



THE TORCH

Monday	11-1	WCES PINK OUT DAY – wear pink. Day F in the Related Arts Schedule
Tuesday	11-2	Day F in the Related Arts Schedule
Wednesday	11-3	Wear School Spirit Attire. Early Release Day – Dismissal starts at 1:45. Day F in the Related Arts Schedule
Thursday	11-4	Day F in the Related Arts Schedule
Friday	11-5	Wear Blue for Cookie Monster’s Birthday. Day F in the Related Arts Schedule

Hello Warrior families! We appreciate the school spirit last week as students participated in Red Ribbon Week and Bullying Prevention activities. The Literacy Parade was the perfect ending to the week. Please continue to encourage your child to read daily. Children who read more are exposed to more words and have higher levels of achievement.

“Calling all 5th grade artists! We are looking for some awesome illustrators to design this year’s yearbook cover! Please see the attached flyer regarding contest rules and guidelines. This opportunity is for 5th graders only and the winning design will be chosen via a school-wide vote. All entries are due no later than Friday, November 12th, 2021. Please email Mrs. Stimson with any questions:
Julie.Stimson@stjohns.k12.fl.us “

At the beginning of the year, we provided a Positive Behavior Support handbook. School-wide Positive Behavior Support (PBS) is a collaborative, assessment-based approach to developing effective school-wide behavioral expectations. The emphasis is on the use of proactive, educative, and reinforcement-based strategies to achieve meaningful and durable

behavior and lifestyle outcomes. Your child is expected to share their TORCH card with you each night. This identifies if they have met the expectations for the school day.

Learning begins at 8:25. Any student arriving after 8:30 will lose valuable instruction and disrupts the learning for others. Please have your child to school on time. In addition, our teachers are maximizing teaching time and do not begin to prepare for dismissal until 2:40. Students being checked out early will miss out on the many end of the day activities that prepares them for the next day. Students will not be checked out after 2:00 unless it is an emergency.

Wear Pink Real Kids Wear Pink is a challenge to all students- no matter the age- to wear pink on the annual Real Kids Wear Pink day to fight back against breast cancer. This year’s Real Kids Wear Pink Day was Friday, October 22nd. However, due to the last two weeks of October already filled with activities for Character Counts and Red Ribbon week, we are going to support this effort on Monday, November 1st. Please wear a pink shirt and jeans this day.

Library Leaders Club!

Who:

Must be in grades 3, 4, or 5.

Not already a safety patrol or News team member

parent drop off in AM or Morning extended day

Skills needed:

- Strong math skills
- Able to alphabetize books
- Be an avid reader who can make recommendations to students
- Enjoys working with others, being friendly, and helpful!
- Can be in the Media Center each morning from 7:50 – 8:25am
- Displays all 6 Character Counts pillars.

Tasks:

- Works in the school store.
- Helps with school store ordering and managing products
- Works in the morning in the library helping students find books, check out, and reshelved returned books
- Adopting a shelf. This is where you have a specific section of a library that you maintain. You check the order and organization of the books. Help keep it neat and organized.

When:

- Daily from 7:50 – 8:25am
- Must be present at least 4 /5 mornings per week.

How to apply: See Mrs. Fanning or Mrs. Lusk in the library for an application! All applications Must be turned into the Media center NO LATER than November 10th!

Looking Ahead....

11/11/2021 Veteran's Day

11/24/2021-11/26/2021 Thanksgiving Break

Leonard's Studio will have in studio make-up sessions for class pictures.

Friday, November 12 and Tuesday, November 16th from 4 - 7pm

Jacksonville:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/LeonardsJacksonville>

St. Augustine

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/LeonardsStAugustine>

Spotlight on 1st Grade: We had a busy first quarter. We learned about realistic fiction as well as informational text, using text features. We have learned how to tap out words as we work through our Foundations units, and this has helped us read unknown words. We worked on place value in math using tens and ones. Now we are learning to tell time to the hour on both analog and digital clocks, as well as counting coins – no plastic for us! We are excited about the Literacy Parade when we will be able to dress like our favorite book character. Our favorite part of the day is our morning meeting when we get to share our “Good Things” – ask your child about our positive affirmations. Our classroom has become a much more kind and caring community because we think about others each day.