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Dear Families,

February is Kindness month as we find creative ways to show our appreciation for others. Dr. Maria Montessori said, "Children will imitate us in any case. Let us treat them, therefore, with all the kindness which we would wish to help develop in them." One way to include kindness in our home is to create a **February Kindness Jar**.

Begin with a clean jar and decorate it together with a "theme" of love or gratitude. Have small pieces of paper for family members to write or draw thoughts and messages of kind acts or expressions. It can be compliments, or even happy things that happened to them in the day. At the end of the day, draw one (or two) out and read aloud. Talk about how it made you feel. This is a great way to share happiness and get in touch with some of our feelings. It is a special time of the day to reflect on the "good" in our day. Try it for the 28 days in the month.

I wish you a wonderful February filled with kind gestures and happy thoughts! Your family is always in my thoughts when I count my blessings!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Cheryl Turner
Principal/Administrator



THANK YOU families who participated in our Campus Clean up last weekend. We weeded, planted, created a new bed around the sign, cleaned windows, trimmed trees and took \$2,500 pounds of limbs and branches to the dump. We ask each family to donate ten hours of volunteer time towards your child's school. These activities, donating to events, attending PTO, and sending in cleaning supplies all count towards these hours. Studies show that participation makes parents feel connected and has a greater impact on your child's success than socio-economic advantages. We appreciate all of you!

Registration for the 2023-24 school year is happening now. The initial forms need to be in the office by close of business day on February 10th. We have been touring potential families around the campus last week. As soon as we know the availability we will invite them to join our school family for next year. In the Spring you will receive the entire registration packet to be completed before you leave for the summer. If you have questions, please call the office and ask Eileen.

President's Day, Monday, February 20th was **ORIGINALLY** a school holiday. **NOW** it is a full make-up day for Hurricane Nicole. See you on that day!

One of our focuses this year is to support Social and Emotional Learning for our children. Mrs. Opal Rowe, counselor, found a great piece to help us remember It is attached to the email for review. Mrs. Tina Reyes continues to work with our classrooms on SEL. Her focus this month will be honesty and self-esteem. I will be working with the students this month through Monica Burr Foundation and lessons on internet safety, cyber bullying, and safety with technology. Our students need to hear these messages often and from different professionals.



Join us for our monthly PTO meeting and review the minutes from the last meeting in the email. Simply by being part of either school you are a member of our PTO. Bring your ideas, questions, and energy! **Time: Feb 7, 2023 @ 6:30 PM**

Our Fundraiser for the year is the annual Jog-a-thon! This is a great way to get involved, support the PTO activities, and promote healthy choices. Attached with the email is a pledge sheet and a flier explaining our event. Registered Volunteers are welcome to help on that day. Coach Cody will be here to oversee the event and encourage them to do their best! Come to PTO to sign up to help and learn more about the event. Lots of volunteers are needed to make this a success.



One of our parents volunteered to train our young track students to participate in the City of Melbourne Tract and Field Meet on Saturday, April 15, 2023. Students must be 8 years old as of the event and no older than 14 years. They will compete in 3 events and possibly a 4x100 relay. Mr. Candanoza will organize the practices and work with families. Please see his attached flier with contact information. A signed waiver for the event is attached as well. There is no cost for the event, unless the team decides to make matching shirts. It will be held at Eau Gallie High School and runs most of the day. Our school has participated in the past and enjoyed the city wide event.

Second Progress Reports will be issued on February 17th. At this time, we will be looking at attendance, adequate achievement and placement for next year. Make a phone conference with your child's teacher to discuss progress. State assessment data went home last week for all students in grades K-6. VPK and Preschool have also completed assessments and have data to share.

Science and Engineering Fair for grades 4-6 was held on January 12th. The judges were very impressed with our Scientists! Those earning a 1st place ribbon will move on to the next level of competition at Central Middle School on March 9th. Come to the fair to see the projects at 5:30 and stay for awards at 6:00 to support our students. Those moving to the fair will be: Jackson, Lexy, Isabel, Isa, Emma, and Paislei. Congratulation to our school first place winners. Earning ribbons for second or third place are: Dylan, Woods, Josilyn, Andrew, Avery, Olivia, and Lana. Way to go students!



Yearbooks are available for \$20.00 now and \$25.00 after March 10th. You can send in money to the office or purchase on line. Also, upload candid photos of school events at the Pictavo site!

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Our grade 5 students will attend the Brevard Symphony Orchestra on February 7th. They will be treated to fine music and entertainment.