



PINE ISLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Good Afternoon Parents, Families, and Students!

October 6, 2023

LAST DAY OF THE 1st QUARTER - The last day of the 1st quarter is Friday, October 13, 2023.

NO SCHOOL / PROFESSIONAL DAY - There is NO school on Monday, October 16th, 2023.

CPTO MEETING - There is a scheduled meeting on October 17th at 3:30 p.m. in the media center. Parents can participate in person or join us on the TEAMS link. TEAMS link will be sent to all families via school messenger on October 12th.

CURRICULUM NIGHT - On Thursday, October 19, 2023 parents are welcome to attend one of two sessions at either 5:00 or 5:30 p.m. Parents DO NOT have to attend both sessions. The information provided will include information about your child's education such as benchmark assessments, progress monitoring, and grade level expectations. We hope to see you there!

KIWANIS FALL FESTIVAL - On Friday, October 27, 2023, the Kiwanis Club of Greater Pine Island will be supporting Pine Island Elementary Fall Festival from 5:00-7:00 p.m. The night time festival at school will include games, food, and Trunk-or-Treat. The Bobby Holloway Jr. Foundation is sponsoring bounce houses on Friday during the day and every class will have an opportunity to utilize the bounce houses during their PE class that day.

STORYBOOK PARADE - On Tuesday, October 31, 2023, we will be celebrating the fall season with a Storybook Parade. The parade will begin at approximately 9:15 a.m. and will follow a parade route around campus. Storybook characters should be chosen from your child's favorite books and be school appropriate. Please do not paint hair or face. Students should wear their costumes to school, but should have a change of clothes for the remainder of the day. Invitations will be sent to families soon about attending this exciting event.

FOCUS PARENT PORTAL - All families are being encouraged to create a FOCUS parent portal account and complete the three mandatory forms located on the portal. Some services will only be granted to students whose parents complete these forms. An example of this would be care in the clinic. To create your account, add a student, or change your password, please visit the [FOCUS Parent Portal](http://focus.leeschools.net) at <http://focus.leeschools.net>.

DISMISSAL CHANGES - For the safety of your student, please send all dismissal changes to the office. Email us at 0341.staff.office@leeschools.net or head to our website and click on DISMISSAL CHANGES. **Changes will not be taken over the phone.**

OUT OF FIELD TEACHERS - A. Rigsby, S. Postma, and A. Bailey.

FORTIFY FL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. By accessing FortifyFL, students and parents can share tips and information, pictures and videos and optionally submit their contact information. Learn more at <https://getfortifyfl.com/>

Looking forward to a successful 2023-2024 school years.

Sincerely, *Dr. Thomas C. Millins*