



# Neptune Beach Elementary Newsletter

We are proud to be an "A" school!

**November 2020**

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## Manatee Corner

- If you do not have a parent account in focus, you will need one now more than ever. From bus stop registration to school attendance options, there are multiple processes that will be managed through parent accounts in FOCUS. So to be prepared, please make sure you have your established your account through our website. You can register for an account by visiting [www.duvalschools.org/focus](http://www.duvalschools.org/focus).
- To minimize the risk of COVID-19 entering a school campus, school volunteers and visitors will not be permitted on school grounds.
- Early Check Out Policy: Please remember that per district policy, students cannot be checked out after **2:15 PM**.
- Join the TEAM! Send in a picture of your student with their team (sports, cheer, dance, scouts, drama, band, ANY team) and it will be displayed on the bulletin board "Let's tackle this year as a Team!" --Send to Mrs. Barnhill in the front office a 4x6 or smaller, with your student and teacher name on the back so it can be returned--

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Parents and Guardians:

November has finally arrived and with it, a little chill in the air (I hope). The upcoming days will be getting shorter as winter arrives, but our staff won't stop short in delivering excellent teaching strategies. Each day will continue to be filled with exciting new learning opportunities for your children so please make sure students are on time and in attendance daily. Thank you.

We are still not allowing visitors on campus as we strive to keep our students healthy and our campus as free of germs as possible. We thank you for your continued support as you remind children to wear their masks and wash their hands regularly while at school.

Over the next two weeks, the district will be removing our water coolers and re-opening our water fountains. We will continue to provide the paper cups for students to use at the water fountains. Please help us by having conversations in advance with your children about using cups at the water fountains. We do NOT want students drinking directly from water fountains. Thank you for your assistance in this endeavor. From our Neptune Beach Family to Yours: Happy Veterans Day and Happy Thanksgiving!

Much Love,  
Mrs. Kavanagh

## CHARACTER TRAIT OF THE MONTH

Our character trait for the month is **PERSEVERANCE**. Perseverance is the continued effort to do or achieve something despite difficulties, failure, or opposition.



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### Announcements

- ✓ **Parents**-Please remember to update your contact information (address, phone number, emergency contacts, etc..). Emergency Contact Forms and Returning Student Registration Form can be found on the district’s website at <https://dcps.duvalschools.org/Page/10441>. You can also access these forms by selecting the "parent" tab at the top of the menu bar, select "registration", and select "forms" from the options on the left.
- ✓ **Parents**-Download the Duval County App to allow you to view these newsletters, receive up to date information, student grades, and many more important features.

Parents need to download the Duval County Public Schools app onto your phone/tablet/computer. Steps-1. Search in your app store “**Duval County Public Schools**” 2. When app is loaded, **search for Neptune Beach Elementary**. 3. Follow Directions on phone and you are ready to go. This app will also allow you to receive

messages from the school, link onto FOCUS, access blended learning, and other links that are helpful.



- ✓ **Parents**-To allow for social distancing and alleviate large number of adults and children in the front of the school during dismissal, we are recommending for everyone’s health and safety that all students are car riders and not Park to Pick-Up. We understand this will be an inconvenience at first, but after the first week of school, the car rider line will run very smoothly.
- ✓ **Parents**-Thank you for being patient with the new School Dismissal Manager app. One troubleshooting technique we have found to work if you are having problems; delete the app on your phone and then reload it and login into the program.
- ✓ **Parents**-Please check out the Neptune Beach webpage. Here you can find updates, information, newsletters, SAC news, and much more. The link for the website is: <https://dcps.duvalschools.org/nbe>

If you are interested in being a Neptune Beach Business Partner

Organizations	Contact Person	Email/Web
NBE	Kevin Baxter	<a href="mailto:baxterk@duvalschools.org">baxterk@duvalschools.org</a>

# November EVENTS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>2</p> <p>Turn Back your clocks One Hour Saturday Oct. 31</p>	<p>3 Vote</p> 	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>SAC Meeting 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>11</p> <p>No School</p> 	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>No School</p> 	<p>26</p> <p>No School</p> 	<p>27</p> <p>No School</p> 
<p>30</p>				

