

Reptile Review



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Important Dates

April 4 Report Cards Home	April 15 Reptile Kindness Run
April 8 STEAM	School Mall
April 11 PDQ Family Night 5-8 p.m.	Exceptional Student Extravaganza 4:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
April 12 School Advisory Council 7:30 a.m.	April 22 All Pro Dad STEAM
	April 23 District STEM Fair

FSA/FCAT Dates

April 1, 4	FSA Math	Grade 3
April 11, 12	FSA Reading	Grade 4
April 11, 12	FCAT Science	Grade 5
April 18, 19	FSA Reading	Grade 5
April 25, 26	FSA Math	Grade 5

Please no visitors and volunteers on campus during these days.

For practice tests and FSA information:

<http://www.fsassessments.org>

Parents, for more information please contact your child's teacher or call Mrs. Wilkinson at (813) 346-0503.

Principal's Message

The last quarter of the 2015-16 school year is here! This quarter brings a lot of culminating activities, as well as culminating academic assessments. A good night's rest is the best way for student's to do their best academically and in all areas. Thanks for supporting their efforts by encouraging this positive behavior.

Our PTA, in cooperation with our school, is working hard to raise funds to secure a sign for the front entrance. We are very close to our goal, thank you for all of your support. All fundraisers are optional, we are just appreciative of any support given. Keep up the great work NRES!

Lynn Pabst
Principal
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Clinic News

Planning on doing some spring cleaning? Have any old children's clothes hanging around? The NRES clinic is in need of donations of clothes from sizes 5 and up. Please send these into school with your child marked clinic donation.

We know that sometimes your phone number changes, please remember to contact the school to change any number. It is difficult when a child is sick to get ahold of parents. Help us keep your children safe by updating your numbers.



Exceptional Student Extravaganza New River Elementary Autism Celebration



April 15, 2016

Extravaganza Events 4:30-8:00 p.m.

Reptile Kindness Run Awards/ Basket Bonanza Prizes Awarded 7:45 p.m.

Come join the fun at New River Elementary as we celebrate our Exceptional Students. This extravaganza benefits all of our NRES Exceptional Students, enabling us to purchase needed technology and materials. At the event you will be able to enjoy some of the following activities:

Bounce House Carnival Games/Cake Walk
Farmer's Market Basket Bonanza Local Business Vendors
Kindness Run Prizes NRES Chorus Performance

Games and Bounce Houses are FREE. Tickets will be sold at the event to purchase food and participate in the Gift Basket Bonanza, Cake Walk, and Dunk Tank

T-Shirts: \$12 pre order or \$18 day of event

[*http://nres.pasco.k12.fl.us](http://nres.pasco.k12.fl.us)

Interested in becoming a sponsor, with a product, information booth, or for monetary donations,

please contact Jon Leidy (813) 346-0500.



5th Grade News

NRES 5th grade teachers are collecting fun items for the end-of-year auction for the 5th grade students. If you would like to make a donation, they are asking for donations of gift cards, monetary donations, or any items you would like to purchase on your own. They will also take "gently used" items such as video games, if they are in 100% working condition. All purchases and donations should be age appropriate. Please contact Mrs. Jones dljones@pasco.k12.fl.us for ideas and more information.





P.E. News

We would like to give a HUGE THANK YOU to all our Field Day volunteers!! Field Day would not be possible without you!! Our New River Reptiles had a GREAT time!!

Our next event is the Fun Run, April 29. Our running club will be running one mile as a culminating event, celebrating a successful year of getting fit and having fun.

This is also the last month to run Reptile Run. Students will be trying to meet their goal of 30 miles to earn a free t-shirt. Some students are well on their way to earning 40 and 50 mile shirts!! Also, don't forget to encourage your child to exercise at home and fill in the Exercise Logs. Healthy habits started now will help with a lifetime of physical fitness!

Art News

In art class intermediate students have been busy finishing their sculptures while adding different color glazes. Our primary students have been working on drawing a realistic self portrait while using multicultural crayons. Students are also learning to blend two or more colors to create value and contrast.

Be on the look out for the Art News Letter coming home in which you will get information about the Art Show coming up on May 17th.

Thank you for your continuous support!

Music News

Chorus and Orff Disney trip transportation and meal tickets will cost \$20. If you have not paid for meal tickets yet please send \$20 as soon as possible. I will send home individual bills this week. Please ask your student for theirs! Chorus and Orff will also perform at the Exceptional Student Extravaganza on 4/15 at 7:00p.m. Please be ready at 6:45p.m.

The K/1/2 concert "Squirm" will take place on 5/3. If you have not sent the permission or \$3 please do so immediately. We can send new permission forms if needed. Please let us know if you need one. The students will travel to WCHS on 5/3 during the school day to practice. All families should bring their students to The Performing Arts Center at Wesley Chapel High school by 6:45p.m. for our evening performance. We encourage all families to join us at this concert. It is going to be great!

PENNY WARS

WHAT: Each year the school participates in a penny war to raise money for our Exceptional Student Extravaganza. This event is a fundraiser to help purchase equipment and supplies for all of our Exceptional Students and will be held on Friday, April 15th.

WHO: All Students

Each grade will have a decorated jug on the stage in the cafeteria. Remember this is a competition between grades. The grade with the most points will win a Pizza Party. The goal of the "Penny War" is to collect as many pennies as possible in your jar and put as many non-pennies in everyone else's jugs. Your money is worth "points"!

WHEN:

Now- Thursday April 14th / Bring your coins during lunch!

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

Pennies give your grade positive points while nickels, dimes, quarters, and dollars take points away. So if you see a grade with a lot of pennies inside their jug, give them some nickels, dimes, quarters, and dollars.

POINTS:

Penny +1 Nickel -5 Dime -10 Quarter -25 Dollar -100

Thank you for supporting New River and good luck!



Reptile Kindness Run

This year NRES PTA will be hosting the school's kindness run on April 15th! This means that 100% of the donations we received will stay in the school. All students will participate in the kindness run during their specials time. They will earn bracelets for each lap they run. Our goal for this event is \$15,000 and for each student to try and earn \$20.00. Prizes will be awarded for students that earn 5 or more pledges. The proceeds will go towards a new marquee sign in front of the school. Donations can be turned in daily with the deadline of April 14, 2016.



PTA April News

Happy April everyone! Our year is almost over but we aren't finished yet. The extravaganza will be held on Friday April 15th. Since this is the same day that our school will be having the Reptile Kindness Run and the school mall, we will need volunteers from 8:30 am until the extravaganza is over at 8:00 pm. In order to volunteer you must be an approved volunteer through Pasco County Schools. If you are able to help volunteer please email Lee Spadaro at fspsa824@verizon.net with your name and the time that you will be able to help. This is a big event and it is one that the kids have so much fun at. We appreciate any and all volunteers who offer their time to support our school on this day. Thank you for always supporting the PTA and supporting New River Elementary! There is still time to become a member. If you would like to find out more information please contact Lindsay Meszaros at linsnjoe2@yahoo.com.



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