



Plew's Winter Newsletter



Calendar of Events

December

12/2~ Spirit Night at Panda Express

12/7~Aviation Day in the Cafeteria

12/9~ Soup Can Collection for Harvest Hands, Cafeteria Drop Off

12/14~PLA Christmas Express PINGO (Flyers went home week of 11/29)



12/16~"Jingle Jog Fun Run"

12/17~Early release starts at 2:00 p.m.

12/17~End of First Semester

Winter Break Holidays
Dec 20th-Jan 4th



January

1/10~ SAC Meeting in Media Center, 3:15p.m.

1/13 & 1/14~ Change for Children Collection

1/17~ Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
NO SCHOOL



1/25~ PLA Meeting in the Cafeteria, 6p.m.

1/25~100th Day of School



1/31-2/8~ Boosterthon Fundraiser (Stay tuned)

The Holidays are such a magical time! We have so many great activities going on here at Plew, all culminating with our Jingle Jog on December 16th!

December is three weeks long, but we have a lot of teaching and learning to do! When we return in January, our students will take the Diagnostic iReady test to show how much they have grown academically. We can't wait to share the results with you. Our newsletter will combine the calendar for December and January so please post the dates!

Happy Holidays! Hope you have some wonderful family time!

~Tammy Matz, Principal



We want to give a big congratulations to Mrs. Jami Nespoli for being selected as our Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Nespoli believes in going the extra mile to meet the individual needs of each child. We are thankful for her leadership and enthusiasm for education.



Our Support Person of the Year is Mrs. Sherri Cadenhead. Mrs. Cadenhead is our fabulous daycare director and contributes in every area of our school. We appreciate her dedication to children!

~Heather Phillips, Assistant Principal



FRIENDLY FRONT OFFICE REMINDERS

- ◆ Transportation changes need to be in the office NLT 1p.m. We CANNOT take transportation changes over the phone. Please email: kerensa.morton@okaloosaschools.com and tamara.love@okaloosaschools.com or stop by the office to make the change. Call the office at 850-833-4100 if you have not received a confirmation email from us by 1p.m.
- ◆ Early check out ends at 2:30p.m.
- ◆ Office phones **are not** answered from 2:50–3:10 during dismissal time each day.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

It's the season of giving....On **Dec. 9th** students are encouraged to bring in **ONE Can of Soup** to donate to Harvest Hands. This should be a soup that can be heated and enjoyed by a child in need of weekend food. We will collect these in the cafeteria after announcements on Dec. 9th. Wouldn't it be awesome to have over 800 cans of soup?

Pie in the Face contest coming in January to benefit Children in Crisis and our Harvest Hands. Please start collecting change to donate so a winner will get a *Pie in the Face*. Will it be Mrs. Crist, Mrs. Matz, Mrs. Phillips or one of our Retirees this year that will get a Pie in the Face?



~Mrs. McClaren, School Counselor

PE

Jingle Jog Fun Run has been moved to Thursday, December 16th. Please adhere to the following rules:

1. All non-Plew students must be supervised at all times by an adult.
2. Playground equipment is not to be played on during Fun Runs.
3. Proper shoes must be worn by all students/visitors.
4. NO food, candy, gum or drinks are allowed except water bottles.
5. Strollers are not allowed on the track.
6. Plew ROAR expectations and PE rules are to be followed at all times.
7. Plew students may NOT be checked out to attend a sibling's Fun Run.
8. Please use the restroom prior to visiting the campus.

December Fitness Calendars will be posted on Facebook, Instagram, and the Plew Webpage. Be sure to follow along and mark off each day to receive your special token at the end of the month.

~Coach Bristol

ROAR Honor Code



I am a Panther
Hear me ROAR
I am a Panther
I stand for:
R- Responsibility
O- Organization
A- Achieving Goals
R- Respect
Panthers ROAR!

SPEECH

Here are some speech/language facilitators that are fun to do with your child over the holidays: <https://blog.expressable.io/holiday-themed-speech-therapy-activities-to-practice-at-home/>

~Anita DeVuyst, M.S., CCC/SLP

Parents, Please take a moment to complete the parent survey located www.okaloosaschools.com/plew or go to this link: www.surveymonkey.com/r/9GQQCBJ



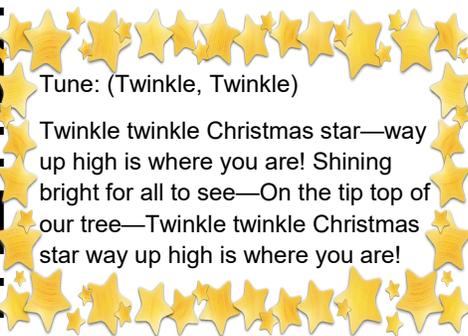
We rely on your feedback to continuously improve our schools!



Did you know that we have had **many** generous donors through **Donors**

Choose...both close to home and from afar add to our amazing library collection. Our Plew Media Center has been the recipient of **10** fully funded projects totaling \$5,063 for our readers. Folks, that is a lot of books we wouldn't have the pleasure of reading if it weren't for the kindness of others. Many educators at our school work tirelessly to fund their classrooms with things the district doesn't/can't provide. **Donors Choose** is a great way to gift your child's teacher and their classroom while also helping future generations also reap the benefits of your kindness this holiday season.

Sadly there will not be a Crist-mas Shop this year...due to shipping delays and such, we will not have our student shopping opportunity this year. However, it is not gone forever and will be back better than ever next year.



Tune: (Twinkle, Twinkle)

Twinkle twinkle Christmas star—way up high is where you are! Shining bright for all to see—On the tip top of our tree—Twinkle twinkle Christmas star way up high is where you are!

MEDIA CENTER

The holidays are upon us and we have arranged to have some special guests visit Plew. **Santa and Mrs. Claus** will be here with **Buddy the Elf** on Dec. 8th for a photo opportunity. Your child should have brought home a reservation form (bright green or red) that needs to be returned ASAP with payment. K-1-2 will visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus, while 3-4-5 will have a fun time with Buddy. We are planning to have pictures on a special outside set, so if it is cold, please bundle your children in fun Christmas attire... scarves, hats, mittens. Pictures will be delivered before the Christmas holidays!

ALL library books are due before the holiday break...reminders are sent out daily to teachers. Thank you for helping to get our books home for a holiday rest!

~Mrs. Crist

Ongoing Collections

Please remember that every Box Top register slip you scan is 10 cents for Plew. They must be within 2 weeks of the initial purchase. If you don't want to scan them yourself, send them to the Front Office, and we'll scan them for you. It's FREE money for Plew.

~The Box Tops Grannies

Coke caps and codes are like gold to our Media Center and help purchase additional materials for all our readers. We are able to make treasure out of trash!! Collect those codes! This will be our last month for collecting pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. We just don't have the space to store them until they can be delivered to Pensacola. Thank you for your continued help in helping others!

Reminder – Perused Pages Sale

At the end of the school year we have a used book sale for our readers. If your reader is growing and you need to make some room on your bookshelves, we would love your donations of gently used children's books for our sale. These books may be dropped off anytime.

