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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**11/7**—Character Counts Ceremony for Responsibility 9:30 a.m.

**11/10**—Veterans Day Celebration

**11/11**—NO SCHOOL: Veterans Day

**11/13**—Picture Make-Ups

**11/14 -11/19**—Book Fair

**11/14**—"Socks for the Soul" last collection day

**11/14**—PTO Family Night Out 6:00-8:30 p.m.

**11/18**—SAC Meeting 3:30

### OASIS NEWS

New a la carte menu beginning in November !

#### "A La Carte"

Monday: Papa John' Pizza

Wednesday: Chicken Tenders with French Fries

Friday: Ice Cream

Tuesday: Friday: Salad

#### "Snacks"

Variety available daily.

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

## Mr. Gifford's Journal

Happy November, everyone! As you know, our Boosterthon Fun Run took place on Thursday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. Thanks so much to parents, students, and staff for an awesome day! The students had a great time. We appreciate all of the hard work that was put into this event. The funds raised will be used to enhance the technology at Durbin Creek.

The first quarter ended Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Time has really flown by! Your children have been working very hard and have settled into the routines at school. We hope you are hearing about all of the wonderful learning activities your children have been engaged in and you feel the same excitement they do as they share them with you.

Report cards were issued on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Parents, if you are interested in having a conference with your child's teacher, please contact that teacher directly.

We have several exciting events taking place the first few weeks in November. On Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, we will recognize our students who were chosen as the *Character Counts!* awards recipient for the month October, for the pillar of *responsibility*. Congratulations in advance to those students! On Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, Durbin Creek Elementary will host the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans Day Program. This special program will recognize service members from our community for their service to our country. The following day, Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, will be a teacher/student holiday in recognition of Veterans Day.

Please join us from 6:00pm-8:30pm on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> for "Movie Night under the Stars". Feel free to bring your chairs and your blankets for this fun-filled **free** event. The movie, *Mr. Peabody & Sherman*, will begin at 7:15pm and concessions will be available. The first 100 students in attendance will receive a free "Movie Night" spirit stick. In addition, the Durbin Creek Elementary Chorus will be performing and our Book Fair will kick off that evening and will run through Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you to all parents for your efforts to send your students to school prepared for each day. As the cooler weather moves in be sure your student has a light jacket with him/her. Students do have recess each day....even when it is chilly!

### Durbin Creek is a Peanut Aware School

*What is Peanut Allergy Aware?*

Several of our students have a severe allergy to peanuts/tree nuts. This allergy can be life-threatening and for these students strict avoidance is the only way to prevent an allergic reaction. Accidental contact or ingestion can be fatal.

*Are peanut/tree nut products allowed in school?*

Yes. However, in order to reduce the risk of exposure for students who possess an allergy to peanut products, these items are not sold in the school lunch program, at extra-curricular events or provided in school-wide activities.



**World Renowned  
AXIS Dance Company to Perform**

Creekside High School Nov. 7, @ 7:00

Leave your misconceptions at the door, come in with an open heart and mind, and be blown away by the strength and beauty that is the world renowned AXIS Dance Company (axisdance.org).

AXIS' mission is to create, perform, educate, and support "physically integrated dance" a contemporary dance form that evolves from the collaboration between people with and without disabilities They will change the way you think about movement and disability FOREVER!  
General admission tickets available at the door or preferred seating can be purchased at Kickstarter.com search AXIS Dance .



**Make-Up Day for Individual Pictures  
Thursday, November 13th**

Students needing to have individual pictures taken may pick up a pre-pay order form at the front desk.



**REMINDER OF DISTRICT  
ILLNESS POLICY**

**FEVER:** Please remember that if children are sent home with a fever, they must be fever free for 24 hours WITHOUT MEDICATION before they return. This means that they should *not* return the next day.

**Pink Eye:** May return 24 hours AFTER treatment begins.

**Vomiting:** Keep at home if 2 or more episodes in 24 hours.



# Boxes of Love

Anyone interested in receiving a Thanksgiving meal, also known as "Boxes of Love," from one of our local churches, please contact Ms. Labaw, the school counselor, at Renee.Labaw@stjohns.k12.fl.us or 547-3888.

"Boxes of Love" are delivered straight to your home by the local church, so name and address will be required. All information is kept confidential.



## FDLRS/FEFEC CHILD FIND

The Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS) is a federal and state-funded program located at the North East Florida Educational Consortium (NEFEC) in Palatka, FL. It provides:

- Information about programs for children with special needs
- Professional consultation for parents
- Screening in the areas of communication, motor development, vision, hearing, and preschool readiness skills
- Assistance in connecting children with unique needs to appropriate early intervention or exceptional student education services

Questions or concerns about a child birth-5 years of age, contact:

**FDLRS/NEFEC CHILD FIND  
(386)329-3811 or Toll Free 1-800-227-6036**

**Email: ChildFind@nefec.org  
Website: www.nefec.org/fdlrs**

