



Dr. Mary Giella Elementary

October Newsletter



October, 2015

Upcoming Events October

- 2nd Attendance Celebration
- 5th Flu Mist Clinic
- 7th Pre-K Parent Meeting
- 7th 4th Grade Parent Conference
- 15th Beef O' Brady's Spirit Night
- 22nd Skate Night @ Locomo
- 22 -30th Book Fair

November

- 2nd Report Cards go home
- 5th Attendance Celebration
- 5th Beef O' Brady's Spirit Night
- 6th 3rd Grade MOSI Trip
- 6th Fall Festival
- 12th Fall Picture Make-ups
- 16-20th Dental Bus
- 18th Great American Teach In
- 19th Movie Night
- 20th Progress Reports

23rd – 27th School Closed



be here!

EVERY DAY. ALL DAY. ALL THE WAY!

Perfect attendance means no absences, no tardies, and no early dismissals. We want all our Dolphins here, "EVERY DAY, ALL DAY, ALL THE WAY!"

We are challenging each grade level to raise their percentage by 10% for the month of October.

Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Drop Off Procedures:

You have two choices.

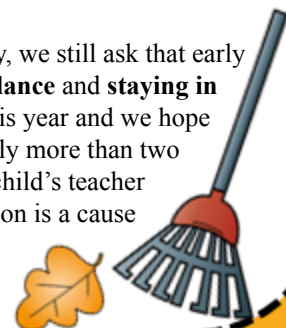
1. Drive through the loop and allow one of the school staff to open your door and your child(ren) will go to class.
2. Park in a spot and walk with your child ("Parent Walk-Up") to their classroom. Remember that you will need your identification scanned (second week of school) and you will receive a "badge" to be on our campus. Please do not park on the loop (where the covered walkway is), as this is where cars are unloading by staff-see #1 above.

Pick Up Procedures:

Make sure your "Car Tag" is visible on the right-side/passenger side of the dashboard/windshield.

We are going to group students in grade levels on the sidewalk. Older siblings will sit with their younger siblings. We will fill up to 9 cars at a time. There will be a school staff member calling names as you near the loading area. **Parents must stay in cars during dismissal.** Due to safety reasons and our new procedures- there will be no parent walk-ups to get a student during car rider dismissal.

If you need to pick up your child(ren) early, we still ask that early checkouts occur prior to 3:20 p.m. **Attendance and staying in school** are a focus for our school family this year and we hope that you do not pick up your child(ren) early more than two times a quarter. Please discuss with your child's teacher or administration if a medical or other reason is a cause for frequent early dismissals .



Attendance Percentage

Attendance plays a huge role in overall student achievement. We need students here every day all day! We will be tracking grade level attendance monthly.

Here is our Perfect Attendance data for the month of September:

- Kindergarten 27%
- First Grade 22%
- Second Grade 33%
- Third Grade 30%
- Fourth Grade 36%
- Fifth Grade 35%

Congratulations to Mrs. Miltner and Mrs. Williams' class for having the best percentage for perfect attendance!



Please don't forget to come
to the
FALL FESTIVAL
November 6th



**Out-of-Field Teaching
Assignments**

Individuals who are teaching out-of-field are certified in at least one area and are qualified to teach but are required to take additional course work or testing to add a coverage/endorsement to their certificate. The state also requires a teacher to take coursework/in-service towards an English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) endorsement, when the teacher is the primary language arts provider and/or reading teacher for an ESOL student.

The following teachers have agreed to work towards the ESOL endorsement:

**Michelle Jacobsen, Oldine Saintelus,
Adam Smith, Deborah Wells and
Jonathan Russell**



NOTICE TO BUILDING OCCUPANTS AND PARENTS

**NOTIFICATION OF INSPECTION FOR ASBESTOS
CONTAINING
MATERIALS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a final rule, 40 CFR Part 763, Asbestos Containing Material in schools, commonly referred to as AHERA. This rule requires all Local Education Agencies (LEA's) to identify asbestos containing materials (ACM) in their school buildings and to take appropriate actions to control the release of asbestos fibers.

All inspections for Dr. Mary Giella Elementary have been completed and a Management Plan describing the results of the inspection and the action plan to control any asbestos found during the inspection, where applicable, has been submitted to the governor for approval. A copy of this plan is located in the administrative office of this school and at the Pasco County Schools Maintenance & Facility Services Department and is available for review upon request.



**Ask your children
about the reading
incentives at
Mary Giella!**



**We would like to recognize
those who have assisted in
making our school
successful!**

- 🍂 Locomo
- 🍂 Heritage Pines
- 🍂 The Niner of Heritage Pines
- 🍂 Book Club of Heritage Pines
- 🍂 Covanta - Lattie Kelley
- 🍂 Racetrac
- 🍂 Marjorie Hope
- 🍂 Publix (Countyline and State Rd 52)
- 🍂 Beef O' Bradys
- 🍂 Ron's BBQ
- 🍂 First United Methodist Church
- 🍂 Spring Hill FOE
- 🍂 Carl Crawford
- 🍂 Tom Bailey

**** We would also like to thank all our
volunteers, for all your help.****

