As we conclude our first nine weeks and head into the holidays, there are many things for which to be thankful. Thank you to the amazing PWE staff for their continued commitment to students on a daily basis. PWE staff considers it a privilege to work with our children and will continue to foster a challenging, nurturing, and fun learning environment. We believe that all students have the ability to succeed both academically and personally and continue our work with students to accomplish these goals.

Community involvement is a key component to the success of students at Pinewood, so we are thankful for all our parent volunteers and all the work you. I invite all families to become a part of our school community. We welcome and encourage parent volunteers and hope that you will take advantage of the many opportunities available to you. These opportunities include tutoring, attending/volunteering at PTA events, working in classrooms, chaperoning field trips, and more. Please contact your child’s teacher or our office staff for ways to become involved at school.

PTA has sponsored several events in October, including our well attended PTA Family Bingo Night and Glow Dance. We look forward to our upcoming events this month so be sure to check out our November calendar and come join the fun.

We are excited to continue our “PBIS” program which promotes a positive school culture through positive reinforcement and incentives for students. Students and staff are encouraged to recognize others for doing good deeds, making others feel welcome, lending a helping hand, etc. Our PBIS program is aligned with our newly incorporated house system where all our students belong to one of the four houses to build a strong sense of community.

We are thankful for the privilege of being school administrators at Pinewood Elementary and hope you all have a blessed Thanksgiving Day.

Jennifer Radcliff, Christina Smith, & Patty Morris

PWE Administration
Greetings from the PTA President

November 1, 2016

Greetings Pinewood Families and Staff!
This is truly a great time of the year as temperatures have cooled down and holiday celebrations are just around the corner. It’s also a good time for all of us to just pause and reflect just how blessed we are. With that in mind, I just want to personally say how very thankful I am for our entire Pinewood Elementary community. I am thankful for such an amazing administration for their timeless commitment to our school, I am thankful for a phenomenal support staff who work around the clock keeping our school pristine and running, I am thankful for the BEST TEACHERS in all of Martin County, who work countless hours devoting their lives to make our children be the very best that they can be. I am also thankful for the entire Pinewood PTA family, who volunteer so many hours to make Pinewood Elementary the best that it can be.

No matter what role you play at Pinewood, you are a vital part of the Panther Family and you are so needed and so very appreciated.

On behalf of the Pinewood PTA, I wish you and your families a blessed Thanksgiving holiday.

With many thanks,

Robert Guest
PWE PTA, President 2016-2017

Keep Up With the PWE PTA on Facebook

www.facebook.com/pages/Pinewood-Elementary-School-PTA/168478699856937
PWE Family Bingo Night
November 18
6:30-8:00 pm
PWE Cafeteria
Come out and
have a great time!

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Thank you to all the Pinewood volunteers who have done so much in the first quarter of school already. Your continued help and support is always appreciated! Please check for emails from me regarding any upcoming volunteer opportunities and how to sign up. If you're not receiving volunteering emails or are not signed up to volunteer yet, please email me at pwevc1@gmail.com. It's never too late to be a PWE volunteer!

PWE Volunteer Coordinator
pwevc1@gmail.com

Square 1 Art
Our Pinewood artists have been hard at work creating one of a kind artwork just for you.

Their projects are BEAUTIFUL! This month your child’s personalized catalog will be sent home for you to order keepsakes that you’ll cherish for years to come.

Square 1 gifts make great grandparent gifts or accents for your home and will arrive before winter break.

Best of all, a portion of all proceeds is returned to your Pinewood PTA to directly benefit our teachers, student enrichment and PTA family activities like dances and Bingo night!

The following teacher is out of field for their ESOL Endorsement and is working on achieving her endorsement in this area: Lauren Epsenhart.
MS. Morris’ Growth Mindset Moment

Last month we talked about that we have a combination of Fixed and Growth Mindset...
It is important for us to realize that when we have a fixed mindset we can use strategies to change it to a Growth Mindset to develop our intelligence, skills and talents. One strategy is "Change your words to Change your Mindset". Use the chart below to get you started on changing your words and as a family work on coming up with your own chart!

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Parents

It is that time of the year again to celebrate the different holidays all around the world. Pinewood Elementary would like to participate in the Toys for Tots organization by helping collect toys for those children less fortunate than some.

If you are interested in helping please send in an unopened new toy to school with your child to put in our donation box. We will be collecting toys until December 2nd.

Thank you for all you do in helping our school make a difference.
PTA helps parents, students, school, staff and communities work together to share ideas about programs and activities that benefit children.

Our PTA provides information and resources that strengthen the connections between children, parents, schools, and the community.

Our affiliation with the National PTA also helps us work toward our goal of becoming a FIVE Star School. Please join by filling out the attached membership form and returning it along with the appropriate membership fee to your child’s teacher. In return, you will receive a personalized PTA membership card for each person that joins. If you would like more information, please contact the PTA membership Vice Presidents, Shana Bruno or Heather Rogers at pwemembership@gmail.com

Sincerely,
Shana Bruno & Heather Rogers
Pinewood Elementary School PTA

Pinewood Elementary 2016-2017 PTA Membership Form

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For Treasurer Use Only

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**** Make Checks Payable to PWE PTA ****
Don’t’ forget to check out our school website for the latest updates!!

It is our goal to provide our families of Pinewood Elementary School students, an informative place on the Web to learn more about our school. We believe that good communication is a key to our students’ success, and the website is an integral tool that will help us achieve our goals. You’ll find information for parents under Parents or PTA section, so you know how you can make a difference in your child’s education.

Our website is updated frequently to list the latest events and school information. You can view the Back to School Information, School Calendar, Announcements, Newsletters, Frequently Asked Questions and much more.

2016 – 2017 Information on the website

- Supply Lists
- School Calendar – Yearly, Monthly
- Dress Code
- Student Code of Conduct

You can choose to subscribe to our Internet School Calendar, by clicking on “Subscribe” button on our Monthly Calendar page.

Visit and bookmark us at
http://pwe.martinschools.org

Thank you to all the volunteers for making the Glow Dance such a fun event!

A big shout out to Rusano’s Pizza in Palm City for supporting the Glow Dance.
KINDERGARTEN
This past month, we have worked really hard on our academic and listening skills, while having lots of fun. The Martin Co. Fire Department paid us a visit and brought us lots of goodies to celebrate National Fire Prevention Week. We enjoyed learning about firefighters, fire safety, fire engines, and ambulances. Thursday, November 3rd, is parent/teacher conference night. Thank you for your support outside of the classroom. We are truly seeing a difference in the classroom. Remember, if you have access to the internet, your child can log onto i-ready at home and practice reading and math skills. Please contact your child’s teacher for their login information. We ask as you gather with friends and family for the holidays, please be sure to include reading books that will help foster a love for reading and help support your child’s reading skills!

SECOND GRADE
We are already in our second quarter of second grade and big things are happening! Math has us practicing our many strategies as we are working with double digits for addition and subtraction. It is important to know our basic facts, so that we are ready to apply and build upon what we know in our mathematical thinking. Nonfiction/Informational Reading is the newest focus for second grade in Reading and Writing. We are learning about the many parts of a non-fiction book-headings, subtitles, etc. and practicing at identifying them in our own non-fiction books that are on our just right reading level. We are learning how to identify the main idea and supporting details in our books as well. We are also applying what we are learning about in reading as we use what we learn, and write an informational piece on something that interests us. Eventually we will publish our non-fiction/informational piece and pass on what we know in our writing. We have created a few how to papers- using what we are an “expert” at and telling others how to do or use that skill.

THIRD GRADE
October was a busy month for our third grade students and their families. We were busy learning so many new things including how to prepare for a hurricane. During our Readers’ Workshop, we discovered the importance of characters and how they help move stories along. In writing, we wrote some realistic narratives while paying close attention to revision and editing. This has been a lot of fun! In math, we began laying the foundation for multiplication and division by learning about arrays and equal groupings. Parents, please continue looking and taking advantage of those teachable moments at home. Those real-world experiences are what learning is ultimately all about!

FIRST GRADE
First grade is excited to be starting the 2nd quarter. We are on the move in Science as we learn about force and motion. Students are interacting with the different ways that objects move, what happens when an object changes its motion, what happens when a force is applied to an object and why objects move fast or slow. Be on the lookout for ways to discuss force and motion with your child during your everyday activities. Playgrounds and sports activities are great places to identify and discuss different types of motion and the changes that occur when a force is applied. Geography is our focus in Social Studies. We are learning about the features and uses of maps and globes and will be locating specific areas on them. If you have any maps at home, please look at them with your child and send them in for the class to borrow. We would love to have a variety of maps to share with our classes. Reading and writing finds us emerged in nonfiction books. We are reading them and writing our own. Please help your child learn about the features of nonfiction books by discussing the table of contents, glossary and index when reading with them. Math keeps us going with applications of addition and subtraction. We continue our work with the meaning of the equal sign and determining if equations are true or false. We continue solving word problems with an unknown number in all positions and add to that adding with three numbers in our word problems. Please keep working on addition and subtraction facts with your child.
FOURTH GRADE

The last couple of weeks have been very exciting in fourth grade as we have transitioned from narrative reading and writing to informational. Students have been learning about the various text features and text structures common to informational texts. They have then used this knowledge to construct their own pieces of informational text. It has been so fun to read about the students’ various hobbies and interests. The kids are having a wonderful time learning from one another and growing as writers. Math in October has focused on equations - solving them, creating them, and describing them as well as factors and multiples. All of this work helps build the students’ background knowledge as the next unit moves into the multiplication and division of larger numbers. **We cannot stress enough the importance of quick recall with multiplication facts.** Just ten minutes a day can make a difference - in the car, before bedtime, during commercial breaks - any and all practice is beneficial. Thank you for your continued support as we assist in your children in growing as learners.

FIFTH GRADE

It’s hard to believe that we are already into November. We have been doing so many wonderful and exciting things in 5th grade. In the areas of Math and Science, we have already completed Unit 1 in both and are well into Unit 2, which includes some really fun learning experiences in matter. Please keep a look out for the supply list needed for the PBL matter lab and keep practicing the multiplication facts. In ELA, we will be starting an informational unit and will be working on informational and opinion essays, and it is our expectation that students are reading a minimum of 30 minutes nightly. Also, keep the lines of communication open with your child and their teacher. Our 1st incentive activity, building gingerbread houses, will take place in December for students who have not missed their weekly Panther Buck Goal more than 4 times between August and December.

ART NEWS

Fall is in the air in the art room. Kindergarten is learning about Pop Art and printing colorful leaves. 1st grade is using a unique technique to create fall trees. 4th grade is also creating trees in the style of artist Gustav Klimt. 2nd grade and 3rd grade are diving into underwater artworks and learning about the artist Wyland. 5th graders have been using their color theory knowledge to paint unique chameleons. Keep your eyes out for new artwork going up around campus.

K-Kids News: At our last meeting the club decided to make donations to help Hurricane Help for Haiti. They will be also collecting spare change for UNICEF while trick or treating this year. Our annual food drive for the House of Hope will be November 7-18 and the class that collects the most items will win a popsicle party!

MUSIC

Music class at Pinewood is a blast! We have been learning about music theory with games called board races and rhythm baseball. With a little bit of creativity, learning can be fun and exciting. All students got to see and hear a live demonstration of a brass instrument called the Bugle. Ask your child about it and see how much they remember! The Performing Panthers sang their first performance at the mARTies Awards Ceremony and did an excellent job. On Veteran’s Day they will be walking the parade and singing two songs at the ceremony in Memorial Park afterwards for our Veterans. They are honored to have the opportunity to sing at these two great events. We would like to thank James Riordan for volunteering to donate a parade banner to our choir. Due to rising school population, we are in need of two more keyboards in the keyboard lab. If you know anyone who would be interested in helping please have them adopt Mr. Robbins’ music class. We hope you are just as excited about the upcoming month as we are!
Meet the Literacy and Math Coaches of Pinewood

Second Quarter is HERE! With the new quarter come new learning opportunities for our students. As you know Martin County School District uses standards based grading which means students have the entire year to master the content of the Florida Standards however, in each quarter there is a new emphasis of learning for each grade level in all content areas. Students will continue to work towards mastery in the previous standards covered as well as use that knowledge to increase their proficiency with the new standards. As coaches we will continue to support teachers and parents with helping students gain mastery of previously covered standards and enhance learning opportunities for those being covered this quarter. Below you will find what your child will be working on in Second Quarter.

Dayna Carroll K-2 Literacy Coach
Andrea Asciutto-Houck 3-5 Literacy Coach
Kelly Raiford K-2 Math Coach
Jennifer Parker 3-5 Math Coach

### Grade Level Units across PWE

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<td>Readers Use Superpowers! Reading with print strategies and sight word power</td>
<td>Writing True Stories About Our Lives Writers think about moments in their lives that they want to share with the world through writing them down.</td>
<td>Building counting knowledge, students will continue to work towards 100 in counting by 1’s &amp; 10’s. Students will identify, build, and draw 2D &amp; 3D shapes. Students will end the quarter by understanding the work of addition &amp; subtraction and begin work with foundations of place value.</td>
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<td>1st Grade</td>
<td>Non-Fiction Readers Lean About the World Readers will learn about text features and how books can help them learn about the world around them.</td>
<td>Non-Fiction Chapter Books Students will write informational text using all they are learning about the features during reading.</td>
<td>Students will use addition and subtraction to solve problems and equations with an emphasis on fluency to 10. Students will use knowledge of place value with two digit numbers to compare. They will mentally find 10 more or 10 less. They will identify and combine values of money.</td>
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<td>Reading Non-Fiction, Reading the World Students will read and identify main idea and text features within non-fiction text.</td>
<td>Informational Writing Students will write informational text using all they are learning about the characteristics of the genre</td>
<td>Students will use and explain the use of addition &amp; subtraction strategies of place value &amp; properties of operations with numbers to 1,000. Tell time to the nearest 5 minutes; relate addition &amp; subtraction to money, measurement and arrays. Add &amp; subtract using mental strategies within 20.</td>
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<td>3rd Grade</td>
<td>Building a Reading Life This unit helps students develop nonfiction reading skills such as determining importance and finding the main idea and key details and using new content-specific vocabulary.</td>
<td>Expository Writing Students will work through the writing process to examine a topic and write to inform or explain using precise language.</td>
<td>Students will work towards mastery of multiplication and division within 100 to solve word problems through application of properties of operations, solving two-step word problems using all four operations, and equations relating three whole numbers. Students will also work with arithmetic patterns through use of previous understanding of properties of operations, relation of measuring, estimating volume, and intervals of time to find patterns, and multiplication and division within 100.</td>
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<td>Reading The Weather, Reading the World Students will develop a passion for non-fiction text through instruction and book clubs</td>
<td>Informational Writing Students will write informational text using all they are learning about the characteristics of the genre</td>
<td>Students will work towards mastery of multiplication and division using strategies based on place value, the properties of operations, and/or the relationship between multiplication and division. They will use multistep word problems using all four operations. Students will also work with area and perimeter formulas in real world problems using relative sizes of measurement units within one system of units, and generating of patterns.</td>
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<td>Integration of Informational Text Readers know that for the importance of their academic and professional success, they need to learn to do rapid, on the run research and synthesizing</td>
<td>Informational Writing Students will need to “examine a topic and convey information and ideas clearly”.</td>
<td>Students will work towards mastery of place value including use of exponents, expanded form, decimals to thousandths, and rounding of decimals. They will add and subtract fractions with unknown denominators, demonstrating understanding through solving real world problems. They will represent fractions as data on a line plot and use addition and subtraction of fractions to solve problems using the information given. They will apply and extend previous understandings of division to divide fractions. Students will also begin applying and extending previous understandings of multiplication to multiply fractions.</td>
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K-KIDS FALL FOOD DRIVE November 7- November 18

Class that collects the most items wins a Popsicle party!

Proceeds benefit the:

House of Hope

ADOPT A CLASS

All classroom adoptions are submitted online through the Education Foundation of Martin County. Please go to the site below to find a listing of all teachers that could benefit from your generosity. Thank you for supporting the children and staff at Pinewood Elementary.

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