

# February 2020

\* Resource Schedule

SUN	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
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2	3 * 2 Lion King Kids Rehearsal	4 * 3 Fieldtrip to the Farm First Grade Girls on the Run 3rd, 4th and 5th Every Tuesday and Thursday 3:30 to 5:30 ↓	5 * 4 PBIS Store 1st and 3rd shop every Wednesday Honor Roll Assemblies 8:50 - 5th 9:45 - 4th 1:45 - 3rd Principal Luncheon PTO / SAC 3:30 pm Lion King Kids Rehearsal	6 * 5 PBIS Store 2nd and 4th shop every Thursday Kid's Club 3:30 to 4:30 Every Thursday Girls on the Run 3rd, 4th and 5th Every Tuesday and Thursday 3:30 to 5:30 ↓	7 * 1 PBIS Store VPK, K and 5th shop every Friday Spirit Day (every Friday) Students can wear their LWP "Pride" t-shirt with jeans. ↓	8 Night of the Stars 6 pm
9	10 * 2 Progress Reports go home Lion King Kids Rehearsal	11 * 3 Street Beat Kidz 4th grade fieldtrip	12 * 3 Student of the Month 2pm Lion King Kids Rehearsal	13 * 4 Valentine's Family Dance 5:30 to 7:30 Book Fair 5:30 to 7:30	14 * 5 "Love Our Gains" Dance Party K & 1 at 9:30 2 & 3 at 1:30 4 & 5 at 2:15 Red, White, and Jeans \$!	15
Book Fair - Students shop during Media resource						
16	17 Holiday for All Presidents' Day Book Fair - Students shop during Media resource	18 * 1	19 * 2 Falcon Writes Early Release Students released at 1:10 pm	20 * 3 Special dress for identified classes with perfect attendance	21 * 4	22
23	24 * 5 Lion King Kids Rehearsal	25 * 1 Student Led Conferences 5:30 to 7:30	26 * 2 Lion King Kids Rehearsal	27 * 3 First Grade Holiday Concert 6:30 pm	28 * 4	29

## Lakewood Park Elementary

# Falcon News

**FALCON PRIDE!**

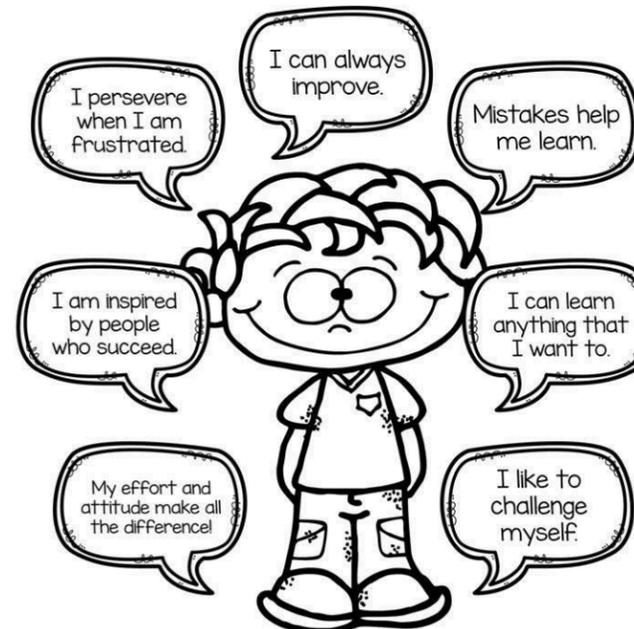
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### ♥ A Note from the Principal

It has been an amazing new year as students continue full speed ahead in learning. During the first semester, students built foundational skills which will be refined and reinforced in this second semester. Through our approach to a student-centered classroom with centers and small group lessons, we strive to create a classroom culture that fosters academic growth for all students. Likewise, we aim to promote a positive school culture with healthy interactions. Throughout the year, we have implemented Sanford Harmony, a social-

### I have a ♥ GROWTH MINDSET!



emotional teaching program that strives to build classroom relationships amongst all students. By utilizing Sanford Harmony, our classrooms are cohesive and teaching time has increased.

As always, my door is always open.

~ Mrs. Walakiewicz

### 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** - We have celebrated our 100th day of school, we are 100 Days Smarter!! Kindergarten has been working hard with addition and subtraction. Ask them to tell you about their math skills, they are proud!

We have completed our iReady winter diagnostics and the students showing gains are right on schedule. Gains are growth! Keep practicing those sight words and reading at home, the results are showing!!

Keep a watch for fun February events!! Lots of activities for your family to enjoy with your child.

**First Grade** - First grade is excited for their field trip to the farm on February 4th. Students have been working hard on their I-Ready Math and Reading diagnostics. We will have celebrated the 100th day of school on January 29th! We will start learning two digit addition and subtraction!

**Second Grade** - We are so proud of our students. They have been working very hard these past few weeks. In ELA, they are learning about story structure, comparing and contrasting characters, settings, and events between two stories. In math, they are learning about place values up to 1,000. Please continue practicing sight words and reading at least 20 minutes **every night**.

### Just for FUN

**Q:** Why did the boy put candy under his pillow?

**A:** Because he wanted sweet dreams.

**Third Grade** - Greetings Families, students will be taking the FSA in April 2020, which is a critical assessment for all 3rd grade students. Therefore, student attendance is very important and crucial as we prepare students for the FSA. We encourage students to review sight words, complete homework nightly, and review multiplication / division facts. We look forward to seeing our families at the **Student Led Conferences** on February 25, 2020 from 5:30 - 7:30. Falcons choose to SOAR!

- Lakewood Park Elementary Third Grade Teachers!

**Fourth Grade** - Fourth grade has been staying busy! We had a BLAST visiting the planetarium and learning all about the galaxy. On February 11th, we will travel to the Sunrise Theatre to experience Street Beatz, a high-energy explosion of urban rhythm and uplifting music with education at its core. In math, we will be adding and subtracting fractions along with making and analyzing line plots. In reading, we'll continue to describe in depth characters, setting and events and compare and contrast similar themes and topics. Also, we will dig into determining main idea and interpreting information presented visually. As always, we appreciate your support and look forward to the month ahead!

**Fifth Grade** - Fifth grade teachers would like to congratulate our students who passed this week's Unit 8 ELA assessment. We are extremely proud that the strategies that they are learning are being demonstrated with confidence and accuracy. Kiddos to Miranda Mathis and Heaven Reese on their outstanding performance on this test! Continue to soar! In math, students are demonstrating a higher level of proficiency - especially with Unit 8 - 2D figures. Remember students should be fluent in multiplication facts. **Practice, Practice, Practice.** Fifth grade scientists are finishing up the study of Earth Systems and Patterns. They will move on to a Living Things unit this month.



**Special Dress Day** - Students can support PTO on Friday, February 14, by wearing a red or white shirt with a pair of jeans for \$1. Students can wear jeans or jean shorts (no rips or tears). Jean shorts must be at least fingertip in length.

**Love Our Gains** - On February 14th, all students who earned at least HALF of their iReady goal will be invited to a dance party with cookies and juice. Congrats to each student who met his/ her individualized goal!!



**Tuesday, February 25**  
**5:30pm -7:30pm**

Student-Led Conferences will take place in your child's homeroom class. This will be an opportunity to see and discuss your child's progress. Arrive anytime between 5:30 pm -7:00 pm. *Conferences close promptly at 7:30pm.*

**Students will lead the discussion with you by:**

Showcasing their student data notebooks.

Showing and explaining work samples.

Discussing goals for continuous improvement.

Hope to see you there!

## 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

(Continued from last month)

3. Technology puts an obstacle in the way of the natural development of executive function skills such as the ability to plan, organize, manage time, inhibit inappropriate actions or responses, develop good judgement, control impulses, and gain the skills necessary for multi-tasking (working memory).. The result is a "double whammy". The over-release of dopamine creates a craving for more stimulation, but the impaired development of executive function skills impairs their ability to judge when or if they should use technology and for how long.

4. The brain is wired for a "fight or flight" response. This is a normal biological response that is designed to be short term. For example, if you are being chased by a bear your body produces the adrenaline needed to escape danger. However, when engaged in technology for hours, the body stays at the heightened level of stress. The more our bodies stay in a "fight or flight" stressful operating mode-the more our bodies stay in a "fight or flight" operating mode.

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



**Lakewood Park Elementary** is a shining example of the positive impact when a community works together. We are so **very grateful** to the following Business Partners and Clubs for all of your support during the holiday season.

The following organizations donated *Christmas gifts* to our LWP families:

- **Lakewood Park Methodist Church**
- **Long Island Ducks Spanish Lakes Fairways**
- **Italian American Club Spanish Lakes Fairways**
- **Tennis Club Spanish Lakes Fairways**
- **New England Club Spanish Lakes Fairways**
- **New England Club Spanish Lakes Country Club**
- **The Crossing Church**
- **The Elks Lodge**

**Spanish Lakes Fairways Outreach Club** donated *80 pairs of shoes*.

The following organizations donated *school supplies*:

- **Telephone Pioneers**
- **Lakewood Park Methodist Church**
- **Moose Lodge and the Crossing Church**

**Elks Lodge** donated \$5,000.00 which was matched by the **Education Foundation** for a total of \$10,000.00. They also donated backpacks and food.

**Exxon/Mobil** donated \$500.00 for STEAM/ Math supplies.



**Thank you for being a part of our Falcon Family!**

**January Citizens of the Month**  
**Congratulations to the Following Students:**

**VPK and Kindergarten**

Helseth - Dixie Forgue  
 Coddington - Devantae Evans  
 Dominguez - Camila Ornelas  
 Gray - Marcus Williams  
 Mitchell - Maily Scott  
 Pagano - Ava Schneider  
 Soko - Skyelar Wilkins  
 Suggs - Nevaeh Ferbert



**First Grade**



Fisher - Jamal Young  
 Fries - Wesley Alexander  
 Hughes - Sandia Cherubi  
 Lubin - Jake Mead  
 Lundgren - Joslynn McVay  
 Smith - Emma Benoit  
 Myers (PE) - Brandon Carerra

**Second Grade**

Abrams - Ayla Carner  
 DiMaio - Mia Schneider  
 Dixon - Camden Self  
 Engel - De'mari Carter  
 Gates - Nathaniel Ferbert  
 Rivera - Alexander Hernandez  
 Tegtmeier - Rosemary Foreman  
 Gardner (Drama) - Marva Scott



**Third Grade**

Anderson - Jinyu Qian  
 Castanon - Ronaldine Brutus  
 Craton - Bo Baker  
 Leggett - Jatia Cooper  
 Sonido - Cole Jenkins  
 Turner - Sariah Kerr  
 Garcia (Science) - Nastacha Eliazar



**Fourth Grade**

Innocent - Jeremiah Bush  
 Johnson - Brianna Matthews  
 Keim - Adriana Chavarria  
 Kimball - Jasmine Pandohisingh  
 Pillsbury - Ronaldo Nunez  
 Steward - Miley Hall-Wood

**Fifth Grade**



Cotto - Rolande Severe  
 Brissett - Makayla Pinder  
 Sibrun - Breequel Payen  
 Scott - Yunze Wang  
 Hall - Audrina Brown  
 Kimball - Honesty Lowery  
 Gardner (Media) - Ty Baker  
 Pettit (Art) - Laurna Olibrice

**Resource Report**

**Art with Pettit** - Fall in love during art resource this February. We are making Valentine's Day cards and heart origami this year in celebration. Students will be making art for the people that are loved in their lives.

**Drama with Ms. Gardner** - Falcons in K and 2nd grade are currently working on how to develop a character for a play. These students are looking at how our actions and emotions can show how and what a character may be feeling or thinking. Students in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students are continuing their study of a musical through the eyes of the Lion King Kids. Students are working on using the Djembe drums, forming a pride, and the different types of jobs that are in the theatre. Meanwhile, 1st grade students are singing a variety of Valentine's themed songs to prepare for their concert on February 27th. Please read more about it in the Performance of the Month section!

**Performance of the Month**

In February, we will be hosting our First Grade Valentines Cabaret on February 27th starting at 6:30 pm! This **free performance** will be a fun-filled event for the whole family. First Grade students will be singing an arrangement of Valentine's songs to celebrate the holiday! Hear personal favorites like Skidamarink, You Are My Sunshine, I Love You -You Love Me, and many more! All Falcon families and staff members are invited to attend. We cannot wait to see you there!

**Media with Mrs. Gardner** - Our next **book fair** will run *Monday, February 10 to Wednesday February 19*. Students will shop during their media resource time. **Family shopping night** will be during the Valentine's Dance on *Thursday, February 13th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.*

**P.E. with Meyer** - Hey there Falcons! Students will be expanding on their basketball skills during the first few weeks of February. Kindergarten through fourth grade will be receiving Health/Substance Abuse lessons during the last two weeks of February. As always, please remember to wear the proper shoes on your designated P.E. day

**STEAM with Reid and Garcia** - In kindergarten, students will explore the law of gravity, understand the properties of objects that can be seen from Earth, and be able to recognize the repeating pattern of day and night. In first grade, students will explore the law of gravity, understand that there are more stars in the sky that anyone can easily count, and be able to identify beneficial / harmful properties of the sun. In second grade, students will understand that Earth is made up of rocks and be able to explain the process by which soil is formed. In third grade, students will understand that stars can be different and be able to demonstrate the law of gravity. In fourth grade, the students will understand the relationship between the rotation of Earth and the apparent movements and changes of the sun, moon and stars. In fifth grade, the students will continue to understand the water cycle and be able to explain how certain conditions describe weather in a particular place and time.

**New Clubs**

**Girls on the Run** - is designed to enhance third - fifth grade girls social, emotional and physical skills and behaviors to successfully navigate life experiences. Girls will meet every Tuesday and Thursday for ten weeks. The first meeting is February 4th from 3:30 to 5:30.

**Kid's Club** - This new Bible Club starts on Thursday, February 6th right after school and ends at 4:30. There will be a activities, crafts, and snacks. Come check out our newest club! Look for the permission slip sent home for more details.

**The St. Lucie County Fair** is February 28th to March 8th. Be sure to stop by the School Displays and vote for LWPE. The winning display receives a cash prize for their school. 15601 West Midway Rd, Fort Pierce, FL 34945

