

# Reptile Review

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## Important Dates

**December 3-5**  
Penguin Place Open

**December 4**  
National Beta Ceremony

**December 5**  
3rd, 4th, 5th Grade Field  
Trip WCPAC

"Nutcracker Suite"  
Musical @ 6:45pm



**December 8**  
Avalon Aglow @ 5:00pm

**December 12**  
SAC Meeting @ 8:00am

**December 14**  
All Pro Dad 8:45-9:15am  
School Mall

**December 20**  
Reading Celebration

### Holiday Spirit Days

Join in the excitement of the season

**Monday Dec. 17** - Holiday Hat Day-  
Wear hat

**Tuesday Dec. 18** - Reindeer Day- Wear  
brown

**Wednesday Dec. 19** -Pajama Day-  
Wear school appropriate pajamas

**Thursday Dec. 20** - Candy Cane Day-  
Wear red and white

**Friday Dec. 21** - Holiday Shirt Day-  
Wear your favorite holiday shirt



**Dec. 22-Jan. 7**  
**No School**  
**Winter Break**  
**Students Return on**  
**January 8th**

## Principal's Message

It is hard to believe that we are almost half way through the school year! This year at NRES has been a great one, with lots of accomplishments and successes to celebrate! On December 20<sup>th</sup>, we will be having our mid-year Reading Counts Celebration. This celebration recognizes the students who follow through with their reading goals through their independent reading. On Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm, our NRES ORFF will perform at Avalon Aglow in Avalon Park West. Our Snow Globe Shoppe is off to a great start thanks to our NRES PTA and Mrs. Pabst! We've had lots of volunteers and we appreciate you all!

In November, we had a busy month with our Great American Teach-In! A special thanks to those who came to share their career with our Reptiles! We also had a successful Scholastic Book Fair thanks to our volunteers, again! We appreciate you all!

During Winter Break please take time to enjoy your family, remember to read, and we will see you ready to learn in 2019!

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### Mid Year Reading Celebration

**December 20, 2018**

At New River, reading is a priority for student success! All students need to read books at their independent level, complete reading logs, and respond as their teacher assigns. All students who fulfill independent reading requirements will attend the reading celebration events based on the amount of books they have read independently. Students will have a picnic lunch with their class that day. They may purchase their lunch from the cafeteria or bring a lunch from home.

### Reading Celebration Events:

- Level 1 - Reindeer Games
- Level 2 - Candy Cane & Karaoke
- Level 3 - Blizzard Bingo
- Level 4 - Penguin Play
- Level 5 - Snowman Melt
- Level 6 - A Very Merry Minute to Win It

**\*\*Be sure to ask your child about his/her IRLA level and power goal!**



## Music News

The 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade musical "The Nutcracker Suite" will be performed on December 5<sup>th</sup> at 7p.m. Families and students should arrive at WCHS by 6:45p.m. to prepare for the performance. Admission is free so bring the family! We are still in need of chaperones for the day time rehearsal field trip. If you are available from 9:30a.m. to noon and are an approved volunteer please notify Mr. Wohl immediately. [rwohl@pasco.k12.fl.us](mailto:rwohl@pasco.k12.fl.us)

The NRES Chorus & Orff Ensemble will perform at Avalon Parks "Avalon Aglow" event on 12/8. Please meet at Avalon at 4:45p.m. We will perform at 5p.m. If you can assist with transporting instruments to the stage, please notify Mr. Wohl immediately.



## All Pro Dad

Mark your calendars for Friday, December 14 at 8:45 in the morning. What for you ask? It is for All Pro Dad's breakfast held in the NRES Media Center. All Pro Dad was designed to get kids and dads to bond a little more while sharing in some breakfast.

All Pro Dad was started by the Merrill family and the Dungy family. They saw it as a way to bring families closer together. The All Pro Dad website has many valuable tools to use with your family, please go take a look. ([www.allprodad.com](http://www.allprodad.com))

Come on out and see what it is all about. If you cannot make this month, we do them every month. We only ask that you let us know you are coming so we can have enough breakfast for everyone. You can do that by calling the office (346-0500), emailing Mrs. Carlson ([lacycar@pasco.k12.fl.us](mailto:lacycar@pasco.k12.fl.us)) or going to our chapter website (<https://allprodadsday.com/chapters/2228>). Hope to see you there. Look for the flyer coming home soon!



## \*Self-Care During the Holidays\*

The holiday season can be quite a difficult and stressful time for many. That's why it's so important to **stop** and **listen** to your own needs, too! Here are some self-care ideas for December and beyond:

### #SeasonOfSelfCare

- Take a walk outside
- Write a love letter to yourself
- Write about something you are grateful for in your life (it can be a person, place, or thing)
- Create a happy playlist and a coping playlist
- Treat yourself to a favorite snack
  - Watch your favorite movie Forgive someone
- Forgive yourself
- Say thank you to someone who has helped you recently



- Create a DIY self-care kit of things that make you feel better
- Take your medication on time
- Take a new fitness class at the gym (yoga, Zumba, etc.)
- Plan a lunch date with someone you haven't seen in a while
- Pamper yourself with an at-home spa day
- Take a day off from social media and the Internet
- Reach out to your support system
- Cuddle with your pets or a friend's pet
- Take the time to stop, stand, and stretch for 2 minutes
- Wake up a little earlier and enjoy quiet time before the morning rush

**\*\*Wishing everyone a Happy Holiday Season!!\*\***

## PE News



Our Fuel Up to Play 60 team will be hosting another taste test at the school mall on December 14<sup>th</sup>.

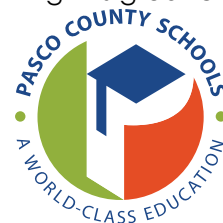
Field Day shirts will be on sale when we get back from the holiday break. The proceeds from the shirts support our reptile run program. Most of our reptiles have already finished 10 miles!! We expect to have the largest number ever earn 30, 40, or 50 mile shirts by May. Way to go, Reptiles!

The Fun Run Club is in full swing, with over 200 members running before school on Thursdays. Exercise logs are due December 14<sup>th</sup>. We love to see our students playing 60 at home!!

Enjoy your holidays and remember to encourage your child to be active!

## National Beta Club

Brand new this year, National Beta has a chapter at New River this year. The National Beta Club is the largest independent, non-profit, educational youth organization in America. And for more than 80 years, it has prepared today's students to be tomorrow's leaders. To be asked to be a member of this club, a student must be an honor roll student who upholds high standards of honesty and good citizenship. A member must have a worthy, moral and ethical character and a commendable attitude. Students who are either in 4<sup>th</sup> grade or 5<sup>th</sup> grade were nominated by their teachers to become a member of this club. We look forward to starting this great club here at school.



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