

Gulfside Elementary

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Family Engagement

Families can partner with Gulfside by attending school events, supporting classroom activities, becoming a Pelican Partner, joining PTO, Watch D.O.G.S and Volunteering!

Principal's Message

Dear Gulfside Families,

I want to take a moment to let you know how wonderful a staff we have at GSES! As a failing school, the state requires an action plan on how we are going to turn the school around and get a better grade. We are currently a D school, but I have to tell you that is absolutely not the feeling at Gulfside! We have the hardest workers, dedicated folks, committed educators, and every single person is willing to do what it takes to help your children succeed! Every week teachers put in extra hours in order to plan thorough lessons for your children. We are almost there, but this is where you could be that last little push your child needs to get them right where they need to be as a learner. So, I ask that you take 20 minutes and expect your child to read at least 5 nights a week. Now, here is the key... let them choose what they want to read. Here are some examples; read together with a favorite adult, read with a sibling whose older or read to a sibling who is younger, read magazines, read articles on your phones, just read, read, read. How many of your children watch cartoons? So, use your TV settings and put on the captions... come on parents, sometimes you have to trick them 😊 Before you know it, you will see them reading those words across the screen. Information on an incentive plan for student reading minutes will be coming home during the winter break. Thank you for all your support, together we can succeed!

Mrs. Krapfl



Holiday Food Drive

Starting December 2nd GSES will have a class vs. class contest to raise food to support our families this holiday season. Winning classes for primary and intermediate grades will receive a special party on Thursday, December 22nd. We are looking for the specific items listed below. When sending in items, please label them with the your child's teacher name so it can count for their classroom. Thank you so much for your help! Send in items starting tomorrow!



Holiday Food Drive Items

- Boxed Potatoes
- Gravy
- Stuffing
- Corn bread
- Canned vegetables
- Fruit Cocktail
- Spaghetti noodles
- Canned Spaghetti Sauce

Title I Information

In the front office you may review our school and district parent involvement documentation. The information is located in the front office in a white binder on the front counter. The information included is our Gulfside Elementary School Involvement Plan, Gulfside Elementary School Compact, School, Improvement Plan at a Glance and the PASCO Title I, Part A Parental Involvement Plan.

PTO Message

We are looking forward to hosting our next McPelican Night at the Holiday McDonald's on Tuesday, December 6th from 5:00 to 7:00pm. So come have dinner, fun and face painting while earning 20% for our PTO fundraiser. If you decide to go through the drive thru please let your cashier know you are participating in the GSES night.

The Gingerbread Shop is coming Monday, December 12th to Friday, December 16th from 9:30am to 3:00pm. This is a fun way for students to learn budgeting and share in the joy of gift giving during the holidays. Items will range from \$.25 to \$5.00. Intermediate classes will preview on Monday, 12/12 and buy on Tuesday, 12/13. Primary classes will preview on Wednesday, 12/14 and buy on Thursday, 12/15. A family shopping event is scheduled for Thursday, December 15th from 4:30 to 6:30pm. The last day for purchasing will be Friday, December 16th. Gift giving budget envelopes will come home next week. We also need volunteers to help with the event. Please contact Nanette Galati at 727-774-6009 if you are able to help.



Pelican Partners

Businesses and families can become a Pelican Partner by adopting a class and donating supplies for a school event, school supplies for the classroom or money. All Pelican Partners will be recognized in our newsletter, on our website and the school marquee. If you are interested in becoming a Pelican Partner, please contact Nanette Galati at ngalati@pasco.k12.fl.us

Volunteers Needed

We need help stamping books, organizing books in Media, reading with students, extra eyes and hands in the cafeteria, classroom projects, making copies and helping with our daily routines. Events coming up soon are; Gingerbread Shop 12/12 to 12/16 and Field Day 12/21. We will need volunteers from 9:30am to 3:30pm every day. Volunteer times can be as little as an hour to a full day. You could help us make these days extra special for our students. We appreciate all of our wonderful volunteers!!

One Community Now & Neighborhood News

Holiday Lake Civic Center located at 3624 Atlantis Drive is a meal partner site of Metropolitan Ministries. Volunteers serve dinner every Thursday from 5:30pm to 6:30pm.



Xtreme Christmas -
Santa's Snow Day
A Magical Snow Day -
The Florida Way!
Saturday, December 17th

11:00am or 1:30pm. Families must pre-register at onecommunitynow.com/xtremechristmas for this event.

Mark Your Calendar

- 12/2, 8:45 – 9:15am Citizen of the Month
- 12/5, 10:00am – 3:00pm 4th Grade EMC Fieldtrip
- 12/6, 10:00am – 3:00pm 4th Grade EMC Fieldtrip
- 12/6, 5:00 – 7:00pm PTO McPelican Night
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- 12/6, 5:30 – 6:30pm 4th Grade Social Study Gallery
- 12/12 to 12/16, 9:30am - 3:00pm PTO Gingerbread Shop
- 12/14, 10:00am, Chorus Dress Rehearsal
- 12/14, 4:30 – 5:30pm 3rd Grade Holiday Harvest Night
- 12/14, 5:00 – 6:30pm K IRLA Snuggle Up & Read
- 12/15, 4:30 – 6:45pm Gingerbread Shop Family Night
- 12/15, 4:30 – 5:30pm SAC Meeting
- 12/15, 7:00pm Winter Chorus Concert
- 12/16, 4:00 – 6:00pm Astro Skate
- 12/17, 11:00am or 1:30pm OCN Christmas Event
Holiday Lakes Civic Center
- 12/20, 10:00am Chorus Performance at the Senior Center
- 12/21, 9:50am – 3:00pm Field Day
- 12/23 Teacher Planning Day (no school for students)
- 12/26 to 1/6 Winter Break
 - 1/9 First Day back from break
 - 1/12 5:30pm PTO Meeting
 - 1/13 8:45 – 9:15am Citizen of the Month
 - 1/16 No School
 - 1/17 Report Cards
 - 1/19 4:30 – 5:30pm SAC Meeting
 - 1/20 4:00 – 6:00pm Astro Skate
 - 1/31 5:00 – 7:00pm PTO McPelican Night
Holiday McDonald's

