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The Ultimate Guide for Explorers

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CALENDAR of EVENTS

- 09/21 PTO Fundraiser ENDS
- 09/26 Open House Gr. K-2 6:00
- 09/27 Fire Prevention Presentations
- 09/28 Open House Gr. 3-5, Pre-K, and ESE 6:00
- 10/02 Volunteer Training 5:30
DCE Oasis
- 10/04 Volunteer Training 9:30
DCE Oasis

OASIS NEWS

Ice Cream On FRIDAYS!

Breakfast and Lunch
menus rotate every two
weeks.

To view menus, go to
www.stjohns.nutrislice.com

Breakfast: \$1.25
Student Lunch: \$2.70
Milk: \$.60

Our Mission:
Making positive
contributions to
society by
expanding minds
to
explore our
expanding world.

Ms. Fuller's Message

Dear wonderful Durbin families,

I hope you are all getting back into the routine of things after Irma. It looks like we were truly blessed in our area with only minor damage. We are looking to help others more affected and the students have come up with an idea for "Hat Day" this Friday. Any student who makes any donation, nothing is too big or too small, may wear the hat of their choice to school on Friday.

Next week we will have two Open House events: Tuesday the 26th for grades K-2, and Thursday the 28th for grades 3-5, Pre-K, and ESE. We are very excited to have the two nights where parents can come in and hear a little message from me, then visit their child's classroom. Each night will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Oasis. Mrs. Miller and I will share some information with parents and then let you go to the classrooms. For Thursday night, we are very pleased to announce that our ESE service providers will be here to talk and meet with parents, too. I know sometimes we only see our Speech, Occupational Therapy, or Special Education teachers during IEP meetings, so we have asked them to be here and they are super excited.

On both of these nights we will have the computer lab open for you to come in and take a brief 5-minute survey to help our school find ways to improve. This is a part of the accreditation process the District is going through this school year. I promise it is a short survey, and we *do* use the data collected to help us get better.

I hope everyone has a wonderful week—don't forget to get your Discount cards by Thursday!

Respectfully,

Angie Fuller

GOT BOYS?

The clinic is in need of smaller-sized bottoms for boys (*gently-used pants and shorts in sizes 5, 6, 6X, 7, and 8*). If you are cleaning out closets or drawers, please consider donating them to our clinic supply.

Thank you!



Clinic Reminders

Please consider getting the flu shot when it is available this Fall! It has been proven to work well. Let's keep the Flu at bay here at DCE for the 2017-2018 school year!

Chelsea Hedman

My name is Chelsea Hedman and I could not be more happy to be joining the Durbin Creek family! I was born and raised a true Floridian in Clearwater and then started my adventure in Jacksonville when I attended the University of North Florida. Go ospreys! I received a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education K-6. I have taught 2nd grade for the past 5 years in Duval County and am beyond excited about teaching kindergarten this year!

I just recently got married in April, followed by building our first home in St. John's County. I can't wait to help our sweet kiddos grow each and every day!



Christy Lafleur



I am so excited to be a part of Durbin Creek Elementary this year! I was born and raised in South Florida and I graduated from Florida State University (GO NOLES!!!) where I met my husband. We have two daughters (Lily 9, and Paige 5), and this is our first year at DCE. I have been a teacher for the past 13 years, and decided to take a step out of the classroom. I absolutely love working at the front desk, and look forward to an awesome year!

Elise Thornton

My name is Elise Thornton and I am excited to join the Durbin Creek Elementary Explorers family! This is my 5th year as a 2nd grade teacher. I have taught 2nd grade at Neptune Beach Elementary for the last four years. My husband and I lead busy lives as the parents of two wonderful children. We have a 13-year old daughter, Emsley, and a 9-year old son, Sam. I am from the Jacksonville beaches area and a graduate of the University of North Florida. After a business career in sales, I was fortunate to have the opportunity to stay home with my children full time. As a parent volunteer in my children's classrooms, I developed a passion for working with children. I returned to UNF where I studied education and received my certification in Elementary Education. I consider it a privilege to work with children every day. It is my hope that each child will leave my class with a love for learning that will last a lifetime.



Dismissal Changes

If your child will be going home from school a different way than usual, please send an email to:

dcesnotifications@stjohns.k12.fl.us BEFORE 2:15 p.m. (1:15 p.m. on Wednesdays).

Please be sure to copy the teacher on your email.

We cannot accept verbal changes from students, nor changes from a parent by phone.