

Littlewood Elementary School



Dear Littlewood Parents and Students,

I want to say THANK YOU for sharing your time, experience and kindness with me over the years. I have accepted another position closer to my home in Palatka, FL, in order to achieve my family's goal of gaining more quality time together. Excitement and sadness are occurring at the same time for me. I am excited to get back those hours during the day with my own personal family, yet also sad to leave my work family, students and parents. You all, no matter your role, greatly impact our students' lives every day. The way in which you advocate and model hard work for your children is truly inspirational. I appreciate the time spent with you all more than I can put into words.

Be the reason someone smiles,
Ginger Bernal

Flu Mist: The deadline to return your child's Flu Mist form has been extended. If you have not already done so, please turn it in by October 29th. The Flu Mist Vaccination Day will be held on November 6th.



Upcoming Events

October 26 Report cards sent home

October 30 PTA sponsored Trunk or Treat 6 - 7:30pm

October 31 4th grade Pirates! Musical @ 9:00am

November 1 Safety Patrol pinning ceremony 5:30pm-6:30pm

November 2 No School (UF Homecoming)

November 6 Flu Mist Day

November 9 4th grade St. Augustine Field Trip

November 9 PTA Spirit Night at Jason's Deli

November 15 5th Grade Field Trip-Phillips Center

December 5th PTA Spirit Night at PDQ



FALL DRESS UP DAY: Wednesday, October 31, is Fall Dress up Day at Littlewood. Each grade level has a focus on reading and each student is encouraged to bring in the book which has inspired their dress up character. Please do not send your child wearing a mask that covers the face and do not send them with weapons of any kind. The theme for each grade level is PreK-to Grade 3: storybook characters, 4th: Pirates/FL history and 5th: PJ's-celebrate reading all day. Participation in fall dress up day is not mandatory.

Safety Patrol Information: Safety Patrol sponsors a Snack Cart every Wednesday after school by the flag pole. Snack items are available for purchase for \$1. There will be a pinning ceremony on 11/1 at 5:30 in the Terrell Performance Center. Please see Ms. Chell with any questions.

There will also be a fall social on October 31st. Students in grades 3-5 are welcome to attend. Admission is \$5 and snacks will be available for purchase. There will be a costume contest—please no masks.

3rd grade History Field Trip

Nov 15-Jelmsberg and Bracken

Nov 13-Engram

Nov 8-Smith and Derrico

Nov 5th- Elkins and Emerson

MORNING MILE NEWS: So far this year 281 Littlewood students have come out for Morning Mile and have run over 1,544 miles combined. That's the distance between Gainesville and Kansas City, Kansas!

Are you a member of the PTA? New membership forms have been sent home or you can pick up another form in the front office. Join today and discover more ways to get involved with your child's education at Littlewood Elementary School

Happy Birthday!!!

For only \$20 you can have your child's name placed on the sign in the front of the school for their birthday ☺ Consider taking this opportunity to do something unique on his or her birthday while supporting their school. Stop by the front office at your convenience to complete a form today!

Reminder:

If checking out your child at the end of the day, it is best to do so before 1:30 on **Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and on Wednesday before 12:15.**

Lost & Found:

Now that it is cooler weather, many students start the morning in coats and jackets. As the day progresses, they take them off and leave them in various places on campus. PLEASE put their names in clothes so we can return them to students. Don't forget water bottles, lunch boxes, and backpacks as well.

Our top runner, Ben Hartman, hit the 50-mile mark! Other runners with over 30 miles are Steven Mitch, Maxwell Stevens, Nora Duffield, Raymond Mitch and Abby Hartman.

Runners with more than 20 miles are Brody Joyce, Haley Chance, Isla Lynch, Jordan Donnelly, Caden Melendez, Gabriel McGuire, Abby Duffield, Campbell Chronic, Emelie Houghling and Trip Monk.

Runners the logged at least 10 miles are Jayden Rivera, Isaac Speights, David Smith, Joseph Stein, Ellie Hensley, Declan O'Connor, Melissa Houghtling, Morgan Houghtling, Bentley Cravens, Julien Landry, Annika Panmaneporn, Deveon Tochterman, Durward Davis, Paul Bird, Holly Klein, Elin Sutton, Xavier Harris, Anh Huynh, Jeremyah Grogan, Jonah Hayford, La'niya Fomby, Savannah Sweger, Fiona Caedington, Stephanie Garcia-Barrios, Scarlett Sweger, Kaitlyn Mitch, Juliette Caedington, and Antwoine Martin.

Leading all classes with 197 miles is Mrs. Anhalt's class. Other classes with more than 50 miles are Mrs. Bishop (150), Ms. LaRoche (115), Mrs. Chavez (110), Ms. Simmons (89), Mr. Jelmsberg (74), Ms. Bouton (63), Mrs. Winfrey (59), and Ms. Na (50).

Nice running, Littlewood! Keep it up!



Media News: Public library cards are here! The Alachua County Library District and the School Board of Alachua County are partnering to improve access to educational and recreational materials by providing students with a free Alachua County Library District Student Library Card, which can be used to:

- Check out 3 print books or audio books owned by the Alachua County Library District at a time.
- Borrow eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMusic and eMagazines from our Media collection.
- Access eSources like Tutor.com, Learning Express, and World Book Online
- Sign in to computer internet stations at any of our 12 public library locations or bookmobiles.

Students that already have a standard library card with Alachua County Library District are still eligible to receive the Student Library Card. Research tells us that children who have library cards and use the library perform better in school. Please contact Kelly Moore, Littlewood Media Specialist with any questions.

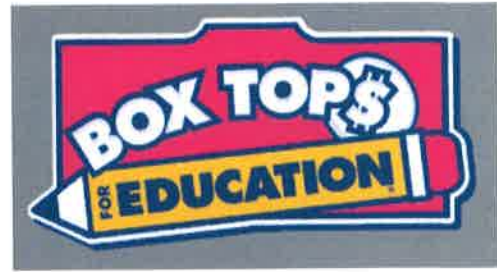
PTA News:

Trunk or Treat- October 30th at 6 - 7:30- still need trunks and candy/ non-candy treat donations. There is a box in the front office for donations. SIGNUP HERE to help!
<http://bit.ly/littlewoodtrunkortreat18>

The Chipotle fundraiser night raised \$85 for Littlewood. Thank you to everyone who came out and supported this event.

The Walk-a-thon is coming up on November 16th during your child's recess and is a fundraiser sponsored by the Parent-Teacher-Association. Please help support new technology in classrooms by helping your child collect donations. Send donations back in the given envelope and don't forget you can also pledge online and share your child's page with family/friends at 99pledges.com/fund/littlewood2018 We look forward to a fun event! If you are interested in signing up to volunteer, please visit: <http://bit.ly/walkathon18>

We thank everyone so much for participating in the first Box Tops drive of this school year. You helped us raise a total of \$863 from this drive alone for Littlewood Elementary. As promised, the winning class will receive a pizza party and the grade level winning classes will receive a frozen treat party.



- School Winning Class - 4th Grade - Spence-Thomas
Pre-K Winner - Tirado with 424 box tops
Multi-Age Winner- Anhalt 308 box tops
Kindergarten Winner - Ranvestel with 315 box tops
1st Grade Winner - Simmons with 624 box tops
2nd Grade Winner - Winfrey with 447 box tops
3rd Grade Winner - Emerson with 331 box tops
4th Grade Winner - Spence-Thomas with 952 box tops
5th Grade Winner - Jenkins with 547 box tops

The 2nd collection drive is happening now until December 15th. Thank you again for your support.



Thanksgiving Feast

Please join us for a Thanksgiving Gathering with your child!
Catered by the School Café.

Thursday, November 15th, 2018



Menu

Roast Turkey
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Cranberry Sauce
Green Beans
Holiday Dressing & Dinner Roll
Festive Fruit Crisp
Seasonal Fresh Fruit

The cost per guest is \$3.50

On Thursday, November 15th, you will join your child in the cafeteria for Thanksgiving Feast at his/her regularly scheduled lunchtime (*please check with teacher for lunchtime*).
Check in at the front office to receive a visitor tag. Please bring in **exact change** per person (no credit/debit cards), pay at the cashier.

RSVP: Please complete the form below and return it by Wednesday, November 7th.



Guest Name(s) _____

Grade Level _____

Student Name _____

Student's Teacher _____