

March 2020

* Resource Schedule

SUN	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
1	2 * 5 Lion King Kids Rehearsal Every Monday and Wednesday 3:30 to 5:30 ↓	3 * 1 Girls on the Run 3rd, 4th and 5th Every Tuesday and Thursday 3:30 to 5:30 ↓	4 * 2 Spring Pictures (Class Picture) PBIS Store 1st and 3rd shop every Wednesday PTO / SAC 3:30 pm Lion King Kids Rehearsal Every Monday and Wednesday 3:30 to 5:30 ↓	5 * 3 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 ↓	6 * 4 PBIS Store VPK, K and 5th shop every Friday Spirit Day (every Friday) Students can wear their LWP "Pride" t-shirt with jeans. ↓	7
8	9 * 5	10 * 1	11 * 2 2nd Grade & Musical Students Fieldtrip Matilda at LPA Student of the Month 2pm Falcon Writes	12 * 2 Special dress for identified classes with perfect Attendance Drive in Movie Night 6 pm to 8 pm	13 * 3 PBIS Event (Grade group choice 60 Falcon Bucks) End of 3rd Nine Weeks	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Spring Break - Holiday for All						
22	23 Teacher Workday No School for Students	24 * 4	25 * 5	26 * 1 Second Grade Spring Concert 6:30 pm	27 * 2	28
29	30 * 3	31 * 4 Winn Dixie Math Night 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm	1 * 5 3rd Grade FSA ELA Session One	2 * 1 3rd Grade FSA ELA Session Two 4th & 5th Grades FSA Writing	3 * 2 Make up FSA Testing Third, Fourth, and Fifth Grade	4

Lakewood Park Elementary Falcon News

FALCON PRIDE!

March 2020

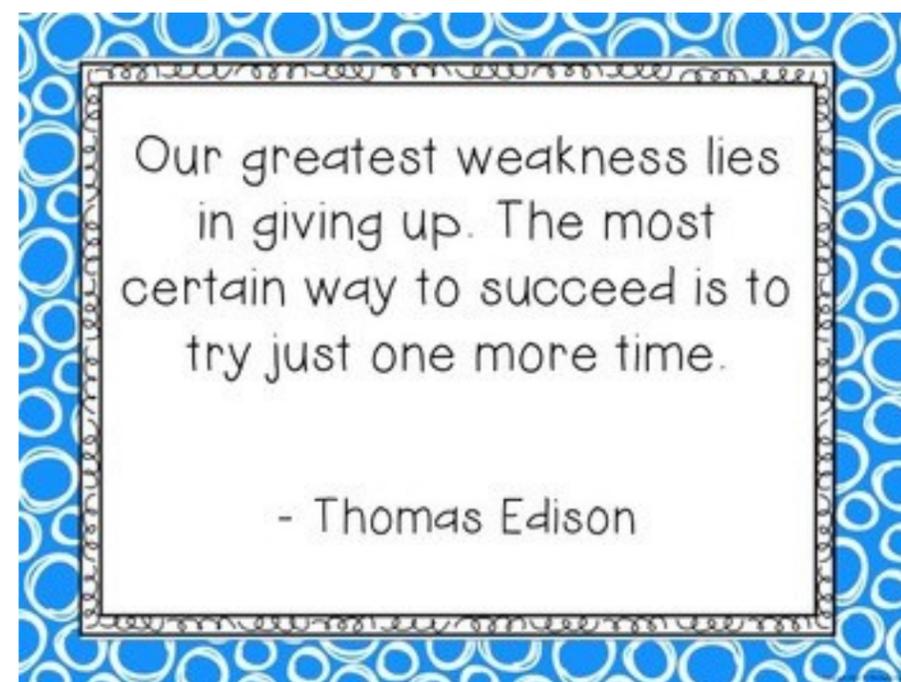


A Note from the Principal

We are ending our third nine weeks on March 13th, which means we are heading into the home stretch for this school year. As you can see on the back page of this newsletter, our calendar is FULL and we still have two months of school ahead of us! We encourage you to help your students stay in the swing of things as we strive to end the year as strong as we started.

~ Mrs. Walukiewicz

As always, my door is always open.



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/>

In the Spotlight...

LWP would like to introduce our *Outstanding First Year Teacher*, Tiffany Gardner. Ms. Gardner teaches drama. She is the sponsor of this year's musical, *The Lion King Kids*. This will be the fifth musical she has brought to, and directed at, the elementary school level.



In her free time, Ms. Gardner likes to travel. She has visited 48 consecutive states. This summer she plans on traveling to Romania for volunteer work.

When not working and traveling, she can be found cuddled up with her two year old Yorkie, Tucker.



He is a big part of her life and LOVES constant attention.

Ms. Gardner is proud to be part of the Falcon Family.

Community Support - LWP is a shining example of the positive impact when a community works together. We are so **very grateful** to the following Business Partners for all of your support

Winn Dixie - Thanks for donating baked goods for the Valentine's Dance. They can always be counted on, and have donated to LWP's various needs throughout the year.

Crossing Church - We appreciate all the baked goods donated to our Valentine's Dance, along with all of the volunteers. Your support helped make the event a success. The students loved the face painting. Thanks for being there for us.

February Citizens of the Month Congratulations to the Following Students:

VPK and Kindergarten

Helseth - Nyilae Pasizor
Coddington - Destiny Solomon
Dominguez - Lola King
Gray - Marcus Williams
Mitchell - Chevelle Granito
Pagano - Elizabeth Rodriguez-Maldonado
Soko - Autumn Hower
Suggs - La'Royal Moss
Gardner (Media) - Jayton Brissett



First Grade



Fisher - Lillieonna Sommer
Fries - Scarlett Clohessy
Hughes - Jesus Paredes
Lubin - Michaela Clark
Lundgren - Marion Deluca
Smith - Jonathan Lugo
Pettit (Art) - Emma-Grace Narcisse

Second Grade

Abrams - Jonathan Lazaro
DiMaio - Aiden Vogel
Dixon - Lyric Mack
Engel - La'Chyna Brown
Gates - Cincere Rodriguez
Rivera - Samuel Suffrin
Tegtmeier - Jereymiah Vargas
Myers (PE) - Mark Mathis



Third Grade

Anderson - Liliana Clauvil
Castanon - Lois Bertrand
Craton - Kerrigan Castle
Leggett - Domingue Germain
Sonido - Caitlyn Evans
Turner - Aubry Castle
Gardner (Drama) - Danasha Ulysse



Fourth Grade

Innocent - Isabelle Keim
Johnson - Shervona Chavis
Keim - Pablo Delgado
Kimball - Jasmine Pandohisingh
Pillsbury - Davi Dranka
Steward - Lilliana Oquendo
Reid (Science) - Gia Hall



Fifth Grade



Cotto - Cash'mere Booker
Brissett - Job Larose
Sibrun - Ty Baker
Scott - Rosmary Silvestre
Hall - Isabelle Moreno
Kimball - Timothy Kent

Resource Report

Art with Pettit - Please come out and support us in the annual St. Lucie county fair. There is going to be a contest for Best in Show for the school displays. Also come out and see the artwork made by our students.

In the month of March we are going to be focused on making crafts in celebrations of St. Patrick's day.

Drama with Ms. Gardner - Falcons in K and 1st grade are currently working on how to use our voice for a performance. These students are looking at why projection and diction are necessary while singing and acting. 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 spacing in the theatre, stage directions, character voice, and the concept of language in a play. Meanwhile, 1st-grade students are singing a variety of Spring themed songs to prepare for their concert on March 26th. Please read more about it in the Performance of the Month section!

Performance of the Month

In March, we will be hosting our Second Grade Vocal Cabaret on March 26th starting at 6:30 pm! This free performance will be a fun-filled event for the whole family. Second-grade students will be signing an arrangement of Spring-inspired songs to celebrate the season. All Falcon families and staff members are invited to attend. We cannot wait to see you there!

Media with Mrs. Gardner - Want to spend more time with your child, build reading skills, and foster the love of books? You can do all three when you read aloud. Here are some suggestions.

Read regularly. Try reading every day for 10 - 15 minutes.

Take turns choosing books. Your child may want to hear old favorites again and again. Use your turn for new titles and variety, such as nonfiction or poetry.

(Media continued)

Ask your child to participate. Your child can turn the pages, finish sentences that rhyme, or fill in words he/she knows.

Be playful. You can use different voices for different characters, or substitute family members names for the main characters.

You don't have to be an expert reader—your child will love it when you read aloud because it's you.

P.E. with Meyer - Hi Falcons! For the month of March, we will explore activities which promote teamwork and responsible social/personal behavior. Students in K - 2nd grade will get to experience parachute play and flag tag games. 3rd - 5th grades will practice various racing activities and bocce ball. As always, please remember to wear the proper shoes on your designated P.E. day.

STEAM with Reid and Garcia - Kindergarten and First grade are learning to differentiate between sound, light and heat energy. In Second and Third grade students are investigating different types of weather and weather patterns. In Fourth and Fifth grade students are participating in an investigation provided by the *Inwater Research Group*. This investigation includes learning background knowledge about the different types of Florida sea turtles. The students will then act as Marine Biologists where they will be assigned a specific turtle and will have to determine whether the turtle needs rehabilitation or if they can be released back to the wild.

New Clubs

Girls on the Run - Celebration 5K: Save the date - Saturday, April 25th at 8:30am at Lakewood Park Regional Park in Ft. Pierce is our Celebration 5K. We will have small info flyers for our parents, staff members and friends who want to be running buddies with the girls and celebrate and run with us. Our theme is "Spring Fling". More information to come.

Kid's Club - This new Bible Club begins right after school and ends at 4:30. There will be a activities, crafts, and snacks. Come check out our newest club! Students must return a permission slip to participate.

Grade Level News

Kindergarten - Kindergarten is over 100 days smarter! We have worked hard to make gains in our iReady scores and are learning more each day to prepare us for First Grade! Please make sure that your child is present each day, attendance is hugely important to your child's educational growth.

Practicing sight words is the easiest way to make your child a better reader! Make flashcards and review with your child nightly to ensure success. Spring break will mean a break in routine, finding time to read is a great way to vacation and keep our skills fresh!

First Grade - First grade has begun talking about money. We will be talking about money, fractions, time and measurements in the next several weeks. The students are continuing to learn more about informational and literature texts. Students have made great improvements with their reading levels during the testing window. The first grade teachers are very proud of their hard work and continued academic growth!

Second Grade - Second graders are so excited about student led conferences. They have been working so hard on their data binders. In math, we have been working on adding and subtracting within 1000. Please have your second graders practice their second grade level sight words. Have your student read for at least 20 minutes every night.

Happy March & Happy Spring
Second grade Teachers

Just for FUN

Q: Can February March?
A: No, but April May!



Third Grade - Hello 3rd Grade Falcon Families,

To start, we are thrilled with the turn out for the Student Led Conferences! Special thank you to all the families that was able to attend this wonderful event. Students were able to share their goals, progress they have made so far this year, and where they would like to be by the end of 3rd grade! As you know, FSA is quickly approaching, (ELA - April 1st & 2nd) and Math will be in the month of May. We encourage all 3rd grade students to be in school as we continue to prepare our students to be as successful as possible. Parents, please continue working with your child with reading and math homework, as this is additional independent practice on skills we work on in class.

Fourth Grade - It's hard to believe that it is already March! This month the Hobe Sound Wildlife Refuge will be visiting for another in-school field trip to teach us about the "Landlord of the Ancient Sand Dunes: Gopher Tortoises." Through a presentation & hands-on activity students will learn about this keystone species with an emphasis on the important role they play in endangered Scrub habitats. The students should find this very interesting, especially since we have one in our very own backyard! We hope all students and families enjoy their Spring Break and return to school refreshed and ready to learn. As always, we appreciate your support and look forward to the month ahead!

Fifth Grade - Fifth grades teachers would like to thank all parents that took the time out to attend our student-led conferences. We had an amazing time as our students discuss their data with parents! Let's keep supporting our future leaders! 5th grade ROCKS!

Special Dress Day -

The class from each grade level with the most perfect attendance days will be have a special dress day on Thursday, March 12. Those classes will receive a flyer with the details. Come to school daily to help your class win!



Spring Pictures -



are on Wednesday, March 4th. All students will be in the class photo. Students with completed order forms can take individual pictures. ALL STUDENTS need to be in dress code.

Florida's ESE Parent Survey -

Calling all parents of students with Individual Educational Plans (IEP). The Florida Department of Education wants to hear from you. Make your voice heard! Take the survey on the web at <http://www.esesurvey.com> or request a paper survey from your child's school.

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)

5. Another area of the brain that is impacted is the development of myelin, which is used to make tasks easier the more they are repeated. A good comparison can be made to using a sled on a snowy hill. The first time you sled down a snowy hill and make fresh tracks on the snow, the sled moves slowly and inefficiently while it forms the grooves in the snow. However, with each trip down the hill in those same grooves, the sled moves more easily and faster. Overstimulation that comes from the glow, lights and speed with which images appear in technology damages the myelin in the brain and is difficult to overcome.

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

Tutors Wanted

Would you like to tutor a student in reading? Lakewood Park Elementary has a tutoring program and could use your help. We will provide all the supplies and instructions. Contact Mrs. Gardner in the media center, if interested, at (772)468-5385.



PBIS - The PBIS store is open every Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday for students to shop on their designated day (using the Falcon Bucks they deposited into their Falcon bank). All Falcon Bucks are deposited each Friday into students' accounts.

March's PBIS Grade Level Event will be on



Friday, March 13. Students will need 60 Falcon buck to participate.