

January 2025

Panther Tales



- January 1 Happy New Year
- January 6 Teacher Planning Day
- January 7 Students Return to School
- January 8,9,10, 13, 21 5th Grade Roy L. Hyatt Fieldtrip
- January 10, 17, 24, 31 PTA School Spirit Store
- January 13 Report Cards in Focus
- January 20 Martin Luther King Holiday
- January 20 Literati Online Book Sales Begin
- January 24 PTA Coupon Book Sales Kickoff
- January 27 100th Day of School
- January 27 PTA School Spirit Night
- January 27-31 Literacy Week
- January 30 1st Grade E-I-E-I Oops! Program



- February 4 SAC Committee Meeting 9 am
- February 5 Full Day of School/ No Early Release
- February 6 Class Pictures
- February 7 PTA End of Coupon Book Sales
- February 14 Valentine's Day
- February 17 Professional Development Day
- February 17 No School for Students
- February 17-21 Literati Book Fair
- February 20 Family Night at the Book Fair 2:30-6:00 pm
- February 20 Kona Ice
- February 22 Science Olympiad
- February 27 2nd Grade Program 5:30pm
- February 28 PTA Chuck E. Cheese School Spirit Night



JANUARY 6th



January 7th

Field Trip!



WHO: 5th Grade
WHERE: Roy L. Hyatt Environmental Center
WHEN: January 8th - Brown
January 9th - Wallace
January 10th - Potter
January 13th - Benoit & Dupree
January 21st - Godwin

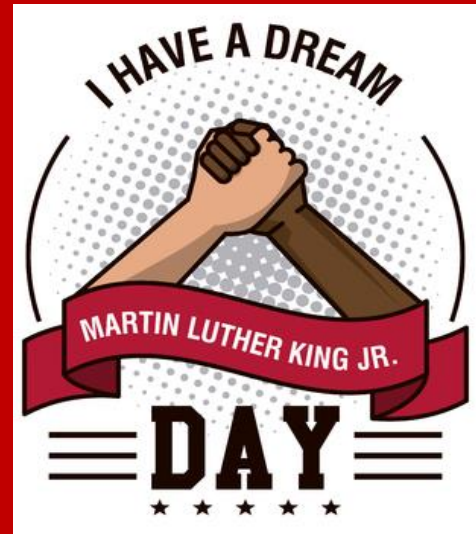


January 13th



January 27th
Dress like you are 100 Years Old!

JANUARY 20TH



ENJOY YOUR HOLIDAY!



January 10, 17, 21, 28

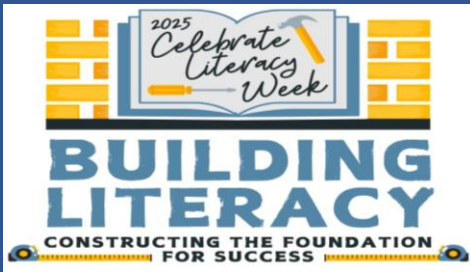
Come shop with us at lunch!



Coupon Book Sales
January 24 - February 7



January 27th 5 - 9 pm
Join us for Pine Meadows Spirit Night! More information to come!



January 27th-31st

Monday, January 27th
"NEVER TOO OLD TO READ"
DRESS AS A 100 YEAR OLD.

Tuesday, January 28th
"BOOKS HELP US BUILD OUR VOCABULARY"
READ MY SHIRT DAY (WEAR A SHIRT WITH WORDS ON IT)

Wednesday, January 29th
"BOOKS HELP US GROW"
DRESS AS YOUR FUTURE CAREER.

Thursday, January 30th
"BOOKS HELP US BUILD FRIENDSHIPS"
WEAR YOUR GRADE LEVEL COLOR.

KINDERGARTEN- RED
1ST GRADE- ORANGE
2ND GRADE- YELLOW
3RD GRADE- GREEN
4TH GRADE- BLUE
5TH GRADE- BLACK

Friday, January 31st
"READING PANTHERS BUILD SKILLS"
WEAR YOUR SPIRIT SHIRT.

Literati

Literati Book Online Sales
January 20- February 21

<http://literati.com/store/?school=pine-meadow-elementary-school-pensacola-fl>

Bookfair Dates: February 17-21

**Family Night: February 20th
2:30-6:00 pm**

2nd Grade Presents



January 30 @ 5:30 pm

Let's take a trip to see Farmer McDonald and the Farmer in the Dell! The whole barnyard is singin'... rooster's singin' tenor, the mule chimes in on bass, the chicks are pretty good altos, and the sheep are all over the place! The pigs bring comedy with their jokes. But wait! Something's wrong with Madame Cow... She just can't moo! Join in the fun as the animals all do their part to save the day!



To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook

(Must be a parent or student 13 years or older)

1. Go to www.treering.com/validate
2. Enter your school's passcode:
1012923600032466

Price: \$20.22

Helping Children Cope with the Loss of a Loved One

When a loved one dies, children feel and show their grief in different ways. How kids cope with the loss depends on things like their age, how close they felt to the person who died, and the support they receive. **Here are some things parents can do to help a child who has lost a loved one:**

Use simple words to talk about death. Be calm and caring when you tell your child that someone has died. Use words that are clear and direct. "I have some sad news to tell you. Grandma died today." Pause to give your child a moment to take in your words.

Listen and comfort. Every child reacts in their own way when they learn that a loved one has died. Some kids cry. Some ask questions. Others seem not to react at all. That's OK. Stay with your child to offer hugs or comfort. Answer your child's questions. Or just be together for a few minutes. It's OK if your child sees your sadness or tears.

Put feelings into words. Ask kids to say what they're thinking and feeling. Label some of your own feelings. This makes it easier for kids to share theirs. Say things like, "I know you're feeling very sad. I'm sad, too. We both loved Grandma so much, and she loved us too."

Tell your child what to expect. If the death of a loved one means changes in your child's life or routine, explain what will happen. This helps your child feel prepared.

Explain events that will happen. Allow children to join in rituals like viewings, funerals, or memorial services. Tell them ahead of time what will happen. You might need to explain burial or cremation. Share your family's beliefs about what happens to a person's soul or spirit after death.

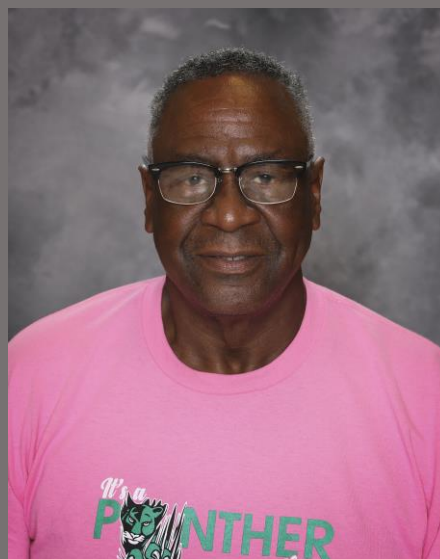
Help your child remember the person. In the days and weeks ahead, encourage your child to draw pictures or write down stories of their loved one. Don't avoid talking about the person who died. Sharing happy memories helps heal grief.

Give comfort and reassure your child. Notice if your child seems sad, worried, or upset in other ways. Ask about feelings and listen. Let your child know that it takes time to feel better after a loved one dies. Some kids may have trouble sleeping or have fears or worries. Let kids know these things will get better. Give them extra time and care. Support groups and counseling can help kids who need more support.

Help your child feel better. Provide the comfort your child needs but don't dwell on sad feelings. After a few minutes of talking and listening, shift to an activity or topic that helps your child feel a little better. Play, make art, cook, or go somewhere together.

Give your child time to heal from the loss. Grief is a process that happens over time. Be sure to talk often and listen to see how your child is feeling and doing. Healing doesn't mean forgetting about your loved one. It means remembering the person with love. Loving memories stir good feelings that support us as we go on to enjoy life.

Get more help if needed. If your child's distress lasts for more than a few weeks, or if you think your family needs more help, talk with your child's doctor. They can help you find the right therapist to work with.



Irvin Dauphine
1951-2024

Mr. Dauphine has been a part of our Pine Meadow family for the last 14 years. In that time, he has had a great impact on the students and staff he has worked with daily. Mr. Dauphine was the kind of person who put a smile on everyone's face. He had a joyful spirit that was contagious. He supported his fellow coworkers and always greeted the students with a smile. For over a decade, we had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Dauphine and enjoying his presence in our lives. Pine Meadow will never feel the same without him, and he will never be forgotten.

We love you, Mr. Dauphine.

LIFE'S MOST PERSISTENT AND URGENT QUESTION IS, "WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR OTHERS?"

~Martin Luther King, Jr.