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Binninger's Bylines



The Fourth Grade Writing assessment will be administered at the end of this month, on February 28th. All teachers are working hard to ensure that the academic needs of their students are being met. They are differentiating instruction, writing Progress Monitoring Plans for predicted level 1 and 2 students, providing acceleration strategies for high achievers and implementing extra programs that will target and remediate academic deficiencies. When the state changed the grading scale for FCAT, scores across the district dropped. Results from the Winter Diagnostics were a wake-up call to us that the bar has been raised and we need to focus on pinpointing areas for continued support. Teachers are increasingly more aware of each student's strengths and weaknesses and they are making sound decisions in the classroom that will impact learning and ensure success. If your children come home with an invitation to one of our after school math or reading tutorials, please make their regular attendance a priority. Tutorials begin on February 13th and will run weekly for eight weeks up until FCAT. As always, if you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with the teacher.

The second trimester ends two weeks from today, and elementary report cards will be distributed on March 5th.

As Valentine's Day approaches, I want to express my heartfelt thanks to everyone who plays a part in making Addison Mizner such an exceptional place to learn. We just earned the distinction of being the 17th highest ranking elementary school in the state of Florida! What an amazing accomplishment! The strong partnership that exists between school and home enhances and enriches the unique educational opportunities that exist for our young people. I am grateful to be a cog in the wheel that keeps this school moving forward. There is no better place to be!

Yours in Education,
Donna C. Binninger
Principal



Principal for a Day Students

Principals for a Day performed their duties very well! Being Principal for a day was no easy task, yet both Frank Sacco and Nicole Mack made it look like fun!

Congratulations on a job well done!

Fanny's Phrases



Stay Informed

"Everybody likes a compliment"

Abraham Lincoln

I am so excited that our Annual Auction is finally here. I am looking forward to seeing everyone on Saturday night and to having an enjoyable evening.

Our next PTA meeting has been rescheduled to Wednesday, February 15th at 6 p.m. It will be a quick budget meeting followed by a program presented by Kid Safe. "Learn how to talk with your child about their personal safety without creating fear and take home concrete skills you can use immediately." To RSVP, contact Katherine Cruz at escrito7@yahoo.com or visit the AMES PTA website at amespta.com for further information.

Jump Rope for Heart is scheduled for Tuesday, February 14th. Please remember to have your child wear sneakers that day and to bring a bottle of water. The Community Blood Centers of Florida Blood Mobile will also be at our school during school hours. The classroom with the most parent participation at the bloodmobile will win a pizza party. Thank you in advance for giving back to our community.

Volunteers are needed for several upcoming events such as Book Fair, Teacher appreciation week, BUD Club's Dads and Donuts morning, Fifth Grade Luncheon and Fifth Grade Popcorn Sales. If you are interested in lending a hand, we'd love to have you.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at ptapresident@amespta.com

Working together,

Fanny Hourigan, PTA President



Wednesday, Feb. 15, 6 p.m. in the Cafeteria -- We all want to keep our kids safe. Learning the best ways to do that, and also giving your kids the know-how to be smart in dangerous situations can make all the difference. **KidSafe** teaches us how. Join us for dinner and an informative discussion that will give you armored defenses (like internet safety and body boundaries) to protect your family. Parents and children (K-5) are welcome. **RSVP** to Katherine Cruz by Friday, Feb. 10th to reserve your spot. Please include name, number of family members attending, and grade of child/children. ****A few volunteers to help hand out food are needed for this event. If you'd like to help out, please let Katherine know.**

This is a picture of A.M.E.S.' very own *Audrey Ramsey* in Mrs. Sommer's 5th grade class, winning the Elks Hoop Shoot Florida regional in Estero, FL. Now it is off to the state championship! Good luck Audrey, Addison Mizner is cheering for you.

Audrey Ramsey



Alison Fleming

When asked about her inspiration Alison said, "I came up with my poem *Spiders* because I used to be terrified of them. So I wrote the poem after my old fear. I remember how scared I was when I saw one. The fear inspired me to write my poem about them and then I was so pleased."



Alison Fleming of Mr. Zastrow's 3rd grade class wrote a poem titled "Spiders". She submitted her poem to *Magic Dragon*, a quarterly publication that presents writing and art created by children in the elementary school grades. Alison's poem was published. Congratulations Alison!

AMES 20TH ANNUAL AUCTION

Saturday, February 4, 2012

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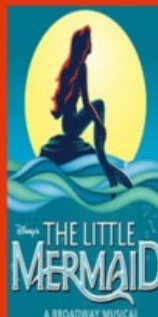
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2011-2012 AMES Yearbook Order Deadline March 1st

Please order your 2011-2012 AMES Yearbook today! You can order online at www.amespta.com or through your child's backpack with the order form that was sent home.

Our hardcover, full-color yearbook will include classroom pages, as well as lots of candid photos from events and activities throughout the year. It's a great memory keepsake of your child's school year. The cost for the yearbook is \$33. Foil imprinting of your child's name or a nice message can be purchased for an additional \$4. Maximum 26 characters.

Please note: The final order deadline has been changed to Thursday, March 1, to accommodate the publisher's schedule. The yearbook will be delivered to your child's homeroom teacher in the spring.

Important Dates to Remember

- Feb. 14 - Valentine's Day / Jump Rope for Heart
- Feb. 17 - Trimester Ends
- Feb. 20 - President's Day - No School for Students
- Feb. 22 - George Washington's Birthday
- Feb. 28 - 4th Grade FCAT Writing
- Feb. 29 - Leap Year Day



"Power Up" with Breakfast.

The most important meal of the day!!

Breakfast is a very important meal. Students do better in school when they start the day with a healthy and delicious breakfast.

The AMES Cafeteria serves breakfast from 7:30-8:00 a.m. daily.

Our breakfast menu is on our District web page (www.palmbeachschools.org) just click on Students - Breakfast & Lunch Menu - What's on the menu?


Hope to see you soon!

Roberta Sinclair, Cafeteria Manager



February



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6 Chicken Parmesan Sandwich Beef Taco Wedges Pb & J & Cheese Stick Peas & Carrots	7 Traditional or Fiesta Beefaroni w/Breadstick Corndog Muffin Platter California Blend	8 BBQ Chicken Stuffed Crust Pizza PB & J & Cheese Sweet Potato Bake	9 Cuban Pork w/Roll Chicken Patty Sandwich Muffin Platter Black Beans mixed with Rice Sliced Sweet Plantains Garden Salad	10 Fiesta Pizza Fish Sticks w/ Roll PB & J & Cheese Stick Corn on the Cob
13 Cheeseburger Hot Dog PB & J & Cheese Stick Baked Beans	14  Penne Pasta & Meat Sauce or Meat Sauce w/Breadstick Grilled Cheese Sandwich Muffin Platter Broccoli Garden Salad	15 Chicken Tenders w/Roll Sloppy Joe Sandwich PB & J & Cheese Stick Sweet Potato Wedges	16 Meatloaf w/Roll Gravy Chicken Patty Sandwich Garden Salad Deluxe Muffin Platter Mashed Potatoes	17 Teriyaki Chicken w/Rice Pizza PB & J & Cheese Stick Corn on the Cob
20 No School for Students	21 Mac & Cheese w/Roll Meatball Sub Muffin Platter Broccoli	22 Oven Roast Chicken w/Roll Sloppy Joe Sandwich Garden Salad	23 Turkey Roast w/Roll Gravy Chicken Patty Sandwich Muffin Platter	24 Soft Taco Stuffed Crust Pizza PB & J & Cheese Stick Fresh Green Beans
27 Chicken Nuggets w/Roll Vegetarian Chili w/Corn Chips PB & J & Cheese Stick Brown Rice Caribbean Blend	28 Chicken Patty Sandwich Muffin Platter Grilled Cheese Sandwich Sweet Peas	29 Chicken Fajita Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwich PB & J & Cheese Stick Yellow Rice Black Beans		