

Reptile Review

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Important Dates



October 1
PICTURE DAY
Chuck E. Cheese's Night
4-9

October 2
2-5 Karaoke Social
6:30-8:30 p.m.

October 7
Walk-To-School Day

October 9
STEAM

October 16
Student of the Month
School Mall

October 19-23 Bus
Safety Week

October 19
PDQ Night 5-8

October 23
STEAM

October 26
NO SCHOOL-
Teacher Planning

October 26-30
Red Ribbon Week

October 30
Book Character
Parade 10:00 a.m.
Trunk or Treat



Attendance

School attendance is extremely important to success in school. Regular and consistent attendance is one of the most important factors in making good grades.

Please remember that the tardy bell rings at 9:30 am and parents can pick up their students early until 3:15 pm. After this time, parents will need to wait till the end of school bell rings!

Principal's Message

Pumpkins are appearing, the air is a little cooler, and it is October! October will be a busy month at our school. Please be sure to keep the newsletter and check our website weekly for important dates and events. Congratulations to all of our students for meeting the reading challenge!

All of our students are working toward earning their Spirit Stick holder by maintaining their reading stamina. Ask them how many minutes they are able to maintain their reading stamina in the "Reading Ready Position" with "Eyes on the Page". In order to be able to give the Spirit Sticks for academic and behavior, we sell fun spirit sticks on Fridays. The cost is \$1.00 each. We have many special spirit sticks ordered.

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Trunk or Treat Festival

What: Trunk or Treat Festival
Games * Food * Fun * Treats

When: Friday, October 30, 2015 6-8 p.m.

Where: New River Elementary Bus Loop

What is Trunk or Treat? - Volunteer families will decorate their car and park it in the bus loop by 6:00 p.m. As children walk the loop, they will trunk or treat for candy that is being given. There is no charge. If you would like to volunteer, please complete the form sent home and return it to school ASAP. (Those distributing candy, must be a registered volunteer. You can register on our website - nres.pasco.k12.fl.us.)

In addition, tickets may be purchased for 50 cents each. Tickets are used to play games, do the cakewalk, food, prizes, colored hair spray, tattoos, sno-cones and more! It will be an evening of fun for the whole family. Tickets will be sold the week of October 26th with an early bonus (12 tickets for \$5.00).

We also have volunteer opportunities available at the ticket sales, cake walk, and food booth.





Good Character Parade

Friday, Oct. 30th,
10:00 a.m. at the Bus Loop

Students may dress up like a character that shows good character traits. Families are invited to come and watch. Please, remember, no scary costumes or any type of weapons are allowed.



P.E. News

We are off to a great start! Reptiles have already experienced their first two PE-Activities for the year- fun, fun, fun!!! Don't forget to fill out those exercise logs so that we can see that our reptiles are getting plenty of exercise at home too.

We are again thankful for a Fuel up to play 60 grant that has allowed us to buy equipment this year. Remember to get online at FuelUpToPlay60.com to show your support and gain important information in a fun way. At the upcoming mall, we will be having our first trail mix taste test. This table will be run by our new Fuel Up To Play 60 Team: Cameron Keehn, Justin Gutshall, Hannah Burns, Markaya Smith, Deasha Patel, Ilianis Badillo-Vazquez, Payton Furman, Charyn Maldonado, and Payton Leidy. Reptile Run is in full swing and our reptiles are already earning a chain for the first three miles and toe tokens for every three miles they run. At the end of the year we expect to give away more than three hundred Reptile Run shirts!! Morning Fun Run Club begins October 1st. The club is for 2nd- 5th graders and meets Thursday mornings at 9:00 AM.



Art News

In art class, students have been working on learning the seven elements of art. These elements are: line, shape, form, color, space, value and texture and how they all are important in creating art.

Students are now learning about the first element of art: line. The students are making connections with other subjects such as math and are learning about intersecting, parallel and curved lines. They are creating a drawing using eight or more different kinds of lines and are also adding movement and patterns to their picture. Students are adding a background, middle ground and foreground, as well as, adding colors while using thin and thick markers and outlining all of their lines.

Music News

The Karaoke Social will be held 10/2 at 6:30p.m. Tickets are \$5 and 2nd-5th grade students are invited. All tickets must be purchased by 10/1!

Preparations have begun for the 3rd, 4th, & 5th grade musical "A Kid's Life". Field trip permission forms for our day time rehearsal will be distributed shortly. The price for transportation during the day is \$3. The performance will be held 11/17 at The Wesley Chapel Performing Arts Center at WCHS starting at 7p.m. Families will transport their students for the evening performance.

Please return any remaining Chorus or polo money. If students have a polo from year that fits and is in good shape, they

have to order a new one.



All Pro Dad

What does your kid need for breakfast? You! All Pro Dad Day is a simple idea with a profound impact that can really strengthen a dad's relationship with his children. All Pro Dad was launched in 1997 by Mark Merrill with the help of Tony Dungy, former head coach of the 2006 Super Bowl champion Indianapolis Colts. All Pro Dad is built on a football theme and features more than 50 NFL players, coaches and alumni who speak out on the importance of being a good father. This month's topic is called the Power of Being Consistent. NRES started a chapter in 2010 and has been getting together ever since. All Pro Dad morning is Friday, October 23, 2015 at 8:45 a.m. in the Media Center. To RSVP for the event please go to the website: <http://www.allprodad.com/2228>. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Carlson at 346-0500. We hope to see you there!



Remember: Be Respectful, Be Safe, and Be Responsible!



**Oct. 27 –30, 2015
is Red Ribbon Week**



“RESPECT Yourself- Be Drug Free”

Tuesday –“You Score When You Say NO to Drugs”

Sports Day- Wear your favorite sports jersey or hat

Wednesday- “Don’t Hide, Stand Up Against Drugs”

Wear camouflage

Thursday – “Peace and Love- No Drugs”

Wear tie dye

Friday – “Respect Yourself— Be Drug Free”

Dress up as a respectful Character for our Good Character Parade.

(Students may dress up like a character that shows good character traits. There will be a good character parade at 10:00 a.m. in the bus loop. Families are invited to come and watch. No scary costumes or any types of weapons allowed.)

Help us RECYCLE

We work hard to recycle our paper products daily. You can help by recycling your paper items at home and dropping them off in one of our 2 community recycling green fiber containers. One is located at the front of the school and other in the back.

Lost and Found

We have a lost and found located in the cafeteria. It is that time when we begin finding many items ending up in there. Please label, with your child’s full name, all jackets, sweaters, hats and lunch boxes your child brings to school! If an item ends up in the lost and found, we will be able to return it to your child easier.

Please be sure to follow us on Twitter @NewRiverElemen to view the exciting events and learning happening at NRES!

Walk-To-School Day

October 7th is “Bike/Walk” to school day. With the support of Suncoast Safe Kids Coalition and All Children’s Hospital, and Safe Kids WORLDWIDE we will be meeting our students throughout the New River neighborhood to walk/ bike to school.

Walking and bicycling to school is a great way for kids to get exercise, and it means there are fewer cars on the road and less pollution. The long-term goal of the program is to increase walking and bicycling to make neighborhoods safer for walking and bicycling to school.

We would love to have your family join us that morning. If you don’t live in the New River Neighborhood, you can park your car up the street and walk joining the group at meeting point #3.

Meeting Point #1- Riverside Crossing & New Savannah Cr- 8:45 a.m.

Meeting Point #2- Riverside Crossing & Fish Hook Lp- 8:50 a.m.

Meeting Point #3- River Glen Blvd & Little River Way- 8:55 a.m.

NRES Garden News



On Saturday, September, 20th we had our annual Dig Day. With the help of our families, students, and staff we were able to clear all the weeds, till the dirt, and plant peppers and tomatoes. It seemed like a daunting task, but with lots of perseverance the garden is looking better than ever. Thank you again to our families that were able to attend. We couldn’t have done it without you!



Healthy Choices

We encourage all our families to make healthy choices around their children. You are their first role model and it is important for them to see you making great decisions.



PTA News



*PTA is off to a great start this year! With over 95 members, we are able to make great strides for our school. We would like to thank everyone who was able to attend our PTA meeting and spaghetti dinner. Not a member? No worries! If you would still like to join PTA please feel free to contact Lee Spadaro at fspa824@verizon.net or Lindsay Meszaros at linsnjoe2@yahoo.com.

*The following are upcoming fundraisers that we will need volunteers for. If you are interested in volunteering for either of the following events, please let a member know or keep an eye on your email as we will send out a sign up for volunteers.



Trunk or Treat- October 30th

*Volunteers will be needed to help with the PTA booths and gaming.

Applebee's Breakfast- November 14th

*Volunteers will be needed to help host, serve, and clean up. More information will follow as the event gets closer. Sales for the tickets will run from Oct 12th- 23rd.

Thank you for all you do to help our school! If you have any questions or would like to help volunteer, please contact Lindsay Meszaros at linsnjoe2@yahoo.com.

Like us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/#!/New-River-Elementary-PTA-173613739381468/timeline/>

- **Volunteer Information** Remember to apply online to be a school volunteer. You can also apply online to determine if your child can receive free or reduced lunch and breakfast. Go to the Pasco District website: www.pasco.k12.fl.us.
- Then click on the Parent tab at the top of the web page. Please feel free to come to NRES to access these online applications. Thank you!

Parent Notification
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New River Elementary
Out-of-Field Teaching Assignments

Individuals who are teaching out-of-field are certified in at least one area and are qualified to teach but are required to take additional course work or testing to add a coverage/endorsement to their certificate. The state also requires a teacher to take coursework/in-service towards and English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) endorsement, when the teacher is the primary language arts provider and/or reading teacher for an ESOL student.

The following teachers have agreed to work towards the ESOL endorsement: Aimee Ensign, Jolene Furman, Colleen Gablenz, Elizabeth Jenkins, Joseph Maloney, Jenna Reynolds, and Robin Milligan.



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