

The Country Isles CHRONICLE



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Independence Day

Wednesday, September 6th is Country Isle's Independence Day! Thank you to all our parents for their support. The children are well on their way to becoming more independent and finding their way around campus. Let's keep up the good work! Give your child a hug and a kiss before you arrive at school and our independent students will report to their assigned locations.

PTA

Country Isles Spirit T-Shirts and agendas can be purchased at the PTA office from 7:30 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. and from 1:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. You can send the money in with your child and they can come in and make their purchases.

Due to Tropical Storm Ernesto the Volunteer Breakfast has been rescheduled for Friday, September 8th at 8:15 a.m. in the cafeteria.

Traffic Safety

Please remember the following rules when driving on or around the school campus.

1. No cellphone use in school zones and driveways.
2. Obey school zone speed limits.
3. Drive slowly in driveways.
4. Use crosswalks when crossing roadways.
5. Be courteous to other drivers and look both ways.
6. Do not get out of your cars.
7. No pets on campus.
8. When exiting the school please do not make a left turn. All road signs need to be followed.

Following these rules will set a good example for our students and keep our children safe.

Teachers' Certification

All of our professional teachers are continuously upgrading their teaching skills and developing increased levels of content expertise. We are recognizing teachers at Country Isles who are expanding their expertise beyond their current certification by pursuing college coursework and/or training to become endorsed in ESOL. These teachers are:

Andrea Morey	Kimberly Bossman
Nathalie Gurrey	Clara Cinti
Stephanie Edberg	Cibeis Carrillo
Amy LaBarbera	Michele Lender
Kim Howes	Maritza Mendoza
Natalie Deviez	Joanne Dyer
Debbie Goldstein	Anita Peacock
Angela Beene	Ann Morgan
Mary Romanello	

Open House

Open House is around the corner. This is a great time to learn more about classroom expectations, rules, and procedures. Grade level curriculum will be reviewed. Teachers are anxious to meet every parent, but are unable to have individual conferences at this time. The schedules for Open House are as follows:

Wednesday, September 6, 7:00-7:45 p.m.
Grades 3-5

RESCHEDULED DUE TO ERNESTO

Wednesday, September 13, 7:00-7:45 p.m.
Grades K - 2, Cluster

*** Remember this event is for adults only and no babysitting will be provided.**

Reporting Absences

Effective the 2006-2007 school year, both excused and unexcused absences, along with tardiness and early sign-outs will be counted when determining a student's pattern of non-attendance. This is a change from previous years when excused absences had no impact on a student's attendance record.

The principal will decide if there is a pattern of non-attendance. This can be determined through a parent conference or a child study team meeting.

Students must be in school unless the absence has been excused for one of the following reasons:

- Illness
- Illness of an immediate family member
- Death in the family
- Required court appearance or subpoena
- Special Event (public functions, conferences, exceptional cases of family need)
- Student having or suspected of having a communicable disease or infestation that can be transmitted

Parents must report the absence the day before, the day of, or within two school days following the absence, or the absence will be considered unexcused. However, any absence will be considered unexcused until the school receives a phone call or a note from home.

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 6th- Open House Grades 3-5, 7:00 p.m.

September 8th- Volunteer Breakfast 8:30 p.m.

September 13th- Open House Grades K-2, Cluster 7:00 p.m.

September 14th- School Capacity Conference 6:30 p.m. Cafeteria

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