

Dolphin Dialogue

October 25, 2024

Principal's Blurb - Ms. Jami Miner

This has been another exciting week at Lewis Carroll! As we begin to enter the most exciting time of the year, please make sure to remember the importance of routine and consistency. As a reminder, the academic school day begins at 8:00AM. That means "8 is late!" Students should be in the classroom ready to begin instruction at 8:00 AM. Morning drop off begins at 7:30AM. The only students to arrive prior to 7:30AM are AM safety patrol and students who are paid BAS morning care. We have a break in our drop off from about 7:40-7:50AM for those who are looking to expedite their drop off. Also, please make sure your child is ready to exit the car upon arrival.

Please make sure to check out our upcoming activities below:

Important Dates & Information

Date	Week of 10/28/24 - Activity Week B
Oct.	October's Resiliency Florida Skill of the Month: Honesty
10/25	Impact Aid Survey Opens! Please log into FOCUS to complete it.
10/25-11/1	Book Fair Lewis Carroll Elementary will host their fall book fair October 25th - November 1st. Students will shop during their media activity time. Students will be required to have a signed permission form to participate. This will come home with the flyer.
10/28-11/1	RED RIBBON WEEK CELEBRATION – Join us in saying "No!" to drugs. See our daily activities below.
10/31	Vocabulary Parade Event Grades K-6 Students in Grades K-6 will represent a vocabulary word in the form of a costume. Flyers/Permission forms were sent

home this week. Permission forms are required to participate. For fun ideas, just google "School Vocabulary Parade Ideas!"

Helpful Tips for Parents

CAR LOOP PLACARDS:

Car placards are required for ALL student pickup. This is to include clubs and activities. If you need a car placard, please email lacy.megan@brevardschools.org.

In addition, we ask that once your child is loaded, you remove the placard. This lets staff know that you are all set to go. If we see a placard displayed this will prompt us to do second calls for students.

STAY INFORMED:

Download the FOCUS App on your phone.

Follow the Official Lewis Carroll Elementary Facebook Page by visiting:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100094645154323>

Review our school website by visiting: <https://www.brevardschools.org/o/lce>

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you're interested in helping foster a positive learning environment for all students, there are several volunteer opportunities available. You can assist teachers in the classroom, help with school events, or even serve on the parent-teacher association. Learn more about becoming a registered volunteer here: [Volunteers | Brevard Public Schools \(brevardschools.org\)](https://www.brevardschools.org/volunteers)

PARENT/STUDENT LUNCHES

All visitors for school lunches must be current approved/registered volunteers and must be on the child's contact list. Parent/Student lunches will begin on Tuesday, October 15th. All spots must be reserved using the link below:

Link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094FAEAD2EA0FEC25-52012905-lunch>

**HURRICANE
UPDATE**



VACATION PLANNING

STUDENT HOLIDAY DATES 2024-2025

3-DAY WEEKENDS*

Teacher Work Day

Sat. 10/12/24 - Mon. 10/14/24

Veteran's Day

Sat. 11/9/24 - Mon. 11/11/24

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Sat. 1/18/25 - Mon. 1/20/25

THANKSGIVING BREAK

Mon. 11/25/24 - Wed. 11/27/24*

*Hurricane Make-Up Days (no school if not used)

Thurs. 11/28/24 - Fri. 11/29/24

Students Return on Monday 12/2/24

WINTER BREAK

Mon. 12/23/24 - Fri. 1/3/25

Students Return on Monday 1/6/25

FULL DAY FRIDAYS**

Friday, 11/1/24

Friday, 11/8/24

Friday, 11/15/24

Friday, 11/22/24

Friday, 12/6/24

SPRING BREAK

Fri. 3/14/25 - Fri. 3/21/25

Students Return on Monday 3/24/25

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Wed. 5/28/25

*Monday 2/17/25 and Friday 4/18/25 are now REGULAR SCHOOL DAYS

**Changed from early release day to regular school day

COMPLETE
the Impact Aid Survey
through FOCUS 

TODAY

to help your student's
classroom win an



IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL SITE

GET READY FOR A

MONSTER BOOK FAIR



October 25th - November 1st
8:30 am - 2:00 pm

All purchases will directly support our school.

↳ Ways to Shop

- Cash or credit. NO CHECKS
- E-wallet. Shop online or set up your child's e-wallet using this site.

scholastic.com/bf/LewisCarrollelementarysch

Students will
shop on their
media day

**FAMILY NIGHT &
TABLE-OR-TREAT
EVENT**

October 25th
6:00-8:00 pm



Red Ribbon week 2024

Oct. 28th – Nov. 1st

<p>Monday Wear RED Day!</p>	 <p>DRUG FREE UNITY ZONE Wear Red Day</p>
<p>Tuesday Wear Cowboy boots and "Give drugs the BOOT!"</p>	 <p>GIVE DRUGS THE BOOT!</p>
<p>Wednesday Wear Orange and Black and say BOOOO to drugs!</p>	
<p>Thursday Vocabulary Parade!</p>	 <p>Parade</p>
<p>Friday Wear your favorite team jersey and Team up against drugs!</p>	 <p>TEAM UP AGAINST DRUGS</p>

VOCABULARY PARADE

LEWIS CARROLL ELEMENTARY -GRADES K-6



MONARCH



ATHLETIC



FLUFFY



MECHANICAL

WHAT: DRESS YOUR CHILD AS A VOCABULARY WORD OF YOUR CHOICE.

WHEN: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31

DETAILS:

- COSTUMES MUST BE SCHOOL APPROPRIATE.
- STUDENTS SHOULD HAVE A SIGN SHOWING THEIR VOCABULARY WORD AND BE ABLE TO EXPLAIN THE DEFINITION THAT THEIR WORD REPRESENTS. THIS SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO THE COSTUME OR WORN AROUND THE NECK.
- NO MASKS OR TOY WEAPONS ALLOWED.
- PLEASE RETURN SIGNED PERMISSION SLIP IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.

****PERMISSION FORMS WENT HOME – PLEASE CHECK BACKPACKS!****

FLORIDA RESILIENCY SKILLS

Florida is leading a first-in-the-nation approach that empowers students to persevere and overcome life's inevitable challenges. The Florida Department of Education developed state education standards and resources to equip students with skills that build resiliency. Each month, Brevard Schools Foundation will be sharing a Resiliency Skill of the Month, along with parent resources from FLDOE's resiliency toolkit. October's skill is **Honesty**. Visit www.buildresiliency.org for more information. October Skill Flyers attached to the email.

Fundraisers

STUDENT RECOGNITION ON THE MARQUEE

NOW ACCEPTING REQUESTS for your child to be recognized on the school marquee. This will be a great way to celebrate birthdays, recognize achievements, and more! You may purchase a week slot for \$10. Forms are available in person only in the front office. Please bring exact cash or check.

PERSONALIZED PARKING SPACES / BUSINESS SPONSORED VISITOR SPOTS

Brevard Public Schools now offers advertising opportunities for local businesses. Sponsoring a Visitor Parking sign would be \$250 per year and renewal at \$225, with PBS providing the sign and approving the artwork from the sponsor. Families may also sponsor their own spaces for priority parking (limit 10 per school year). For more information, please email Poindexter.peggy@brevardschools.org.



FENCE BANNERS

New Banners will be approved through the district sign shop and cost \$1000 per year. If sign shop makes the banner additional one time cost of \$128. Donations equivalent to \$1000 can also be accepted in exchange for yearly banner contract. Banner requests can be submitted to the front office/bookkeeper. For more information, please email

Poindexter.peggy@brevardschools.org.

Lewis Carroll Business Partners

Business partners play an important role in schools. If you are interested in becoming a business partner or learning more about what a partnership may mean for your business, please reach out to our business partner contact Mrs. Caskey at:

caskey.marianne@brevardschools.org.

Thank you to our current Business Partners:

- Corebridge Financial
- Dunkin Donuts Merritt Island
- Grand Canyon University
- Launch Credit Union
- Domino's Pizza Merritt Island
- Holiday Inn Club Vacations
- HydroGeoLogic, Inc. (HGL)
- Kelsey's Pizza, Merritt Island
- Equitable Solutions

Lewis Carroll Elementary Needs

WOOT WOOT WAGON!

Beginning in Quarter 2, we will have the “Woot, Woot! Wagon” at LCE. The Literacy Coach will be visiting classrooms to recognize students who have been working hard on iReady. To stock our “Woot, Woot! Wagon” we are asking for donations. We have started an Amazon Wishlist which can be found here:

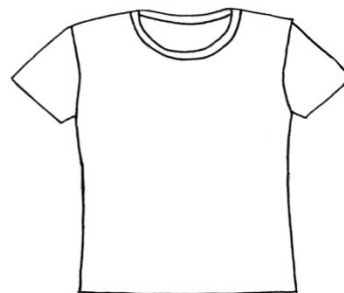


https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2P3BBTMDXCDNZ?ref_=wl_share

In addition, we will always take in-person donations. Any sort of little trinket is appreciated. Clearance rack items are the best!

STAFF SHIRTS

Lewis Carroll Elementary School is currently looking for sponsors for our 2024-2025 staff shirts. Shirts are worn each Wednesday and at special events throughout the year and summer. If you are interested in sponsoring staff shirts, please email: miner.jami@brevardschools.org. We have approximately 80 school employees.



Community Events / Partnership

THANKSGIVING MEALS

The Sharing Center will be serving a traditional Thanksgiving Day meal, and Lewis Carroll families are welcome to join The Sharing Center of Brevard on Thanksgiving Day from 11am-1pm. The Sharing Center will not be providing Thanksgiving Food Baskets this year.

If you have any questions, please email our school counselor Ms. Welch at welch.sherry@brevardschools.org.



MILITARY FAMILIES

Please make sure to visit our new tab on our webpage under Parents and Students to learn more about “Purple Star” and our dedication to military families and their service.

We plan to showcase our military families in our front display case. We have several activities plan for the year as well to honor your families and our service members. Thank you for all you do. If you would like your family to be recognized/showcased, please send a photo of your family to: miner.jami@brevardschools.org.

DENTAL INSURANCE WITH FLORIDA KIDCARE

Learn the ABCs of Routine Back-to-School Checkups with Florida KidCare

Let's face it: Balancing back-to-school season and healthy habits can be hard for busy parents. But it doesn't have to be! By following the ABCs of routine checkups, you can make sure your child's health and wellness are a top priority going into the new school year.

- Aim to schedule your child's annual checkup before they head back to school.
 - Bring any medical documents for school that must be signed by your child's pediatrician.
 - Check to make sure your child is up to date on required immunizations.
 - Don't forget to get a sports physical to ensure that your child can safely participate in extracurricular activities.
 - Educate yourself on important developmental milestones to make sure your child is staying on track.
- Find coverage for checkups, vaccinations, mental health services and more through Florida KidCare.

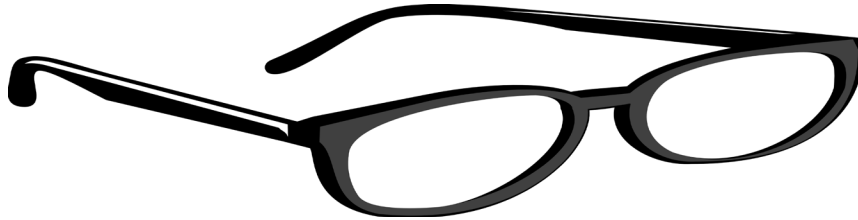


Join the millions of families who count on Florida KidCare for the high-quality health and dental insurance they need from birth until the 19th birthday. Services are delivered through quality plans that offer a choice of local doctors, dentists, specialists, hospitals, pharmacies and other health care providers. Florida KidCare includes free, subsidized and competitively priced options based on family income and household size. Families who do not qualify for free or subsidized coverage may purchase a competitively priced plan. With no application fee and year-round enrollment, NOW is the time to apply! Simply fill out the application, and Florida KidCare will match your child with the right option.

Apply online at floridakidcare.org or call 1-888-540-KIDS (5437)

MOBILE EYE CARE UNIT

Florida Heiken will be providing free eye exams or vouchers to all families that apply on any internet enabled device through www.floridaheiken.org. Eligible families may qualify for free glasses. This service is for students in grades Pre-K through 12. Exams will be scheduled during the month of November. Applications are due by October 11, 2024.



FREE AND REDUCED APPLICATIONS:



Apply today for

Free and Reduced Price Meal Benefits!

Scan the QR code below:



Or apply online using your computer, tablet, or mobile device:

<https://www.brevardschools.org/o/bps/page/free-and-reduced-lunch-applications>