



Seahawk Sentinel



Mission: To provide a safe and supportive learning community where every student experiences success.

Vision: We believe that the most promising strategy for achieving the mission of Cape Elementary is to develop our capacity to function as a professional learning community.

October 6, 2017

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR ADMINISTRATORS

Dear Cape Elementary Parents,

Our Cape Elementary family is off to an exciting and busy start this year. Each day we are surrounded by smiling students, caring parents and giving volunteers. We hope all of our families are getting back to some normalcy after the storm. Thank you to everyone for their dedication and commitment in making Cape the best elementary school!

Take a look at our October calendar in this newsletter, in your child's planner or on our website for the many activities happening this month. We will have school on Monday, October 16th. We will also finish up our Parent Teacher Conferences this month. Our goal is for all teachers to meet with each parent.

Please mark your calendar now for Cape's second annual Trunk or Treat on Friday, October 27, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This will be a wonderful evening for our Cape families to celebrate Fall together. Please look in this newsletter for more information and a flyer in the next couple of weeks. We are looking for families to decorate their trunks and also for families to donate bags of candy.

Thanks to all of our volunteers and Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) who are currently giving their time at Cape! Our students love seeing moms, dads, and grandparents in our classrooms, Café and library! If you are interested in volunteering please call or email our Volunteer Coordinator, Mindy Durnell or our assistant principal, Kristi Sund. Our library can always use volunteers to help students pick out books and also shelve books. Primary teachers can use assistance with working in a center or reading with students.

You are welcome to have lunch with your child in the Café. We ask for safety reasons you eat with your child only and at the round tables in the alcove area of the Café or at the picnic tables outside. We want you both to enjoy your special time!

We are honored and privileged to be part of the Cape family. Every school year brings new opportunities and new challenges, and every year it becomes increasingly important for parents to support and be partners in their child's education for them to be successful during their school year. The most important but simple contributions a parent can make are to ensure children come to school every day and arrive on time ready to learn, to communicate openly with the classroom teacher, to read, to listen and talk to your child about what interests him or her. Thank you for giving your support, for giving your understanding, and for giving us your children to teach. They are simply the best, and they are the reason we love what we do!

Sincerely,

Nicole Osterholm and Kristi Sund



P T O

Our Yankee Candle fundraiser has been extended due to Hurricane Irma. This is an awesome way to purchase quality products while supporting our school! All of the information was included in the packets that went home with students, but feel free to email us at capeelementarypto@gmail.com if you have any questions. Fundraiser orders must be turned in by Friday, October 13th and your orders will arrive in time for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Our first PTO/SAC meeting will now be held Wednesday, November 1st from 6:00-7:00pm in the Media Center. Stop by and learn Who PTO is, What we do, and How YOU can help! Hope to see you there.

Thanks for supporting Cape Elementary!!!

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Out Of Field Teachers

Florida State Statute 1012.42 recognizes that teachers at times must be assigned duties in a class outside the field in which the teacher is certified. The following teachers at Cape Elementary School are fully certified, but are engaged in training to add the endorsement English as a Second Language to their current certificate:

Kristi Allen

Trisha Bissler

Miranda Gagliardi

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Terry Badloe

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3. Select **"Cape Elementary PTO Inc"** as your charity and start shopping!

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October Counseling Corner

October is National Bullying Prevention month. Each day, over 160,000 students across the nation stay home from school due to fear of being bullied. Bullying directly affects a student's ability to learn. Students who are bullied find it difficult to concentrate, show a decline in grades, and lose self-esteem, self-confidence, and self-worth. They also may experience physical symptoms - stomachaches, headaches and mental health issues are among the most prevalent. Even more tragically, bullying often leads to suicide or suicide attempts. For young students who engage in bullying behaviors, bullying usually continues as they become older. Unless someone intervenes, in some cases, bullying grows into violence and other serious problems. Children who consistently bully others often continue their aggressive behavior through adolescence and into adulthood.

This year's theme at Cape Elementary for National Bullying Prevention month is "Change the Culture." Our month-long activities will kick off on Monday, October 2. We are encouraging all students and faculty/staff to wear blue on Wednesday, October 18, to show support for the Stomp Out Bullying initiative. Stand united and wear orange (bracelets, tee shirts, shoes, socks, etc.) on Wednesday, October 25 for "Unity Day." Students will be given opportunities throughout the month to take part in activities and view Public Service Announcements which will be shown throughout the month on the morning news.

Anti-Bullying Policy:

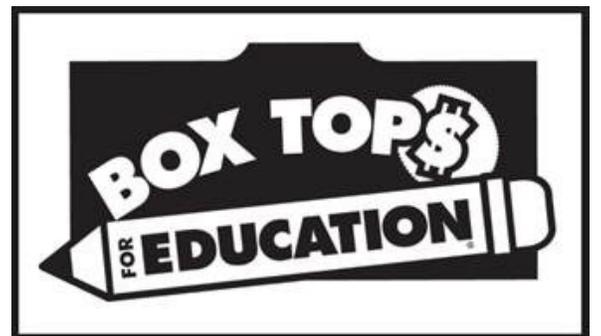
The Jeffery Johnston Stand Up for All Students Act became a law in June 2008. The School Board of Lee County has approved a Board Policy which states their guidelines for the identification and reporting of bullying, expectations for behavior, procedures and consequences regarding bullying and harassment.

In short, the School District of Lee County will not tolerate any form of bullying or harassment between students and/or adults on our school campuses. Our goal is protection of our students, and provision of a safe and nurturing educational environment for all of our students and staff.

If you have questions pertaining to Cape Elementary School's procedures for handling suspected bullying or harassment, please feel free to contact Miss Boeck, School Counselor.



Cape Elementary families are invited to this fun and **FREE** event on Friday, October 27th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. where you can bring your kids in their best costumes to enjoy an evening of decorated trunks and treats! Children walk by car trunks decorated with themes and games and receive treats. Enjoy family fun in a safe, non-scary environment with some of the most creative trunks around... Adding to the fun, hotdogs, pizza, soda, popcorn and snow cones are available for purchase. **Thousands of pieces of candy are needed for this free event, and we need your donations to make it happen! Bring in individually-wrapped bags of candy to the office before October 27.**



REMINDER

Box Tops for Education
Box Tops can be collected and turned in throughout the year, but please note that the first major submission of the year is due Friday, October 13, 2017.

Thank you for your support!





CAPE ELEMENTARY

OCTOBER 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6 Salvation Army Canned Food Drive Ends	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 End of 1st Quarter PTO Yankee Candle Sale Ends	14
15	16	17 SOAR Celebration	18	19	20 Report Card Day Cape Family Night Zoomers in Ft. Myers 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	21
22	23 Smencil Sales 10/23 to 10/27	24	25	26	27 Trunk or Treat 6:00 p.m.	28
29	30	31				