

January 2020

* Resource Schedule

SUN	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
			1	2	3	4
			Winter Break - No School			
5	6 * 4 Students return	7 * 5	8 * 1 PBIS Store 1st and 3rd shop every Wednesday PTO / SAC 3:30 pm	9 * 2 PBIS Store 2nd and 4th shop every Thursday	10 * 3 PBIS Store VPK, K and 5th shop every Friday Spirit Day (every Friday) Students can wear their LWP "Pride" t-shirt with jeans.	11
12	13 * 4	14 * 5	15 * 1 Student of the Month 2pm	16 * 2 FSA Family Information Night 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm	17 * 3	18
19	20 MLK Jr. Day Holiday for All MLK Parade	21 * 4	22 * 5 Early Release Students released at 1:10 pm PBIS Superhero Day \$1	23 * 1 4th Grade Concert 6:30 pm Report Cards	24 * 2	25
26	27 * 3 Reading Rocks w/ Crazy Socks	28 * 4 Hats off to a Good Book	29 * 5 Be a Star and Read 100th Day of School	30 * 1 Chew and Read (Treats provided during "drop everything and read").	31 Read my Shirt \$1 PBIS Event Snow Fun 60 Falcon Bucks (during resource)	1
Literacy Week						
2	3 * 2 February (looking ahead)	4 * 3	5 * 4 Honor Roll Assemblies	6 * 5	7 * 1	8

Lakewood Park Elementary Falcon News

FALCON PRIDE!

January 2020



A Note from the Principal

Happy New Year and welcome back to school. I hope everyone was able to spend some quality time with family, friends and loved ones over the break. All the best in 2020.

We are working on establishing routines as we continue to push

forward with learning; re-establishing routines and relationships are essential components in increasing student achievement and building long-term capacity.

Expectations for dismissal, cafeteria, transitions, playground, behavior, and dress code are being reviewed in order to foster our Single School Culture.

Just a few of the exciting events happening this month are the MLK parade, FSA Family Information Night, 4th Grade's Concert, and our annual "Snow Fun" PBIS activity.

As always, my door is always open. ~ Mrs. Walukiewicz



Be in the Know!

There are multiple ways to stay in touch! Connect with us on all of our platforms so you can stay up to date.

Updated!



Visit our **website** at <http://schools.stlucie.k12.fl.us/lwp/>

Lots of pictures!



Like us on **Facebook** at Lakewood Park Elementary School

Gets texts!



Receive texts from LWP through **Remind**. Texts are generated by grade level. Text @KLWP, @1LWP, @2LWP, @3LWP, @4LWP, or @5LWP to **81010** for each grade level you would like to receive texts from.



SLPS has its own app in **SKYWARD** to keep you up to date on all things.

Parents may access this newsletter/ calendar on our website. <http://schools.stlucie.k12.fl.us/lwp/>

Grade Level News

Kindergarten - Welcome Back Kindergarten and Happy New Year! We hope you had a restful and enjoyable holiday season. We will be quickly falling back into our routines towards mastering our kindergarten skills in reading and math. This month we ask that you encourage your child to work on i-Ready to practice needed skills. You can access the website from a computer, tablet or even smartphones.

This program is aligned with the reading and math curriculum, it follows along with what your child is learning in class. Working on this program from home will allow your child to have additional time for skill development. Becoming strong readers and math students takes time, using i-ready will help your child increase their skills.

See your child's communication folder for i-Ready log in information. Looking forward to seeing the results from our hard work!

First Grade - enjoyed the month of December! We got to learn about holiday celebrations then and now. In January, students will be working on place value to 100 and adding and subtracting to 100. The students will be celebrating the 100th day of school at the end of January! We are all excited to celebrate being 100 days smarter!

Second Grade - We are so proud of our students. They have been working very hard these past few weeks. In reading, they are learning about main topic, key details and story structure. In math, they are learning about shapes and place value within 1,000. Please continue practicing sight words and reading at least 20 minutes every night.

Q: Why did the student eat his homework?
A: Because the teacher told him it was a piece of cake!

Just for FUN

Third Grade - We are very proud of the progress our 3rd grade students are making! We have had an amazing time learning and growing this 1st semester! As you know all 3rd grade students will be taking FSA in April 2020, which is a critical assessment for all 3rd grade students. Therefore, student attendance is very important as we prepare students for FSA. There will be a special FSA informational night January 16, 2020, more information will be sent home when we return from the Holiday Break.

We encourage students to review sight words, and read nightly, review multiplication and division facts, and parents make sure your child is completing reading and math homework assignments nightly. Happy New Year - Lakewood Park Elementary Third Grade Teachers!



Fourth Grade - Happy New Year! We hope all of our students are refreshed and ready to kick off a new year of learning. This month we will be traveling to the planetarium to learn all about the Milky Way Galaxy, planets, stars and more! Be on the look out for more information! In math, we will be exploring and measuring angles. In reading, we'll explore drama and describe in depth characters, setting and events. Also, we will dig into text structure and explain events, procedures, ideas, and/or concepts in a text. As always, we appreciate your support and look forward to the month ahead!

Fifth Grade - Our 5th grade team would like to congratulate all fifth graders for starting and completing the first half of our academic race. Though, we have faced many challenges we want to encourage our students that quitting is NOT AN OPTION, only PERSEVERANCE! We believe that ALL children are capable of SUCCESS, NO EXCEPTIONS! 5th grade ROCKS !

Your Child's Brain on Technology

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends the following guidelines for technology:

Less than TWO hours a day for kids age 5-18

No more than ONE hour a day for kids age 2-5

NONE for kids younger than 18 months of age

Why Does There Need to be a Limit on Technology Use in Children?

1. There is a negative impact on developing the part of our brain used for socially appropriate responses and modifications of emotions. Children who have had excessive exposure to technology (iPads, mobile phones, etc.) demonstrate difficulty interacting with others, socializing and controlling their emotions.
2. Technology, like other reward systems, can over-release a "feel good" chemical called dopamine. Similar to when we eat a delicious piece of cake and then want to have more of it. The more dopamine they are exposed to, the more tolerance they build up. The higher the tolerance, the more they crave it to get the same response.

* Check this section next month for additional info on the this topic.



Literacy Week -The Florida Department of Education promotes this week-long recognition to help students strengthen their literacy skills and become better prepared for academic success. Below are a few exciting events taking place at our school. We hope that you will take this opportunity to support reading in your homes and participate in school-wide and classroom activities.

Monday 27th - Reading Rocks w/ Crazy Socks

Students may wear their craziest socks to school.

Tuesday 28th - Hats off to a Good Book

Students may bring a hat to wear during "Drop Everything and Read" time of the day.

Wednesday 29th - Be a Star and Read

Students may bring sunglasses to wear during "Drop Everything and Read" time of the day.

Thursday 30th - Chew and Read

Treats will be provided during "Drop Everything and Read" time of the day.

Friday 31st - Read my Shirt

Students may wear a t-shirt with school appropriate words/phrases on it and jeans for \$1.

i-Ready Tests- Students are taking i-Ready tests. These tests are a predictor on how well students will perform on the FSA. i-Ready then prescribes work for each individual student based on his/her test performance. It is important that students do well on the i-Ready tests so the correct level of work is provided. Please encourage your child to try hard. A good night's sleep along with eating breakfast has proven to increase student performance. Testing will take place from now until January 31st.

Students were tested at the beginning of the year, then given a goal to

meet by the end of the year. ALL students who earn at least HALF of the points towards their year end goal will be invited to a DANCE PARTY, "Love Our Gains" on February 14th. Cookies and juice will be provided. In addition, any student who does NOT rush while taking the test will receive a **FREE ice pop** at lunch.



FSA Parent Information Night

Please join LWPE administration and 3-5 grade teachers on January 16th from 4:30 to 5:30 as we share important and helpful information about FSA (Florida Standards Assessment). Information will include test dates, ways to help your child, what teachers and administrators are doing to help prepare your child for success and MORE.

PBIS - "Snow Fun" is the PBIS event. It will cost 60 falcon bucks and will run during resource (outside event). A cold treat will be provided.

January's **SEL (Social Emotional Learning)** is Kindness. Please talk to your child about the importance of being kind, and praise him/her as you see them demonstrating kind behavior.



In a world where you can
be anything,
BE KIND

ATTENDANCE 
MATTERS

The **attendance committee** is sponsoring a special dress day for those classes who earn perfect attendance. Be sure to come to school everyday to help your class win!

December Citizens of the Month Congratulations to the Following Students:

VPK and Kindergarten

Helseth - Luz Aguilar Enriguez
Coddington - Elysia Noel
Dominguez - Shanna Spence
Gray - Rudi Gonzalez
Mitchell - Emma Perry
Pagano - Jamal Robinson
Soko - Franky York
Suggs - Kyli Sams
Myers (PE) - Jayton Brissett



First Grade



Fisher - Abigail Joseph
Fries - Landon Carmichael
Hughes - Elias Dranka
Lubin - A'mante Hall
Lundgren - Tyrell Colbert
Smith - Diego Lopez
Gardner (Drama) - Gary Brown

Second Grade

Abrams - E'maria Summersett
DiMaio - Uriah Garwood
Dixon - Collin Allen
Engel - Legend Mack
Gates - Cayleigh Rain
Rivera - Melvin Destrat
Tegtmeier - Abigail Pontius
Garcia (Science) - Raul Maldon



Third Grade

Anderson - Ismerai Velasquez
Castanon - Seleny Lopez Aguilar
Craton - Dareyna Torres
Leggett - Keyaira Middlebrook
Sonido - Ashton Grigg
Turner - Aaric Brinkerhoff



Fourth Grade

Innocent - Giavanna Campbell
Johnson - Emery Jett Gamboa
Keim - Cheyenne Clohessy
Kimball - Jasmine Pandohisingh
Pillsbury - Dennis Portillo
Steward - Chanelle Reese
Gardner (Media) - Joshua Narcisse

Fifth Grade



Cotto - Cherish Purser
Brissett - Arianna Hendricks
Sibrun - Ty Allen
Scott - Hayden Starkman
Hall - Gabrielle Delicat
Pettit (Art) - Shaun Hoey

ESE Update - Mrs. Kimball's class has been so busy this past semester! In Social Studies we have learned about the birth of our country, the USA. We studied the explorers, the colonists and finally the Declaration of Independence! That's why July 4th is so special! In Science, we have learned about Energy, Force and Motion. In Math, we have learned and practiced multiplying, dividing and working with fractions. We celebrated the holidays by making gingerbread houses following a recipe to make the mortar for the graham cracker bricks to stay attached. Then we had fun decorating with various colored and shaped items! We love to have fun while we learn!!! Learning is fun!!

Resource Report

Art with Pettit - In art we are working on the fair display for the St. Lucie county fair for all grade levels. This year's theme will be "School Pride." K-2 will be decorating eggs for the display. 3-5 grade will be learning how to make origami birds. Please come out and support our school during the St. Lucie county fair.

Drama with Ms. Gardner - Falcons in K, 1st, and 2nd are working on stage directions and how to become a character. In 3rd and 5th, students are studying the elements of musical theatre by diving into the musical, The Lion King Kids. While, students in 4th grade are singing a variety of Patriotic themed songs to prepare for their concert on January 23rd. Please read more about it in the Performance of the Month section!

Performance of the Month

We will be hosting our Fourth Grade Patriotic Cabaret on January 23rd starting at 6:30 pm! This **free performance** will be a fun filled event for the whole family. Fourth Grade students will be singing an arrangement of Patriotic songs to pay respect, honor and celebrate our American heritage through music. All military personnel, veterans, and Falcon Family members are invited to attend. We cannot wait to see you there!

Media with Mrs. Gardner - Students continue to be successful in media. Kindergarten and first grade are working on letter sounds, blends, and sight words. We can often be found reading a favorite book together. Second through fifth graders work each month to reach their Reading Counts goal. Ask your child(ren) about their goal and about rewards that can be earned when their goals are met. I am so proud of our Falcons and their accomplishments!

P.E. with Meyer - Welcome back students!! I hope everyone had a wonderful winter break. We will be exploring our soccer unit during the month of January. You will be dribbling, passing, and trapping the soccer ball with your feet. Please wear the proper shoes on your P.E. day.

STEAM with Garcia - In kindergarten the students will understand that things that make sound vibrate. In first grade the students will understand motion and be able to demonstrate ways objects move. In second grade the students will understand the effects of various pushes and pulls on objects and be able to demonstrate that the greater the force on the object, the greater the motion of the object. In third grade the students will understand types of energy and be able to identify and investigate forms of energy. In fourth grade the students will understand how an object in motion changes and be able to measure the changes. In fifth grade the students will understand minerals, rock categories, weathering, erosion and the water cycle and be able to describe how certain conditions describe weather in a particular place and time.

MLK Parade - Come out on Monday, January 20 to watch the annual MLK Parade. The parade begins at Avenue I and ends at Lawnwood Stadium. More than 50 organizations participate.



