



Spring Creek Elementary

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We are proud to be an A+ - Five Star - Title-I school.

Karen Leonardi
Principal



Panther Pride Paw Prints from the Principal

Dear Parents,
This week, firefighters from the Bonita Springs Fire Department presented special programs and visited all classrooms to educate students about fire safety. Please take time to ask your children what they learned and together develop an emergency plan for your family.

Thank you to the volunteers who helped make the Flu Clinic (held Saturday) such a success. Almost 600 children received flu vaccinations. The Lee County Health Department and the Visiting Nurses Association kept things moving quickly. Thanks to: Mr/ Mrs. Mancuso, Mrs. Wheeler, Miss. Bosland, Mrs. Hancock, Mrs. Arango and daughter Carolina, plus Mr. Vern, Mrs. Sheckler and Mrs. Leonardi for helping the families.

Remember there is no school for students on Thursday and Friday. Have a pleasant loooong weekend.

Free Online Access to Electronic Information Databases from Home!

The Lee County School District now has an electronic resource portal that adults and students can access from home. These databases provide excellent resources for you and your child. If you would like to use our databases, please go to <http://search.ebscohost.com>. The **Id** is **lee** and the **Password** is **schools**.

HEALTH SCREENINGS

Vision, height, weight and hearing screenings for the 1st and 3rd grades has been postponed to November 19th, 2009. Kindergarten classes will be done on an individual basis.

PTO THANK YOU

A special thank you to Ms. Webster, Mrs. Ross and Mrs. Whitmire and Mrs. Arango for their help in passing out food, translating and greeting all the children at the PTO pizza night. Thanks to Publix at Pelican Landing and Sweetbay for the generous donations for the PTO Board. During Pizza night, PTO was able to raise \$183.43. Thank you again for your continued support!

Halloween is Coming

Please remember children are **not to wear costumes to school**. Remind your child to never go "trick or treating" alone. Always have him/her stay in a group. Visit this website, <http://offender.fdle.state.fl.us/offender/homepage.do> to check your neighborhood to ensure your children have a safe, secure and happy Halloween.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT WORKSHOPS

Please plan on coming to our parent and student workshop on Monday, October 26 at 6:00 to 7:00 PM. There will be two sessions offered. One session will be focused on 3rd, 4th and 5th grade writing expectations that relate to FCAT Writes. The other session will be about KG, 1st or 2nd grade development of writing. There will be translators for both sessions. There will be drawings for children's door prizes in each session. We hope to see you there!

RIF (Reading is Fundamental) Distribution

On Thursday, October 15th, the first Reading Is Fundamental, Inc. (RIF) distribution of the school year took place in the media center at Spring Creek Elementary. This program prepares and motivates children to read by delivering free books to children and families who need them most. All RIF programs combine three essential elements to foster children's literacy: reading motivation, family and community involvement, and the excitement of choosing free books to keep. Many parents were on hand to assist students during the distribution. Following the distribution, motivational activities took place in the classroom to promote a love for reading.

The next RIF distribution will take place on Wednesday, December 9th. If you would like to volunteer to distribute books to the students, please contact Ms. Donnelly in the media center.

FLU SEASON

Flu season is here.

Prevention is the key to staying "Flu Free".

1. Wash Hands - thoroughly and often
2. With Fever - keep your child home. Do not send your child to school with a fever. A child must be fever free for 24 hours!
3. Cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing by using your arm or a tissue.
4. Avoid sharing sodas, bottled water, etc.
5. Oh, and wash hands, wash hands, wash hands!

Parents, for the health and welfare of all students, if your child is ill or has a fever, please keep your child home.

For up-to-date information about H1N1 (Swine) Flu visit <http://www.myflusafety.com> or call 1- 877-352-3581.

RED RIBBON WEEK

We want all our children to make healthy, safe choices. Just say "No" to drugs, alcohol and tobacco sets them on a responsible path to adulthood. Red Ribbon Week honors these healthy choices to say "NO!"

- **Monday** - Red Bracelets
- **Tuesday** - Crazy socks and Red Bracelets
- **Wednesday** - Red shirt, red socks and red bracelets.

LOGO JACKETS

With cooler weather, our school is able to offer warm navy blue fleece jackets with school logo. The jacket is available in all sizes. Orders take 3 weeks for delivery. Stop by to complete an order form.

DEFINING MOMENTS

These are the enrichment words for the week. Please work with your child so he/she can become familiar with them and expand his/her vocabulary.

1. **Eerie** – weird or strange; scary
2. **Lollygag** – to fool around; dawdle
3. **Obstacle** – someone or something that gets in your way



11/01 Daylight Savings Time Ends!
Turn your clocks **back** one hour before going to bed Saturday night!

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Mark Your Calendar

Oct. 23 - 31
Red Ribbon Week

10/26 Parent Workshop
Topic: Writing
6 PM

10/27 SAC Meeting 6 PM

10/28 End of 1st Quarter

10/29 Professional Duty Day - No School

10/30 Hurricane Make-Up Day - No School

10/31 Halloween
No costumes at school.

11/1 Daylight Savings Time - "Fall Back"

11/3 SAC 8:00 AM
PTO Cookie Day & Denim Day

11/5 3rd Grade Parent Conferences

11/6 Report Cards
Go Home

Breakfast Menu

Served Daily
8:45 - 9:05 a.m.

Monday:
Cinnamon French Toast Sticks, Cereal of choice, Fruit of choice or juice, milk

Tuesday:
Poptart, Cereal of choice, Fruit of choice or juice, milk

Wednesday:
Gilardi Max Stick, Cereal of choice, Fruit of choice or juice, milk

Thursday:
Superbakery Proball, Cereal of choice, Fruit of choice or juice, milk

Friday:
Cereal bar, Fruit of choice or juice, milk

