



# Mustang News

37205 Manatee Avenue, Myakka City, Fl. 34251

November-December 2018

## Dates to Remember

Nov. 13-26 Otis Cookie Dough Sales through PTO.

Nov. 15 Progress Reports go home

Nov. 19-23 Fall Break

Nov. 23 Happy Thanksgiving

Nov. 29 Science Fair Projects are due

Dec. 7 Hat Day- bring \$1.00

Dec. 12-14 Santa's Workshop

Dec. 18 Cookie Dough pick up

Dec. 20 Jingle Bell Fun Run in the Sun Incentive

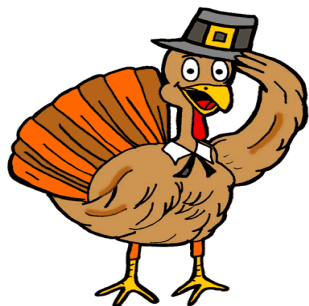
Dec. 21 End of Quarter

Dec. 24- Jan 3 Winter Break

Jan 4 Record Day. No school for students

Jan. 7 Teacher in-service. No school for students.

Jan. 8 Students return from break



## Administrator's Corner

Dear Myakka Families,

It is now November and the cool air is finally here. The holidays will be fast upon us which makes second quarter one of the hardest for our students. Students will need to stay organized, stay on top of their reading and math goals and come to school every day unless they are sick. They will need reminders and encouragement to read nightly.

I would like to thank our wonderful PTO for organizing a fabulous Fall "Boo Bash" event. A lot of hard work and preparation went into making this such a successful event. It was great to see everyone having a fun night. Parents, we appreciate your support of the event and for helping with the auction items. All proceeds will go back to the classrooms.

PTO is currently running the Otis Spunkmeyer cookie dough fundraiser. The cookie pick -up day is currently scheduled for December 18<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Mark your calendars for our next SAC and PTO meeting which will be January 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving and gets to enjoy some family time over the Thanksgiving break. I am truly "thankful" for the wonderful students, staff, and parents that we have at Myakka Elementary and for my supportive family that helps me to do what I love every day!

As always, if I can ever be of assistance, please feel free to email me at [pricek@manateeschools.net](mailto:pricek@manateeschools.net) or call at 708-5515 ext. 2001. Have a blessed day!

Sincerely,  
Kathy Price  
Principal, Myakka City Elementary



## Register for the Parent Portal

We still have 73 students that have not signed up for this. If you do not have access to a computer, you are welcome to go to the front office to sign up. Then you will be able to use your phone to see all of your child's academic progress.

This first step must be done on a computer

Go to <https://focus.manateeschools.net/auth>



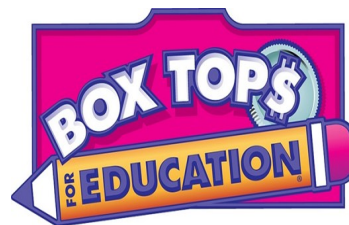
After you complete the steps in the instructions, you will be able to get your child's report cards, progress reports and more on the MySDMC school AP on your phone.

If you need help registering, please let our office staff know or call Terri Peters at 941-708-5515 X 2003.

### NEWS ALERT!!

**Pokemon cards are considered toys and toys are not allowed at school.** Students are aware of this rule and cards will be collected if seen during school hours. The card trading is causing many issues among students. Thank you parents for your support.

**Our Staff Wishes  
you a Wonderful  
Thanksgiving and a  
Merry Christmas!**



**Keep Collecting those Box  
Tops!**

They help our school buy many items for our school and kids. See Debbie Ackaway for more information.

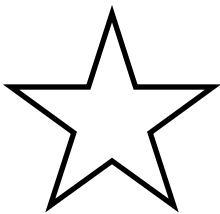
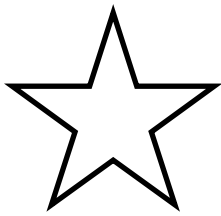
# The Jingle Bell Fun Run Incentive!



The attendance rate is important because students are more likely to succeed in academics when they attend school consistently. To help motivate students to attend school, we are launching the “Strive for Five” campaign! Our first semester, we will be having the Jingle Bell Fun Run! It will be on the field with music and games! For your child to be included in this celebration, he/she can only miss 2 or fewer days of school starting October 1<sup>st</sup> and ending December 20th. If your child has medical circumstances, please turn in the doctor’s note and the absence will not count for this celebration. Please contact Kim Thomas at [thomas2k@manateschools.net](mailto:thomas2k@manateschools.net) with any questions. We hope to see everyone at school!!!!!!!!



Look what our K-Kids are doing?  
 Have you found a kindness rock yet?  
 Keep searching.



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**Hello from STEM lab!** Engineering creativity is the theme of the month for Kindergarten and First grade. These students are building marble runs from nothing more than books, cardboard, and foam! They are learning about inclines, speed bumps, textures, and Newton's Laws of Motion (even if they can't put that name to it yet :) I am amazed at their ingenuity and perseverance to make the best tracks they can! They are also learning to be appreciative of, and learn from, the successes of their peers!! It is exciting and rewarding to listen to them cheering each other on. Learning through trial and error and being your own teacher is resulting in some exciting growth. Kudos to all our budding engineers!!!



## News From the Garden Club

We harvested our 1<sup>st</sup> Veggies today!!!! We were able to pick and taste a cucumber, a zucchini and 2 tomatoes!

**SO EXCITING!!!**

