

## Windmill Point Elementary Family PawPrints September 2016





I am a Rising Star at Windmill Point Elementary!

> Nicole Ortega **Principal**

Kelly Nigro
Assistant Principal

#### **Our Mission:**

Windmill Point
Elementary promises to
nurture a positive school
culture and to ensure
academic excellence by
preparing students for
college and career
readiness through the
fostering of selfconfidence, instillation of
responsibility and
development of
leadership skills.

Windmill Point 700 SW Darwin Blvd. Port St. Lucie, FL 34953 (772) 336-6950 Principal's Message:

Welcome Rising Stars! We hope you have enjoyed your first two weeks back at school! We look forward to working hard this school year and continuing to increase achievement as we move towards our goal of an A!

I personally want to take a moment and thank all of you for your patience and support these past two weeks as we have made adjustments to our dismissal procedures. Student safety is our number one priority and with the new procedures in place, we can assure that each student is dismissed quickly and safely at the end of each day. We appreciate your patience and support!

Sincerely, Nicole Ortega, Principal

#### **Important Information!**

**Big Apple Pizza Night:** Thank you PTO for sponsoring! Join us at Big Apple from 5-8 pm on Thursday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>!

**Rising Stars:** Friday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM.

**Curriculum Night:** Join us Thursday, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> for a night of fun and learning!

**Early Release:** Wednesday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM.

Volunteer Applications: Anyone interested in chaperoning field trips or helping out during the school day will need to complete the volunteer application process. <a href="https://business.stlucie.k12.fl.us/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wsFin/rapplmnu03.w">https://business.stlucie.k12.fl.us/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wsFin/rapplmnu03.w</a>

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#### **Spotlight on PTO!**

Please join us for our next PTO meeting, Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm

#### Parents:

If you have not completed an application for our school lunch program, please do so by

Sept. 14! New applications have to be completed each school year. Funding attached to this program has significant impact for our school and students.

THANK YOU!

Fall Pictures
Tuesday,
September 13<sup>tl</sup>



#### **I-ready Diagnostic**

Students in each grade will be completing the I-ready Diagnostic by Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>. This important diagnostic provides teachers information about students' current level in reading and math. Students will also spend 45 minutes per week on I-ready within their classroom to continue working on skills! Students can also access this tool from home for continued practice!

#### **Box Tops 4 Education**

Please send in your box tops! We will send updates each month to share what grade level is in the lead! Go Wildcats!

#### **Fundraisers!**

**S'mencils**: On sale every morning for \$1.00 from 8/29-9/2.

Coupon Books: On sale from Sept. 8-27.

Cookie Dough: More info to follow!

Thank you for supporting our students and

our school!

#### **School Advisory Council (SAC)**

The School Advisory Council is a group composed of administrators, teachers, parents, community members, business partners, and other staff members. The committee reviews overall school operations and monitors student achievement. Please join us Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm in the media center. We need your input!

### Dad's Take Your Children to School Day!

Calling all dads! On Wednesday, Sept. 28, we are encouraging all dads to bring their children to school. We will have a special area in the cafeteria for dads and their children to enjoy muffins and juice before walking your child to class. We hope to see you there!

#### **T-Shirt Sales**

School Spirit Shirts are on sale in the main office. The shirts are \$12.00 for one or two for \$20.00.

Spirit Shirts can be worn any day of the week as part of our dress code!





#### **September is School Attendance Month!**

Attendance Matters and has an impact on academic achievement! Strive for no more than five absences!

#### Practical tips to help support regular attendance:

- 1. Keep a regular bedtime routine
  - 2. Establish a morning routine
- 3. Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before
- 4. Avoid scheduling doctor's appointments or vacations when school is in session

Remember...EVERYDAY COUNTS!