

# Osceola Elementary School

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## Paw Prints



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♥️ Fri. 2/16 PTO Sweetheart Social 5:30-7:30 No admission cost ♥️

### Students of the Week

Congratulations to the following students who were chosen as Student of the Week for their class during the week of February 5<sup>th</sup>-February 9<sup>th</sup>.

#### Pre K

Layla Kinlaw, Sophia Lee, Victoria White, Keanu Worthen, Caliyah Scott, Claire Lee, Brant Cramer

#### Kindergarten

Elena Solitario, Gabriel Parham, Adyn Jones, Chance Owens, Austyn Ford, Micah Hilliard, Jaylen Mitchell

#### First Grade

Keanu Wilkerson, Elianna Williams, Gavin Allman, Gregoria Miranda, Kiera Allen, Taylor Martin

#### Second Grade

Ashlynn Pierce, Teagan Fox, Olivia Herndon, Jaion Willis, Shamar Williams

#### Third Grade

Sarah Whiddon, Mavis Bamberg, Otto Middelstadt, Quin Winchester, Micah Mazzotto, Zoe Benna, Cameron Martin

#### Fourth Grade

Sofia Diaz, Brandon Shively, Hannah Hollis, Madison Roth, Kaiala Wilkerson

#### Fifth Grade

Eva Batignani, Jacob Boland, Henry Nissen, Walker Sawyer

### Wildcat Words

Hello Wildcat families!

As we make our way into the middle of February, we have an exciting week ahead of us!

This week, we will be hosting an FSA Night for our 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents on Thursday evening beginning at 5:30 pm. Information regarding the FSA English/Language Arts and FSA Math test will be given to students and their families, with the FSA Writing portion of the assessment also being discussed with 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade families. All parents will then also have the opportunity to take the FSA practice test so that they can actually experience what taking the FSA is like. The tentative spring testing schedule is also posted on our website, with more information coming your way in the next few weeks. We look forward to seeing all of you at this informative session that will help us work together to ensure success for all of our Wildcats!

AND ...

On Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting our Sweetheart Social from 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm! Mothers and sons, dads and daughters, all are welcome to attend as we spend a special night of dancing, goodies and fun together here at Osceola. So grab those dancing shoes and come on out to celebrate Valentine's Day the Wildcat Way!

Sincerely,  
Alexandra Razgha  
Assistant Principal  
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### Attention: Clinic Needs

Our clinic is in need of

Girl's panties and shorts, Sizes 4-8.

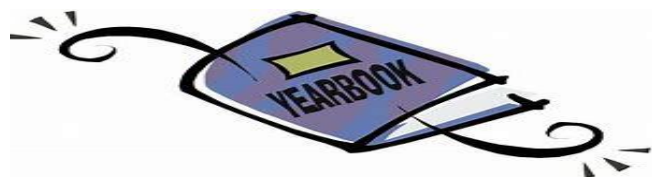
Parents of Pre-K or kindergarten students, it's a good idea to always have an extra pair of panties or clothes in your child's backpack, in

### Parenting Resources- EPIC Community Services:

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### Yearbook Pre-Sale

Parents,

Be on the look-out for Yearbook Pre-Sale fliers that will be coming home with your child on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. The pre-sale reserves your child's yearbook now so that you don't have to worry about purchasing one in a rush when the yearbooks arrive at the end of the year. The pre-sale will run through March 30<sup>th</sup>.

### Character Counts! Kids:

Congratulations to the following students who were chosen as the Character Counts Kid for their classroom for the 3rd quarter.

**Kindergarten:** Giana Crase – Blevins; JuCory Sams – Oester; Rylan Able – Sands; Emily Gonzalez – Peryam; Isabella Parkey –Walker; Shamariah Lockett –Westover

**First Grade:** Maci Siembieda – Bailey; Amelia Purdy – Fehrs; Wyatt Summa – Jahren; Theresa Pease – Furlong; Jacob Fontaine – Greear; Yariel Viera Guzman – Howard

**Second Grade:** Atila Almeida – Allen; Laney Moore – Fouraker; Ava Tomlinson – Hunting; Avery Keller – Highman; Finn Stewart – Beltzner; Hannah Smith – Baker

**Third Grade:** Tess LeJeune – Foley; Chloe Hollingsworth – Keller; Samerra Lyons – Cousins; Avery Burress – McManus; Nola Carr – Pappas; Caden Simmons – Whelan; Ryan Ausili

**Fourth Grade:** Grace Lin – Midgett; Mac Jones – Asselta; John Wilkin – Smeland; Madison Roth – Worthy; Dustan Dubose – Betsey

**Fifth Grade:** Akeelia Stewart – Glennon; Gabriel Noseworthy-Blum; Ava Stewart-Hughes ;Reagan Winchester-Marquez

**Mr.Diem:** Mikajah White

**Ms. Giordano:** Kaidrin Willis



## What's Happening?

Every Wednesday is Early Release~

Students Dismissed at 1:50

Every Friday is School Spirit Day~

Fri. 2/16 PTO Sweetheart Social 5:30-7:30

No admission cost

Mon. 2/19 President's Day - Student / Teacher Holiday

Thurs. 2/22 Chick Fil-A Spirit Night 5:30-7:30

## Osceola SAC Team, PTO News

The Osceola SAC Team (School Advisory Committee) is made up of our principal, Mrs. Waldrop along with a group of teachers, parents, support staff and community members. The SAC is responsible for decisions related to the implementation of Osceola's School Improvement Plan. SAC also discusses important items related to student achievement.

If you are interested in becoming a part of the ongoing improvement at Osceola, please join us at our SAC meeting

## GO FOR IT! Join Girls on the Run and learn how to unleash your limitless potential!

### Open for girls in 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades

Girls on the Run inspires girls to be joyful, healthy and confident using fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running. Over the course of the program, girls will develop and improve **competence**, feel **confidence** in who they are, develop strength of **character**, respond to others and oneself with **care** and **compassion**, create positive **connections** with peers and adults, and make a meaningful **contribution** to community and society.

**Registration opened: January 11<sup>th</sup> at 6am**

**Registration closes: February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Lessons will be every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:15-4:30 beginning February 13<sup>th</sup> and ending April 26<sup>th</sup>.**

## School Access Forms

In a continuing effort to provide safety and security to our students and staff we ask that you complete a School Access Form if you plan to visit Osceola during the school year. This includes participating in activities such as birthday parties for your child in their classroom, eating lunch with your child in the cafeteria, attending field trips, book fairs, field days, conferences, as well as reading to students, tutoring, mentoring, etc.

You can find the link to the School Access Form on our website or copy the link below. We also have paper forms in the front office. <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/volunteer/>

Remember: processing may take up to several weeks. Do not wait until the last minute to apply.

If you have questions or need further information, please call Mrs. Lawshe in the front office at 547-3780. Thank You.

## What's for Lunch??

**Students have a choice of one entrée and two fruit and/or vegetable choices. Choice of milk is served with all complete meals.**

**Mon 2/12** Chicken Quesadilla Max, Max Cheese Sticks, Chicken Nuggets, Garlic Toast, Baby Carrot Dippers, Green Beans, Steamed Broccoli, Marinara Dipping Sauce, Assorted Fruit, Dipping Sauce Dunk Cup, Taco Sauce

**Tues 2/13** Cheese or Pepperoni Calzonette, Home-style Chicken Sandwich, Mini Corn Dogs, Cherry Tomato and Celery Dippers, Spinach and Romaine Salad, Baked Beans, Marinara Dipping Sauce, Assorted Fruit, Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo

**Wed. 2/14** Chicken Nuggets, Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza, Corn, Cherry Tomato and Celery Dippers, Broccoli Floret Dippers, Fresh Apple Slices, Assorted Fruit, White Wheat Roll, Dipping Sauce

**Thurs 2/15** Chicken Nuggets, Cheese Pizza, Pepperoni Pizza, Fresh apple slices Assorted fruit, Broccoli Floret dippers, Corn tomato & Celery Dippers, WG roll

**Fri 2/16** BBQ Chicken, Cheeseburger, Mini Corn Dogs, Cherry Tomato and Celery Dippers, Broccoli Floret Dippers, Crispy Baked Potato Fries, Choice of 100% Juice, Assorted Fruit, Garlic Toast, Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo, Lettuce, Tomato and Pickle, Dipping Sauce

## AVID News

### Costa's Levels of Thinking and Questioning:

This week we will review information about the WICOR strategy of inquiry. Costa's levels of thinking and questioning can be used to ask students higher level questions and develop their ability to think critically. Costa's Levels of Questions can be asked in all subject areas and are used in every classroom at Osceola. A level one question requires a student to gather information. A level two question requires a student to process information. The most rigorous type of question is a level three question. This type of question requires students to apply information.

Overview of the Levels of Thinking:

Level 1 - Readers can point to one correct answer right in the text.

Level 2 - Readers infer answers from what the text implicitly states, finding answers in several places in the text.

Level 3 - Readers think beyond what the text states. Answers are based on reader's prior knowledge/experience and will vary.

Students in lower level grades are focusing on identifying the level of a question that they are being asked. In the upper level grades, students will learn how to write their own leveled questions in addition to being able to identify the level of a question.

### FSA Parent Night

#### **Grades 3 - 5**

**Thursday, February 15, 2018**

5:30 - 6:30pm at Osceola Elementary

Please join us for an informational night regarding the Math, Science, Reading and Writing portions of The Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). We would like to provide you and your student with resources to help prepare for FSA. We hope to see you there!

### Interpreter Requests:

If you are in need of an interpreter for an event at Osceola, we ask you to send a request in writing at least two weeks in advance to the date of your event. We will do our very best to secure an interpreter, but need your help in asking to notify us as far in advance as you can to assure we are able to have an interpreter in place. Please communicate these requests with your child's teacher and they will pass them on to the office for processing.

We also ask your consideration and let us know ASAP should you need to cancel a prearranged interpreter. This is an additional expense to the SJCSO so we appreciate you helping us to be conscious of these costs.

### Extended Day Program

Parents, did you know we have After School Child Care right here on the Osceola Campus? We have a great program designed to be fun, educational and age appropriate. Our program is open at 7 am for Early Morning Care, every day school is open, and for After-School care, it closes daily at 6:00 pm. There is a variety of childcare options to choose from. For more information, please contact Heather O'Mara, Extended Day Coordinator at 547-3789, or [Heather.OMara@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Heather.OMara@stjohns.k12.fl.us).

### CHILD FIND

#### **Is looking for some very special children, birth-5years of age.**

Do you have concerns about your child's ability to speak, understand, move/play, see, hear, get along with other children, pay attention, or dress and feed themselves? If so, **CHILD FIND** may be able to help you. **CHILD FIND** provides free information about community programs for children with special needs. They provide professional consultations, screening, and assistance in placing children with special needs in appropriate exceptional student education programs or other early intervention services. Contact **FDLRS/NEFEC CHILD FIND**, 386-329-3811 or Toll Free 1-800-227-6036, Email [ChildFind@nefec.org](mailto:ChildFind@nefec.org). Check out the website: [www.nefec.org/fdlrs](http://www.nefec.org/fdlrs). Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FLDRS) and North East Florida Educational Consortium (NEFEC) serve St. Johns and surrounding Counties, plus the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind.

### Guidance Corner

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**CLOTHING CLOSET** open to families on Tuesdays from 1:00-2:40. Gently used clothing and shoes are available free to families. Donations of children's clothing appreciated. If your child is in need and you are unable to come, please contact Ms. Harrison at 547-3787.

**GIFTED SCREENING:** One of our district missions is to provide the most appropriate education for all of our students, including Gifted learners. Gifted programs are designed to provide challenge and optimal social-emotional interactions and growth. If you feel your child might be intellectually 'Gifted', please contact Ms. Harrison, counselor at 547-3787. A permission for screening will be sent home and results will be shared with you. If a Gifted referral is warranted, your child will be tested by our school psychologist to see if criteria is met for the program.