

The Country Isles CHRONICLE



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Lunch Safety

Please do not send canned or bottled drinks with your child's lunch. Also, the metallic fruit cups and tuna cans pose a safety hazard for our students, as the lids can be extremely sharp. Additionally, fast food is not allowed during lunch at school.

Attention Volunteers

Due to the Jessica Lunsford Act the criteria for field trip volunteers has tightened. Please be aware that when volunteers go on a field trip, they must be cleared through the volunteer database. This cannot be a last minute thing. Parents must apply on-line today! Go to www.getinvolvedineducation.com. Parents if you think you might go on a field trip please put in your volunteer applications ASAP. We cannot allow any volunteers to join a field trip unless they have been cleared.

Any parents that will be traveling on an overnight trip MUST have a level 2 clearance. This means that they must be fingerprinted and cleared.

This is a Florida Statute and School Board of Broward County policy.

School Board Resolutions

During the September 6, 2006 School Board Meeting, the following resolutions were approved:

Support of High School Voter Registration Week

Support of Kids Voting Broward, Inc.

Support of Disability Employment Awareness Month

Support of National School Lunch Week

Support of Italian Heritage Month

Support of Hispanic Heritage Month

Wanted!

Box tops and UPC's from any box top food item!!! For a limited time 12 UPC bar codes = 100 box tops. That's \$10 for the school. We want the cash from your trash! Simply cut them out, tear them off or delicately remove them, but send them in! This offer expires September 20, 2006.

Annual Notification Of Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) Related Activities

This is to inform you that since last years notice, a substantial number of asbestos abatement projects have been completed. These projects were in coordination with planned facilities renovation projects and maintenance activities. The documentation referencing these abatement projects, together with the required six-month inspections and three-year re-inspections have been, or are being, added to each school's management plan.

A copy of the AHERA Management Plan is available for public and outside vendor inspection in each school and/or facility. The management plans include information regarding the identification and location of asbestos containing materials at the facility. Additionally, a complete library of AHERA Management plans of every school and facility is located in the Environmental Coordination Section of the Facilities & Construction Management Division, 1700 SW 14th Court, Ft. Lauderdale.

Meet the Masters

We wanted to update you on the exciting developments happening in the CIE Meet the Masters program! This year – we have some very exciting additions and are hopeful that if you are not already involved, you will get excited from your children's feedback and interest and join the Team of Volunteers working hard to get Art back in every classroom!

We now have a dedicated classroom making it easier to teach and re supply. We hold volunteer training sessions every month to learn about each new Artist! There are training videos and all of the content is available via email!

Each month the kids will be able to show off their work and Artist tid-bits during the morning announcements and this year we will also be adding selections of their Master's Artwork to the Academic Fair.

Please come to the next Training session to be held on **Tuesday, October 3, 2006 at 9 am** to see how you can teach or team up to help.

Feel free to contact us @ mlknipp@elitegolfcruises.com or hectichouse@yahoo.com – if you want to be involved!

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Help Keep Our School Healthy

The peak of the cold and flu season is upon us. To prevent widespread flu in the school, your child should stay home from school if experiencing flu or cold symptoms. To decide whether or not to send your child to school, please consider the following guidelines.

To help prevent the flu and other colds, teach your children good hygiene habits:

- Wash hands frequently.
- Do not touch eyes, nose or mouth.
- Cover mouth and nose when sneezing or coughing, use a paper tissue, throw it away and then wash hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

Consider keeping your child at home for an extra day of rest and observation if he or she has any of the following symptoms:

- Very stuffy or runny nose and/or a cough
- Mild sore throat
- Headache
- Mild stomach ache

Definitely keep your child home for treatment and observation if he or she has any of these symptoms:

- Fever
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Chills
- General malaise or feelings of fatigue, discomfort, weakness or muscle aches
- Frequent congested or croupy cough
- Lots of nasal congestion with frequent blowing of nose

Colds are most contagious during the first 48 hours. A child who has a fever should remain at home until "fever free" for a minimum of 24 hours. A child who has started antibiotics needs to be on the medication for 48 hours before considered non-contagious and able to return to school. Often when a child awakes with vague complaints, it is wise to observe your child at home for an hour or two before deciding whether or not to bring to school. Your child should be physically able to participate in all school activities on return to school. Keeping a sick child at home will help minimize the spread of infections and viruses in the classrooms. Thank you in advance for helping make this year at our school as healthy as possible.

Dates To Remember

September 20th- Books-A-Million-6:00 p.m.
September 25th- SAC Meeting- 2:15 p.m.
September 28th- Picture Day
October 2nd - No School
October 4th- PTA Meeting- 8:30 a.m.