



# *Elementary News*

October 2018

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## **DATELINE**

Wednesday	October 3	Multi Age Music Class 2-2:30
Thursday	October 4	K - 2 Music Class 2-2:30
Friday	October 5	Library Field Trip
Wednesday	October 10	Multi Age Music Class 2-2:30
Thursday	October 11	K - 2 Music Class 2-2:30
Friday	October 12	Library Field Trip
Monday	October 15	No School (Parent Teacher Conferences)
Tuesday	October 16	K-5th Grade Field Trip 9:30 @ Sugar & Spice Learning Center
Wednesday	October 17	Individual Pictures (LOOK YOUR BEST) <i>Non-Uniform Day</i> <i>(Please remember that we will still have Fitness - sneakers required)</i>
Thursday	October 18	K-5 Combo Music Class 2-2:30 Pizza Day (Wear your green shirt)
Friday	October 19	Library Field Trip
Monday	October 22	Finish up Pumpkins for Contest
Wednesday	October 24	3-5th grade Field Trip to Pinellas Science Center
Thursday	October 25	Pumpkins due in Great Room K-5th Grade Combo Music Class 2-2:30
Friday	October 26	Library Field Trip
Monday	October 29	Parents Judge Pumpkins in Great Room
Wednesday	October 31	Fall Festival 9-12 - <i>Non Uniform Day</i>

***Your child should come to school prepared each day!  
They should have their backpack, homework,  
folders, water bottle, and lunchbox.***

Fitness - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Music- Wednesday & Thursday

## Kindergarten/First/Second Grade

### Mrs. Amy Slutz

We ended the month of September with a field trip to the Tampa Bay History Museum. What a nice way to kick off this month's theme of Florida History. We will begin to utilize our map skills while traveling through the state to discover many fun-filled Florida facts. Later in the month please be on the lookout for information regarding your child's first project assignment.

During language arts this month, we will continue making strides in reading with our daily guided reading groups where we will focus on common/sight words as well as rhyming words. In addition to your child reading nightly, parents should be reading stories aloud to their child as well. In class we will begin working on our first group book report project, in preparation for future at home book reports. More information regarding this will be sent home next month.

In math we will move forward with place value and number sense activities while concentrating on strategies to aid in learning basic addition and subtraction facts. For those students that are ready, we will venture into multi-digit addition and subtraction.

As we approach the holidays and cold/flu season, your child may need to miss school. Please be sure to write in their planner especially if they are going to be leaving early or absent from school so the teacher will have time to prepare any work that may need to go home.

## Multi-age Class

### Mrs. Maggie New

During the month of October we will be exploring sound and light waves. We have several exciting class projects to do as well as a trip to the Pinellas Science Center on October 24th. At the science center we explore different forms of light and how it can travel. Please remember whenever we are on a trip we wear our green NH shirts and bring a brown bag lunch. We use the STEM lab as often as possible and have set up our fish tank with an assortment of fish.

The class has completed our first oral book report centering around mid evil times. Each book report will include and oral report complete with cue cards.

Remember all students need to know the times tables. Some groups have begun multi number multiplication and division problems, these take a lot of practices and patients so some students will be bringing class work home to finish for homework. Each student must show all their work so I can see where they might be having difficulty.

This month we will read Sarah Plain and Tall (3rd grade) and Caleb's Story (5th grade) both by Patricia MacLachlan. We will be assessing students reading fluency and comprehension levels throughout the month. Reading at least 15 minutes each day is an essential part of your child's homework.

We are now traveling to the southern states during social studies where each child will choose a state to present in class. This will be an in class project but everyone is responsible to learn the location of the state and its capital.

## Fitness / Leadership

### Coach Mike Curro

Fitness is progressing even with the almost 100-degree days. We are doing what we can as safely as we can. As it starts to cool off we will progress to more intense workouts and drills. The sport of the month for October will be football. Please note that while we will be using flags and not tackling, bumps and bruises could possibly occur.

Please encourage a positive attitude towards having good team sportsmanship mindset as I do. They will thank you for it later in life.

Hopefully, our warriors have been looking after their grass heads. You should have seen the flower coloring project we did for gardening by now. Hopefully, you enjoyed the pretty flowers. We have also started radishes in a cup. Please encourage them to water and care for them at home. We will be shifting from the large outdoor garden to smaller indoor type projects. They will be able to maintain concentration better, they will enjoy it more, and they will have something tangible to take home and show off. So, look for some neat stuff to come home!

Thanks for your continued support.

## Warrior of the Month

Mrs. Slutz - Gauge Carpenter

Mrs. New - Jacob Buckmaster