:

Information has been sent home regarding our school boundaries changing for next year. We will be gaining additional students next school year. We will keep you informed as more information is shared.

FSA/FCAT Testing:

Students in grades 3-5 will be participating in the state-wide assessments during the below window. Studies show students perform better when they take the assessment on the assigned day with their peers. Attendance during testing dates are very important for all students. More information and specific dates will be shared soon.

4 th and 5 th Grade Writing	2/27/17 – 3/03/17
3 rd Grade ELA (reading)	3/28/17 – 4/07/17
4 th and 5 th Grade ELA (reading)	4/10/17 – 5/12/17
3 th , 4 th and 5 th Grade Math	4/10/17 – 5/12/17
5 th Grade FCAT Science	5/01/17 – 5/05/17

PTA Holiday Shop:

Students will be able to purchase gifts for friends and family during a scheduled class time during the week of December 12-16. Every item costs \$2.00 Please look for information to come home soon!

Calendar

- ❖ December 6th- 2nd grade music show @LOL Rec Center 6:30 pm
- ❖ December 11th-Flapjack 5k and 1 mile run
- ❖ December 22nd -Last Day of Quarter 2
- ❖ December 23rd -No School, Teacher Planning Day
- ❖ December 23rd -January 8th - Winter Break
- ❖ January 9th- Students and teachers return to school
- ❖ January-Report Cards
- ❖ January 26th -Family Spirit Night @ Jersey Mike's 4-7 pm
- ❖ February 17th- Family Movie Night-TBA
- ❖ February 23rd- Family Spirit Night @Jersey Mikes 4-7 pm