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From the Principal's Desk . . .

Dear Parents,

We are near the end of the last trimester and the close of another super year of working together. A tremendous amount of progress has occurred this year for our school. As a team, I am confident that we will accomplish a great deal more in the future.

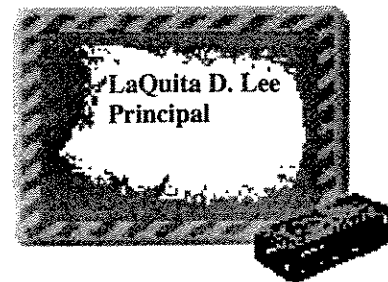
We have continued to put emphasis on the quality of academic programs at Colbert Elementary Magnet School. We have demonstrated again this year, that our students are learning well, and they rank high on the various measures of academic achievement.

As we move forward to next school year, we will continue to pursue our goals of excellence in the following areas:

- All core curriculum
- Excellent school climate, including attendance, discipline, and beautification
- Instructional Leadership
- Parent Involvement
- Staff Development

I look forward to another fantastic school year of academic excellence, beginning on Monday, August 1, 2005. Thank you for your continuous support! Have a restful, enjoyable, and safe summer.

Sincerely,



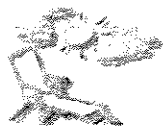
Mark your Calendars

JUNE				
M	T	W	Th	F
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6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	



June

- June 1 Pre-K/Headstart Transition Program
Cafeteria 9:00 AM
- June 2 1-2 Grade Field Trip To Wannado City
- June 3 3rd Grade Field Trip to Museum of Science
5th Grade Field Trip to Universal Studios
- June 7 SAC Meeting
4:00 PM -5:30 PM Media Center
- June 8 Author's and Math Night 6:00 PM
- June 10 D.A.R.E. Graduation Assembly
- June 13 Awards Assembly
Grade 3 - 8:30 AM Cafeteria
Grade 4 - 9:30 AM Cafeteria
- June 14 Awards Assembly Cafeteria
Grade 5 - 9:00 AM
- June 21 Last Day of School
Early Release Day- 12:20 PM Dismissal
Report cards go home



Happy Summer

Monday, August 1, 2005 - First Day of School for Students (2005-2006 School Year)

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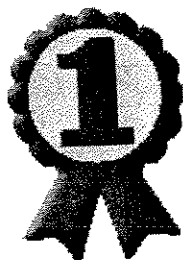
Character Education

JUNE CHARACTER TRAIT - COOPERATION
The following students were selected by their classroom teacher for demonstrating this quality and trait within the school setting.

PreK/Head Start

Mrs. FORBING
Mrs. BASSETT
Mrs. HOO
Ms. ST. HILL

Alexis Williams
Raven Hope
Terran Shephard
Regina Taylor



Kindergarten

Ms. AKTURE
Mrs. FORTIN
Mrs. SUAREZ
Ms. THOMAS
Ms. VITCAVAGE
Mrs. EVANS

Patrick Ferdinand
Demetris Symonette
Agustin Leal
Freddie Jimenez
Derrick Frazier
Melanie Ellis

First Grade

Mrs. FRUTOS
Mrs. RODRIGUEZ
Mrs. COOPER
Ms. GALLMAN
Mr. TALMADGE

Donneisha Butler
Alina Perez
Roshany Watson
Devon Vidal
Xavier Navarro

Second Grade

Mr. BENSON
Ms. CHAIN
Ms. FRANCOIS
Ms. BECKFORD
Mrs. LACAYO
Mrs. GRAHAM

Maya Gregory
Shakendria Jordan
Christina Jones
Kamal Jackson
Kimberly Sosa
Kristopher Losche



Third Grade

Ms. SMITH
Ms. CACHO
Ms. CAIN
Ms. DAY
Mrs. DEL BARRIO

Myranda Miller
Caitlin Mercado
Lemuel Jones
Stanley Valentine
Erica Armbrister

Fourth Grade

Mrs. JOHNSON
Ms. CONCEPCION
Ms. DICKS
Ms. MACK
Mrs. WHITNEY

Alexander Ortiz
Raul Panesso
Enzo Juarez
James Anderson
Julissa Robinson

Fifth Grade

Ms. BATIST
Ms. BRAYNEN
Ms. FREEMAN
Ms. PADILLA

Alexis Bazan
Yasiel Depew
Deneshia Mumford
Anyuria Delgado

**PARENTS PLEASE TAKE NOTE
OF THE IMPORTANT DATES BELOW**

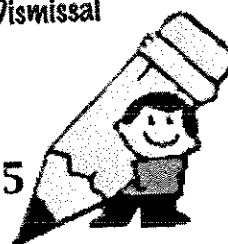


TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2005

- Last Day of School for Students
- Early Release Day- 12:20 PM Dismissal
- Report Cards Go Home

MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2005

- First Day of School for Students



"MILLION HOLES PROJECT"

A "Million Holes Project" was started ten years ago by Mrs. Virginia Jenison, Magnet Math Teacher, at Colbert Elementary Magnet School. This project helped develop the students motor skills and coordination while giving them a true understanding of our base 10 number system. The students and Mrs. Jenison reached this milestone on Thursday, May 26, 2005, and were featured on Channel 4 News. Congratulations to Mrs. Jenison and our students for making such a great accomplishment. Continue to set your goals high and reach for the stars!



**Congratulations on a Job Well Done!
Keep up the Good Work!**



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Superintendent of Schools

The next School Board Meetings will be held:

June 7, 2005, 10:15 A.M.

June 21, 2005, 10:15 A.M.

June 29, 2005 5:30 P.M. 1st Public Hearing on the
District Educational Facilities Plan

K. C. Wright Administration Building
600 SE Third Ave. Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301
Board Room/Pre-Function Room

Broward County Public Schools
Main Telephone Number
Phone: (754) 321-0000

Please call the above telephone number if inquiring
about being included on the School Board Agenda.



REMINDER



- ◆ Please do not drop students off before 7:30 AM as there is no supervision!
- ◆ Students who arrive to class after the 8:20 AM bell will be marked tardy by the classroom teacher. Students must report to the office for a tardy pass after the 8:25 AM bell rings.
- ◆ All visitors must check into the office upon arriving on campus. All visitors must wear a "Visitors Badge" and will not be allowed in classrooms or in the hallways after 8:20 AM without a badge.
- ◆ All absences must be reported within 2 days.
- ◆ Refer to the Code of Student Conduct book for appropriate dress code and rules governing our students.
- ◆ Picture ID or a password is required for signing students out. Only the name(s) that appear on the Student Information Form will be allowed to sign out a student.
- ◆ Students are not allowed to be signed out after 1:50 PM (Code of Student Conduct book).
- ◆ All students must be picked up promptly at 2:20 PM.

Attendance Line

754-323-5102



The attendance line is a message center. When calling in your child's absence, please leave the child's name, teacher's name, date of absence, reason for absence, and your relationship to the child.

✓ Excused absences must be reported to the school office within two school days following the absence, or the absence will be considered unexcused.

✓ Refer to pages 6-8 in the Code of Student Conduct book.



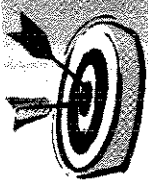
Students Honored

We are proud to announce that our very own Colbert Elementary Magnet School students Kaesean Gauden and Roberto Aureoles were honored recently in the Fifth Annual South Florida Sun-Sentinel Kids of Character Awards Program.

The ceremony, held at Cooper City High School, on Monday evening, May 16, 2005, featured the Flanagan High School Navy JROTC Color Guard unit and presentations by District officials. The students honored demonstrated one or more of the District's eight character traits: cooperation, responsibility, citizenship, kindness, respect, honesty, self-control and tolerance. Congratulations Kaesean and Roberto!

Criteria for Promotion

Making Your Mark For Promotion
Plan For the Future



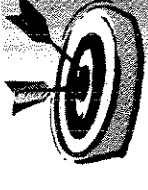
Recognizes 45 out of 52 Letter Names and understands 15 out of 21 Concepts of Print

OR

Knows 18 out of 26 Sounds and understands 15 out of 21 Concepts of Print

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Scores at or above the 25th percentile on the Stanford Achievement Test (SAT10) in reading comprehension

OR

Scores at or above the 25th percentile on the Stanford Diagnostic Test in reading comprehension

FIRST GRADE

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Scores at or above the 25th percentile on the Stanford Achievement Test (SAT10) in reading comprehension

OR

Scores at or above the 25th percentile on the Stanford Diagnostic Test in reading comprehension

SECOND GRADE

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Scores at level 2 or higher on the FCAT-SSS in Reading

OR

Scores at or above the 51st percentile on the FCAT-NRT in reading comprehension

THIRD GRADE

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Meets Reading and Math criteria: Scores at level 2 or higher on the FCAT-SSS in Reading

Scores at level 2 or higher on the FCAT-SSS in Mathematics


OR

Scores at or above the 25th percentile on the FCAT-NRT or the equivalent percentile of the Stanford Diagnostic Test in Reading Comprehension

Scores at or above the 25th percentile on the FCAT-NRT or the equivalent percentile of the Stanford Diagnostic Test in Problem Solving

FOURTH GRADE

Making Your Mark For Promotion
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Meets Reading and Math criteria: Scores at level 2 or higher on the FCAT-SSS in Reading

Scores at level 2 or higher on the FCAT-SSS in Mathematics

OR

Scores at or above the 25th percentile on the FCAT-NRT or the equivalent percentile of the Stanford Diagnostic Test in Reading Comprehension

Scores at or above the 25th percentile on the FCAT-NRT or the equivalent percentile of the Stanford Diagnostic Test in Problem Solving

FIFTH GRADE

In addition to the reading and mathematics criteria listed above, a student's ability in writing and science will also be considered. The evaluation of each student's progress is based on classroom work, observations, tests, district and state assessments and other relevant information.

*Criteria are based on State law. There are limited exemptions for "good cause" promotion.