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Mrs. Kathy Pasquariello - Principal

Mrs. Heather Folmar - Asst. Principal

**CALENDAR**

**February 2019**

- 5 - Reading and Math Fluency (1st-5th)
- 6 - PTA Board Meeting 10:00am.
- 6 - Intermediate Science Fair Parent Viewing night from 4:30-6:30pm
- 6-7 - Intermediate and Primary Science Fair
- 8 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Work Day
- 11-15 Kindness Week
- 13-14 - Kindergarten Shows
- 14 - Wear Pink and Green
- 15 - Buddy Bench Assembly
- 18 - SAC Meeting 2:30pm
- 20 - Spring Pictures
- 27 - Supper Club
- 28-March 1 - Authors Visit
- March 8 - Magic Show!

**FSA Testing Days for 3rd-5th**

- April 2-3 Reading Grade 3
- April 2 Writing for 4th and 5th
- May 1-2 Reading 4th and 5th
- May 7-8 Math 3rd - 5th
- May 9-10 Science Grade 5

To find forms, flyers, general information and more, check us out at [www.timbertracepta.weebly.com](http://www.timbertracepta.weebly.com)!

**Thank you Business Partners!**

- Meier Orthodontics
- SportsTyme
- Florida Power and Light
- Dr. Mimy's Children's Dentistry
- Mathnasium of Palm Beach Gdns/ Jupiter
- i9 Sports
- Hwang's Martial Arts
- Vargas Orthodontics
- Rising Sun Martial Arts of Jupiter
- Juuuicy Inc.
- The Salt Suite PGA
- Advanced Vision Care

If you would like more information

*Happy February TTES Families,*

February is the perfect month for us to celebrate and spotlight kindness. We will be enjoying school wide kindness activities throughout the week of Feb 11-15. We encourage you to take time to do "Random Acts of Kindness" at home as well. Show your child how doing kind deeds throughout the day can make others smile and brighten another persons day.

Our 3-5 graders have all completed their diagnostic assessments. Teachers are now analyzing the data to ensure we are building on student strengths and focusing on any needed areas of instruction. Diagnostic scores can be found on your child's SIS gateway page as well as all other district wide assessments. Please contact your child's teacher if you need information on how to access the gateway system. Data sheets with updated assessment information will be going home with students in grades 1-5 on February 11th.

As a reminder, school starts at 8:00 am. "7:50 is nifty and 8:00 is late". Support your child starting their day off on the right foot by getting them to school on time, allowing them their full instructional day and pick up at dismissal after 2:00 pm.

We send you kind thoughts and wishes from all of the staff at Timber Trace Elementary!

*Yours in education,  
Kathy Pasquariello*

**Positive Behavior Support**

Students who demonstrate being responsible, respectful, and safe on our campus are supported with various incentives. Proceeds from our Valentines Day fundraiser go towards these incentives. This year we are selling "Love Frogs" for \$5 each. Pre-sales began January 28th and will continue until our inventory runs out. These adorable frogs will be delivered to your child's class on Valentines Day. Don't delay!

**Social Media and Technology Use- Important Parent Information**

Access to Social Media sites is a huge challenge in this day and age. We at Timber Trace support the idea of NO social media in elementary school. Any type of social media, be it Instagram, Facebook, Snapchat or Tick Tock are all not designed for Elementary aged children. It is imperative as parents we are monitoring any access children have to technology. Find out more about Parental controls on devices. Talk with your children about appropriate usage. Put time limits on usage. If your child is playing video games, you should be monitoring what is taking place while they are playing and limit the time. We support strong parental guidelines for technology use at home. If you need more information about parental controls and guidelines for usage, please log onto Common Sense Media at [www.commonsensemedia.org](http://www.commonsensemedia.org) Click on the "Advice For Parents" link at the top of the page.

## **Buddy Bench Dedication**

On Thursday, February 14th, we will be dedicating our new Buddy Benches in honor of Ms. Calhoun, our PE teacher who passed away last year. The dedication of the benches will be promoting kindness and caring. This will be a great way to honor her ideas of being kind to everyone.

On Friday, February 15th, students will attend an assembly on the importance of having a kind and a caring attitude and never allowing anyone to use mean words. They will have a presentation from author Lovely Sheridan who will read her book called, "Be a Buddy Not a Bully".

## **Come Join the TTES Business Partners Team**

Dear Parents and Community Members: Forming a business partnership is a phenomenal opportunity for businesses to support your local schools. By becoming a business partner with Timber Trace Elementary, and making a tax-deductible donation, you will receive favorable exposure with over 980 local families and the community. Your entire donation will go towards the school to help purchase items including computer software, books, materials, supplies and much more. Business partners will receive recognition in the school newsletter and website, in our business partner webpage and PTA social media feeds, and most importantly, partnering to support the schools and our future generations! If you would like more information on becoming a TTES Business Partner, please contact Juan Uribe at: [Juan.Uribe@fpl.com](mailto:Juan.Uribe@fpl.com)

## **Invest in Timber Trace Tiger Trust!**

Thank you to all that have donated to Tiger Trust thus far! Investing in the Tiger Trust is a great way to show your Tiger Pride. Our annual investment program ensures that Timber Trace remains an A - rated, 5-star school. 100% of the proceeds go to PTA for our school - funding projects that enrich the education of every child at our school. Investors' names/photos will be posted in the Tiger Den's pathway, and the reward possibilities are extensive. All investments are tax-deductible. Contact the Tiger Trust coordinator with questions at [TimberTraceTigerTrust@yahoo.com](mailto:TimberTraceTigerTrust@yahoo.com).

## **Box Tops for Education**

It's the last Box Tops submission of the school year! Our school will be sending in the Box Tops we've collected by March 1, 2019. Our goal this school year is to earn \$2,000. You can help us reach our yearly goal and make our April earnings check big by sending in your Box Tops this month. This is the last chance for you to help our school earn cash this school year through Box Tops.

If you have Box Tops you still need to get to me, here are some optional tips that'll make the submission process easier:

- Bundle your Box Tops in groups of 10 or 50 using a sealable bag or envelope
- Tape Box Tops on a collection sheet

Once we send in all our Box Tops, our school will receive a check from Box Tops for Education™ in April. Thanks for your help!

## **Menchie's**

Celebrate Fall Break after-school at Menchie's on Friday, February 15! Menchie's will donate 20% of their sales that day back to Timber Trace. Remember to mention the school when ordering.

## **Media News**

What an EXCITING Literacy Week!! Thank you parents, teachers and students for helping us to Spread Literacy: One View At A Time!

Author Visits Scheduled for Thursday, February 28 with SSYRA Jr. Author, Ross Burach for K-2 and Friday, March 1st with John David Anderson for 3-5! We are super excited to host these two amazing authors!

Please join us for BAM (Books Art and Music, formally April is for Authors) Event on Saturday, March 2nd 9:30AM-4:30PM held at the Mandel Library and all along Clematis Street.

BAM Festival is a free book and music festival for all ages! Join us in downtown West Palm Beach as we celebrate authors such as: Elizabeth Acevedo, Tracey Baptiste, Brendan Kiely, LeUyen Pham, Sherri Duskey Rinker and more! Enjoy author readings and book signings. For additional information visit: [www.bamwpb.org](http://www.bamwpb.org)

## **Students Learn to Code at School and Home**

Timber Trace students are receiving an introduction to computer programming throughout the months of January and February. Code.org offers an opportunity for every student to try computer programming. If you've heard your child talk about Angry Birds, Ice Age, and Artist recently, they may be talking about Code.org activities. This free, engaging, online computer science curriculum is supported by generous donors including Amazon, Facebook, Google, the Infosys Foundation, Microsoft, and many more. New activities introduced this year include The Grinch and Dance Studio.

**Kindergarten** - Course A: <https://studio.code.org/s/coursea-2018> \*Kindergarten students do not require usernames or passwords. Students learn the basics of computer science and internet safety.

**First Grade** - Course B: <https://studio.code.org/s/courseb-2018> \*Sign in using the direct URL and picture password that will be sent home in Feb. Students learn the basics of computer science and internet safety.

**Second Grade** - Course C: <https://studio.code.org/s/coursec-2018> \*Sign in using the direct URL and picture password that will be sent home in Feb. Students create programs with sequencing, loops, and events. They will investigate different problem-solving techniques and learn how to respond to cyberbullying.

**Third Grade** - Course D: <https://studio.code.org/s/coursed-2018> Students develop their understanding of nested loops, while loops, conditionals, and events. Beyond coding, students learn about digital citizenship.

**Fourth Grade** - Course E: <https://studio.code.org/s/coursee-2018> Students start coding with algorithms, loops, conditionals, and events and then you'll move on functions.

**Fifth Grade** - Course F: <https://studio.code.org/s/coursef-2018> Students learn to use different kinds of loops, events, functions, and conditionals. Investigate different problem-solving techniques and discuss societal impacts of computing and the internet.

Intermediate students can access Code.org activities from a "Coding" or "Hour of Code" tile in the Student Portal. Grade 3-5 students have registered for Code.org student accounts and will use "pb" followed by student ID number for both username and password. (Example: pb12345678)