

# THE PAW PRINT

Mr. Jason Sherburne, Principal

Mr. Rick Dillon, Assistant Principal

Longleaf Families,

As we head into these last weeks of school, I would like to encourage our students to keep pushing forward and continuing to do their best. FSA testing for grades 3-6 will be coming the first week of May and I want to encourage plenty of rest and good attendance. I am so proud of the many accomplishments we have had, and I look forward to a great ending to the school year! A BIG thanks to our parents/guardians for your continued support and helping us achieve our goals.

Respectfully, Principal Sherburne

### School Advisory Council Update

In April, the School Advisory Council held the last meeting of the school year, adopted new bylaws, and voted in officers for the 2022-23 school year. SAC officers assuming the new positions on July 1, 2022, are Ms. Kledzik, Media Specialist and Ms. Ruth Singer, parent, as co-chairs, Ms. Farah Shakoorian as treasurer, and Ms. Jess Hopkins as secretary. The first SAC meeting of the upcoming school year is scheduled for August 24 at 4:15 PM in the media center. The Longleaf community is welcome to attend.



for FSA 2022

**Dear Parents/Guardians:** 

State Testing (FSA) will begin the week of April 4<sup>th</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> for students in Grades 3-6. It is important that your child is in school during the mandated FSA Testing window. Below you will find the testing dates by grade level for planning purposes. Since testing takes place primarily during the morning time, it would be greatly appreciated if you could schedule any appointments for the afternoon or on a different day. Thank you in advance! Your flexibility and cooperation are truly appreciated!

#### **GRADE 3** •ELA Session 1- Tuesday, April 5, 2022, •MATH Session 1- Thursday, May 5, 2022 •ELA Session 2- Wednesday, April 6, 2022, •MATH Session 2- Friday, May 6, 2022 GRADE 4 •WRITING - Thursday, April 7, 2022, •MATH Session 1- Thursday, May 5, 2022 •MATH Session 2- Friday, May 6, 2022 •ELA Session 1- Tuesday, May 3, 2022 •ELA Session 2- Wednesday, May 4, 2022 GRADE 5 •WRITING - WRITING - Thursday, April 7, 2022, •MATH Session 1- Thursday, May 5, 2022 •MATH Session 2- Friday, May 6, 2022 •ELA Session 1- Tuesday, May 3, 2022 •ELA Session 2- Wednesday, May 4, 2022 •SCIENCE Session 1- Monday, May 16, 2022, •SCIENCE Session 2- Tuesday, May 17, 2022 **GRADE 6** •WRITING - Thursday, April 7, 2022, •MATH Session 1- Thursday, May 5, 2022 •MATH Session 2- Friday, May 6, 2022 •ELA Session 2- Wednesday, May 4, 2022 Tips You Should Do the Night Before the FSA...

- 1. Go to bed early and get a good night's sleep
- 2. Eat a healthy breakfast
- 3. Arrive to school early
- 4. Think positive thoughts
- 5. Do your personal best

•ELA Session 1- Tuesday, May 3, 2022

### **MAY CALENDAR**

MAY 2 • New and Renewal Educational Location Option (ELO) Applications for Elementary Schools Opens MAY 3-6 • FSA TESTING FOR STUDENTS GRADES 3-6 MAY May 4 • PTO Meeting 5:30pm in Media Center MAY 9-MAY 13 • Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week May 16 • PTO Fall Festival Planning Committee Meeting 3pm Media Center (RSVP Please) MAY 16-17 • FSA TESTING FOR GRADE 5 MAY 24-26 • Exam Days/Early Dismissal MAY 26 • End of Second Semester/Last Day for Students MAY 26 • Elementary Report Cards Issued MAY 27 • Post Planning/Last Day for Teachers

### Education Location Option (ELO)

ELO is an open enrollment process for K-12<sup>th</sup> grade students enabling the selection of school located outside of the family's residential zoned school of attendance. New and Renewal Education Location Option (ELO) for Elementary Schools application window is from May 2-June 3, 2022, for students entering K-6<sup>th</sup> grade in the 2022-2023 school year. See FAQ's and Terms and Conditions.

For more information, please visit our open enrollment website by clicking **HERE**.

### **Survey for Parents of Students with Disabilities**

The ESE Parent Survey provides families with PreK - 12<sup>th</sup> grade students an opportunity to provide feedback to the district regarding schools' facilitation of parent involvement as a means of improving services and results for students with disabilities. The window this year has been extended to June 30, 2022. Please use this link: https://www.esesurvey.com to complete the survey.

Parents will be asked to select their child's school district, school name, and enter their child's grade and date of birth. All information given by the parent on the survey will be kept confidential and will not be linked to student or parent individually identifiable data.



### From the Cafeteria

Thank you all for a SUPER year and supporting the Longleaf Cafeteria. Just a reminder we do have lots of options for end of year party treats. Please call or email me with any questions.

We look forward to seeing you in August.

Have a GREAT summer!



Longleaf has a new PTO organization and we are gearing up for membership in the fall. If you have a talent and the time, we would love to have help in planning a Fall Festival for Longleaf. If you are interested, come join us May 16, 2021, at 3pm in the Media Center. RSVP to <u>bobcatpto4290@gmail.com</u>

- PTO Meeting May 4 5:30pm in Media Center
- PTO Fall Festival Planning Committee Meeting May 16 3pm in Media Center.

Don't forget to check out the most recent PTO update that was emailed and posted on Facebook.



### Longleaf Facebook Page

Did you know the Longleaf Facebook page is kept up to date sharing upcoming events as well as a peek into the fun at Longleaf? Check out our Bobcats at:

https://www.facebook.com/LongleafElementaryBPS

### Contact Us

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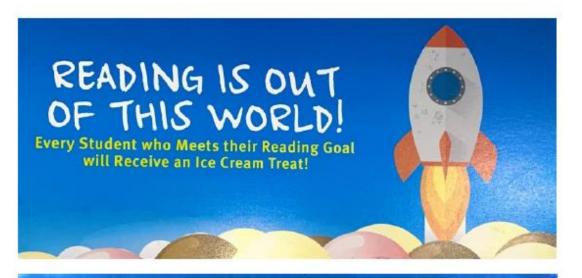
Website: http://www.brevardschools.org/longleafes



#### **Reading Challenges**

Instead of our regular monthly reading log, the PTO will be hosting a read-a-thon where students read for pledges and earn prizes! Students will have an opportunity to select books from a book give-away to read for the read-a-thon as well as the summer reading challenge. Below is the information about the summer reading challenge. Students and families will be provided with information to access Sora for the summer reading challenge prior to summer break.

Happy Reading!!



### Give this list to your teacher by August 18, 2022 and you will join the reading party!

Reading Goals for Incoming Grades • K-2nd read at least 10 books • 3rd-6th read at least 8 multi-chapter books

United Way has partnered with Brevard Public Schools to keep students reading this summer.

Did you know that children can lose one to three months of learning over the summer? It's called the Summer Slide.

Reading is the key to learning. If students stop reading during the summer, they can be behind their classmates during the next school year in reading, writing, and comprehension. This makes keeping up in class hard!

That's why it is really important for parents to help their children stop the "Summer Slide" by reading. Visit https://sites.google.com/a/share.brevardschools. org/librarymedia/summer-reading or UWBrevard.org for links to reading ideas.

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#### Moms, Dads, Grandparents, Guardians, and Caregivers... is volunteering for you? Longleaf is the place where there is something everyone. All district approved volunteers welcome!

Thank you so much to all our amazing volunteers. Thousands of hours have been donated to Longleaf this school year from this group of dedicated individuals!

This year volunteers have been instrumental in getting Longleaf back to normal. Volunteers do so many things for our Bobcats around campus:



 Volunteer Room— teachers drop off various tasks they need completed including copies made, designing bulletin boards, cutting out items, laminating, organizing, and many more...



- Library/Media Center— checking in/out books, assisting students locate materials, shelving books, making library cards, organizing event materials, decorating/undecorating for our various events
- PE Program—Morning mile is up and running and volunteers are needed Monday, Wednesday, Friday mornings from 7:05-7:55 for the program to run smoothly. This is a program that benefits many students create a healthy habit.
- Cafeteria—assist with delivering meals to go home on Friday mornings, and other events as needed
- Classrooms—assist teachers in classrooms as requested by the teacher including routine help and special events
- · Field Trips—volunteer status is required to attend any field trip
- Parties/Functions during the day—volunteer status is required to help with all events on campus during the school day
- Book Fair, Holiday Shop, Boosterthon Fun Run, and other Fundraisers—volunteers status is required for all events on campus during the school day

If you would like to volunteer at Longleaf, apply online at the BPS District Webpage <u>https://www.brevardschools.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=2327</u>.

If you are already a volunteer and interested in volunteering at Longleaf, please email EddyLynn Kledzik at Kledzik.eddy@brevardschools.org to have your status verified and sign up!

ACTIVE volunteers are able to assist with parties, events, activities, fundraisers, and all other volunteer opportunities at Longleaf.



If you would like to attend these events, please sign up to become a volunteer!

### **Bobcat PBIS Events**

Longleaf is a PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support) school. Students earn Buddy Bucks for displaying the PAWS Expectations:



Positive Attitude Acting Responsibly and Respectfully Wise Choices Safety First



The BOBCAT BASH was a huge hit! Students were so excited to finally have Bobcat Bash back at Longleaf. Teachers organized activities, volunteers collected and delivered materials, and students enjoyed the activity of their choice. Among options were slime-making, glow party, gaga ball, kickball, basketball, knitting, painting, crafts, and more! Check out the amazing pictures on our Facebook page <u>https://www.facebook.com/LongleafElementaryBPS</u>

To end the year, we will open Buddy's Place in May for students to shop. Thanks to many donors, Buddy's Place has been well-stocked all year. In addition to fabulous family donations, our PTO did an amazing job finding business partners which donated items to fill Buddy's Place for the May shopping day.

We need to purchase a few \$25 Roblox gift cards for students who have been saving up Buddy Bucks for that prize. If anyone would like to donate a few dollars toward the purchase of those cards, please send it labeled for Buddy's Place.

Many thanks to our generous donors for all your support!!







### KINDERGARETEN REGISTRATION GOING ON NOW Register Today!

## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



### Location: Your home school

Children entering kindergarten for the first time must comply with Florida Statue 1003.21 regarding age, which states a child must be five years old on or before September 1. All children who will be six years old by February 1 of the school year, must attend school regularly during the entire school term.

#### Items needed for school registration:

- Original birth certificate or acceptable evident/documentation
- Compulsory immunizations records
- Current physical exam
- Two forms of residence verification



Use the QR Code to find your school https://www.brevardschools.org/ Contact your home school for more information.





#### Free or Low-Cost Health and Dental Insurance for Kids

Your child and their siblings could be one of the 179,000 children eligible for completely free or low-cost health and dental insurance through Florida KidCare – even if one or both parents are working.

Approximately 2.3 million children rely on Florida KidCare for the head-to-toe coverage they need from birth through the end of age 18. Florida KidCare is designed to provide services to children at each stage of growth and development. Health and dental services are delivered through quality plans that offer a choice of local doctors, dentists, specialists, hospitals, pharmacies and other health care providers.

Benefits include but are not limited to:

- Doctor Visits
   Surgeries
- Check-ups
   Immunizations
- Vision & Hearing
   Prescriptions
- Dental Care
   Emergencies
- Hospital Stays
   Mental Health Services

Florida KidCare includes free, subsidized and full-pay options based on family income and household size. Most families pay nothing at all for coverage, and many pay as little as \$15 or \$20 a month. Families who do not qualify for free or subsidized coverage may purchase a competitively priced full-pay plan.

Lawfully residing immigrant children are eligible without a waiting period, and information about a parent's immigration status won't be asked.

With no application fee and year-round enrollment, the time to apply is always now. 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)**.

### Help Your School Earn Money





**Benefiting Brevard Public Schools** 

### Here's how.

Register your CCU Visa Credit or Debit Card and CCU will make a donation to the school of your choice. Urge your friends to do the same and together we can all make a difference.

### How it works.

Fill out the simple and secure online form at: www.ccuflorida.org/bucks CCU will give a donation to the school you choose.

### Who can participate.

Any CCU member who has a valid CCU Visa Credit Card or Debit Card. If you have more than one card, you can register them all.\*



For more information or to register a card, go to www.ccuflorida.org/bucks

\*One registration per card. Cards issued to Savings Accounts or Health Savings Accounts are not eligible. Program runs annually from August 1 through July 31 of each year. Registrations expire July 31 of each year. To generate a new donation, submit a new online registration after July 31. Program may be cancelled by CCU and program terms or amount of donation may be changed by CCU without notice. No member or card information will be provided to Brevard Public Schools or any third party. Federally Insured by NCUA