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Mariposa Matters

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Special Honors for Special Mariposians

We are so very proud of the following staff members who received these special honors at Mariposa for this school year – Mrs. Erica Anderson (Teacher of the Year - TOY), Mrs. Terri Johnson (School Related Employee of the Year - SREY), Ms. Erika Baculima (Distinguished Minority Educator of the Year - DMEOY), and Mr. Tyler Evans (First Year Teacher of the Year– FYTOY). Each year, schools in St. Lucie County vote for their own school’s recipients for these very important awards. Once that is done, they all attend the “Night of the Stars” gala in February where they announce the winners from our whole county. These four individuals are representative of the fine staff we have here at Mariposa serving you and your children. – Mr. Logue



Mark Your Calendar

Jan. 4 Mon.– Students & Teachers Return

Jan. 12 Tues.– Dine to Donate Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser 4-10pm

Jan. 14 Thur.– SAC/PTO Meeting 5:00 p.m. on TEAMS

<https://bit.ly/34F6ugh>

Jan. 18 Mon.– No School Holiday for all.– MLK Holiday

Jan. 21 Thur.– Report Card Day through Family Access

Jan. 27 Wed.– Early Release 12:55



Erica Anderson– T.O.Y.



Erika Baculima– DMEOY



Terri Johnson– SREY



Tyler Evans– FYTOY

Mariposa Third Grade Class Wins Educational Materials

Mariposa Elementary 3rd grade teacher, Ron Smith, won educational supplies for his entire class just by answering a few questions! His students received bags that included two books published by Port St. Lucie Utility Systems: *Water Hugs* and *Who is Francis FOGberg?*, plus Water Cycle Wristband and Toilet Paper Roll Rainbow Windsock Activity Kits, and lots more.

Mr. Smith participated in a survey about Utility Systems’ new online video library called “Little Lessons.” This free resource was created especially for educators, teachers, and homeschool groups to make teaching certain topics a bit easier. The videos cover everything from where our water comes from to how wastewater is treated. So, whether students are learning virtually or in the classroom, these videos will complement a variety of lessons.

Pictured: Ron Smith & Jenny Tomes, APR the Utility Marketing Coordinator for City of Port St. Lucie, Utility Systems Dept.



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First Grade Reading Centers

Students from left to right, Leah Aquino, Noah Farley, Reynier Ridel-Torres and Tyson Young, in Mrs Auciello's first grade class work safely in reading centers every afternoon. The students favorite is the listening center where they get to listen to a great book and then draw and write to tell about their favorite part of the story or their favorite characters.



Mrs. Bonilla's VPK News

In Mrs. Bonilla's VPK classroom, the students engaged in a variety of literacy centers. The goal for this week was to review literacy concepts practicing letter/sound identification with recognition, and writing words.

The importance of daily review can ensure an easier transition into the middle of the year.

Tyleah Weaver and Emmanuel Rocha worked on the letter Hh. They wrote the word Heart, and used tissue paper to make a heart.



Sarah Brown, Carlos Lacan, and Layan Alsharif was given letter puzzles. They matched the letter to the picture and then wrote the word on dry erase mats.



Thomas Pierson, Liam Roznak, Tyleah Weaver, and Jason Campbell used alphabet bingo to review letter identification and sounds.



PBIS School Award

Mariposa is a Gold Level PBIS School. We are very proud to receive this level.



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