

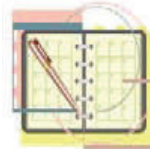
September 6 - 12, 2010

STRIVE 65:
Our Focus for this week is:
**WHEN WALKING IN LINE,
KEEP YOUR ARMS AT
YOUR SIDE AND MOVE
QUIETLY**

Calendar of Events

- September 6 No School Holiday (Labor Day)
- September 7 Boy's Soccer Grades 5 - 8 Initial Meeting
- September 8 Readers Digest Fundraiser
- September 9 No School
- September 10 Auditions for Drama Play at 3:15pm

***Coming Next Week: Benchmark Testing - September 14 -16



AGENDAS

All students in Grades 3-8 must purchase a school agenda for daily communication, homework assignments, and for Middle School hall passes. Agendas can be purchased from the homeroom teacher for \$5.



Delicious way to support our School
Pizza Sales on Tuesdays and Thursdays to support the Music and Drama Departments.
It's just \$2.00 per slice.



Broward e-tutor

Free Online Homework Help



You've got homework? There is help for you. Free, interactive tutoring in math, science, social studies and English for students in Grades K-12, introductory college levels and Adult Learners. Available every day: 2:00pm-10pm. Assistance in these subjects is also available in Spanish.

Simply go to <http://www.broward.org/library> and click on "etutor".



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Dismissal Procedures

1. **Children should not be dropped off before 8:00 am** unless arrangements have been made with Before Care. We do not provide morning supervision outside the school.
2. Make sure you have your placard on the windshield of your vehicle prior to pick-up your student(s). You will be asked to park and sign-out your child if you do not have it.
3. **Make sure that all students are picked up by 3:20 pm** unless they are in the After Care program.
4. Dismissal for elementary starts at 2:45 p.m. and the middle school is dismissed at 3:00 p.m.
5. Do not leave your car unattended or use your cell phone while in the car lines.



Note: Students not picked up by 3:20pm will be sent to After Care program and parent/guardians will be billed accordingly. *For the safety and security of everyone, we ask that parents adhere to the drop off and pick up procedures. Guidelines for drop-off and pick-up available at our school website: www.northbrowardcharter.org*



OPEN HOUSES WERE A HUGE SUCCESS!

Thank you to all the parents who were able to come to their child's Open House. It was a pleasure meeting you. If you were unable to make the meeting, please let the teacher know if you have any questions. Please remember that all teachers' email addresses are posted on the school website: www.northbrowardcharter.org



From the **Kindergarten Team**: Next week is a short week. We have no school on Monday as well as Thursday. We will begin the letter B so please practice at home. In math we are finishing the Unit on Shapes. Please re-view because the test is the following week. If you have not done so this is a reminder to please send in ALL signed paper work and the \$10 for the Scholastic magazine, pencils, and play dough. Thank you so much for taking the time to work with your child. We wish you a safe Labor Day!

Welcome to **first grade!** We look forward to a great year. We will be working hard with our new reading and math programs. Please be sure that you and your child are spending some time reading each night. This practice is so important to their development as fluent readers.

From the **Second Grade Team**: We have had an exciting first two weeks of school meeting new friends, practicing our Strive, and discovering what we will be learning this year. We look forward to the short week next week, but can't wait to get back and start our new Reading Unit called Kindness!

The **Third Grade Team** wants to thank all parents/guardians for bringing in supplies and all of their signed informational packets. Thank you, we are extremely appreciative. This week we continued practicing the procedures and following the rules in the classroom and throughout the school. The students are doing a fantastic job! During Reading Block, we are finishing up our summer read aloud, "James and the Giant Peach" by Roald Dahl. Throughout our Math Block, the students have learned different ways to name numbers, how to read and write greater numbers, as well as how to compare and order numbers. They also continued working with place-value blocks and flip charts. In addition, the students were introduced to nouns and pronouns in Language Arts and learned how to use primary and secondary sources to study history, during our Social Studies Block. In Science, the classes have studied the Scientific Method and used Scientific Inquiry to solve human and animal related problems. Furthermore, the children conducted an investigation using the Scientific Method and M&Ms. Our Third Grade Team is requesting that parents/guardians please send in the funds for Scholastic News to use with our Science and Social Studies Curriculum, as soon as possible. The cost is only \$5.00 and if you would like to sponsor another student, you will receive one volunteer hour. Also, we have not received enough of the Black and White Composition Books. If you purchase 5 books, you will receive one volunteer hour. Thank you in advance. We hope everyone enjoys their Labor Day Weekend.

From the **4th Grade Team**: During the next week our math classes will be learning to read and write numbers with up to nine digits. To do all of this, students have to understand the concept of **place value - that the value of a digit depends on its place in the number**. For example, in the number 327,841, the 7 is in the thousands place. Its value is 7,000. The comprehension strategies which will be taught are: Predicting, Asking Questions, Making Connections, and Adjusting Reading Speed. In Social Studies we will begin exploring the topic 'Florida's Geography.' Students will study Florida's location in relation to the rest of the world, examine the state's natural features and identify its major rivers and bays. On another note, Benchmark testing will be September 14th and 15th. Ensure that your child is well rested and punctual.

From the **5th Grade team**: We are off to the races in 5th grade and are working diligently to get our systems and routines in place. We are asking that you bring in \$10.00 to cover the cost of the two magazines that we would like to purchase for each student. Please turn in the money by September 10th. You will receive one volunteer hour for your contribution. As always, if you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the team.

From the desk of the Reading Department...
PARENTS BE SURE TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S READING!

These first two weeks have flown by. Reading is fundamental and critical to every part of life. Most teachers have used this opportunity to pre-test your student and establish relationships for a strong beginning to this new year. This is still the honeymoon period and as the year progresses; you will notice increasing amounts of studying and home learning requirements.

PARENTS BE SURE TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S READING!

If I have the pleasure of being your child's teacher, I have expressed a sincere need for students to have access to books and conversations about books. Please ask your child what he or she is reading. If the answer is no, get them something to read.

PARENTS BE SURE TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S READING!

This bolded message is meant to be my not so subliminal message.

When you read, you can make choices about your life. When you don't read, the choices about your life are made for you.

Have an enjoyable Labor Day Weekend!

Middle School Language Arts:

Parents please make sure that your child completed his or her Summer Reading. And just in case you forgot below is the list of the required reading assignment for each grade level:

6th Grade: Elijah of Buxton

7th Grade: Number the Stars

8th Grade: Night School

Middle School Social Studies:

World History: The **6th graders** are diving into the early history of the world. Students are traveling to the first civilization of Mesopotamia. Here, students will discover many artifacts, fossils, and cool discoveries.

World Geography- The **7th graders** are beginning their travels around the world. Before we begin our journey, we must learn the basics-- How to think like a geographer! Students will have their Chapter 1 Test on September 8th. Our next chapter is on Water, Climate, and Vegetation.

U.S. History- **Welcome Ms. Dixon to NBAE Middle School!** Students will begin their journey across America next week beginning with the Early Americas

7th Grade Math - I just wanted to thank all the parents that attended the open house. If you were not able to attend, please make sure you get the open house letter I am sending home. It has important information about the new math book's web site. The best way to contact me is to use my e-mail. lferch@northbrowardcharter.org



Students now have an additional reading resource to help them locate exciting books tailored to their own interests or school assignments. Through a joint partnership between the Florida Departments of Education and State, and Lexile®-developer MetaMetrics®, “Find a Book, Florida” aims to encourage students to consistently read throughout the year by helping them locate books they’ll be challenged by and enjoy.

This free, online book search tool allows students to build personal reading lists that will best complement their reading ability and interests from a growing database of fiction and nonfiction titles. Using Lexile measures, the standard for matching readers with books, “Find a Book, Florida” makes it easier for students and families to select the right books and then locate these selections at their local public library.

Since the program’s inception in Florida this summer, “Find a Book” has scored more than 40,000 unique visits to the site, averaging nearly 10 minutes in the book search. We encourage you to share “Find a Book, Florida” with teachers throughout your district as another tool to support your district’s reading efforts. You can access the book search by going to the Department’s website at www.fldoe.org or by visiting <http://florida.lexile.com>.

Student Information System (SIS)



The school’s student information system provides up to date information on student attendance, academic progress, and is an excellent way to communicate with teachers.

To access SIS please go to www.northbrowardcharter.org and enter your login and password. Please take a moment to review the Calendar of Events on the home page. If you do not remember your password, please contact the school at (954) 718-2211.

Before and After Care

NBAE’s Before and After Care program is still accepting students into the program.

- Before Care starts at 7:00 a.m. and ends at 8:00 a.m. and is \$50 a month per student. Before Care rates do not include breakfast.
- After Care begins at 2:45 p.m. and ends at 6:00 p.m. and is \$160 a month per student.
- Before and After Care is \$200 a month per student.

If you are interested in registering your child into the program, please speak with Mrs. Morales, the Before & After Care Director, or Ms. Joy between 7:00-8:00 a.m. or from 3:00-6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at 954-718-2211. You can also send an email to Mrs. Morales at jmorales@northbrowardcharter.org.

Note: There is a one time Registration Fee of \$25 for each student

Special Announcements

Joe DiMaggio Children’s Hospital Family Resource Fair and Teens’ Transition to Life Summit

Saturday, September 25, 2010

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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6900 State Road 84, Davie



ESE Advisory General 2010-2011 Meeting Dates

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

September 20, 2010

October 18, 2010

November 15, 2010

January 10, 2010

February 28, 2010

March 28, 2010

April 25, 2010

May 16, 2010

All ESE Advisory Meetings will be held at:

Piper High School

800 NW 44th Street, Sunrise, FL 33321

For more information: 754-321-2200



ESOL Leadership Council Meeting

will be held on:

September 29, 2010

KC Wright Administration Building

6:30 – 8:30 PM

“Learning About the ESOL Program”