



Liberty Patriot Stars

Learners Today ~ Leaders Tomorrow

October

- 15—End of First Quarter
- 18—No School (Teacher Workday)
- 17—Picture Retake Day
- 24—PTO/SAC Meeting @ 5:30pm
- 28—Report Cards sent home
- 31—Character Parade

November

- 6—No School
- 18-22—Book Fair
- 18—Mid Terms sent home
- 22—Student Lead Conferences
- 22—Turkey Trot @8:30am
- 27-29—Thanksgiving break begins

Six Little Stories With Lots of Meaning

Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella.

That is faith.

When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them.

That is trust.

Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set the alarm to wake up.

That is hope.

We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future.

That is confidence.

We see the world suffering, but still, we get married and have children.

That is love.

An old man's T-shirt reads, "I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience.

That is attitude.

Pumpkin Book Report



It's October and that means pumpkins are everywhere! Let's take this harvest theme and bring it into our class for some reading fun! This month we are asking you to complete this really different book report together!

Select a book and read it together.

- ★Focus your discussion on the characters in the story.
- ★Pick one character and create them on a small pie size pumpkin. (A small enough pumpkin that the student can carry it.)
- ★Decorate it, paint it, glue things to it, and just get creative! (Please don't carve it though.)
- ★Complete the book report on the back of this page to be displayed with your pumpkin.

Here are some samples:



Don't have a book, not a problem! Visit the school library, Title I Center, your local library or bookstore.

Pumpkin Book Reports will be displayed during the Character Parade on Thursday, October 31st. All students that complete and bring in a Pumpkin Book Report will earn a point for their Red, White, or Blue Team!

Please send in your pumpkin, book report, and book by **Wednesday, October 30th**.



News from the ART ROOM

There are lots of exciting things going on in art so far this year!

Students are learning about Pablo Picasso and abstract art. Kindergarten has watched primary colors mix to become secondary colors, and they are presently working on self-portraits! First graders are drawing fall pumpkins and are showing color value, shine, and shadows in their work. Second and third graders are creating Picasso style self-portraits with paint, crayons, and oil pastels. Fourth graders are working on beautiful leaves with Zentangle designs on them.

Many Liberty students are participating in an Attendance Poster Contest to help promote the importance of being in school all day, every day.

Fifth grade students are working on their Tag Art projects. They get to create an original design that can be turned into a novelty license plate. Order forms to purchase the license plates will be coming home soon! The Tag Art program is sponsored by the Charlotte County Tax Collector's office and they will choose their favorites to receive awards and to go on sale to the public.

November 7th is the date of this year's Empty Bowls event. This is a wonderful fundraiser in our community. Tickets cover admission, a light dinner, entertainment, a silent auction, bake sale, and a pottery bowl to take home to remind us of those who are less fortunate and may indeed have "an empty bowl." Liberty students will be helping to make placemats for the event, and some will be serving and making clay bowls. Tickets will soon be available to purchase in the front office.

Family Reading Experience



All are invited to visit the Title 1 Family Reading Experience (FRE) and check out up to three books. In addition to the weekly check-out books, each child receives one weekly "Keeper" book for their home library. The FRE takes place twice a week, on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:30am—8:30am in the Media Center. Parents, along with Ms. McGill, locate books that are "just right" for each child's reading level.

Mrs. Clow's Third Graders

Students in Mrs. Clow's class put together Tinker crates. They had to follow directions in a technical text and use teamwork to complete their kits.





MEET LIBERTY ELEMENTARY'S SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Deputy Orneas is the new SRO at Liberty Elementary School this year. She has been with the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office for a little over eight years, and this is her fifth year as an SRO. Before her current assignment at Liberty, Deputy Orneas was an SRO at Meadow Park Elementary, Vineland Elementary, and Port Charlotte High School. A fun fact about Deputy Orneas is that she attended Liberty Elementary as a student many many years ago. In her free time, Deputy Orneas enjoys exercising and spending time with her family. She is thrilled to be here and is an excellent addition to the Liberty family.



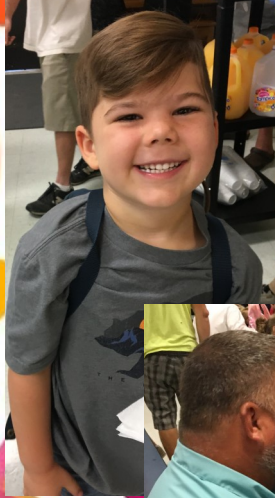
Charlotte County Public Schools continue to provide education and training to our students and staff to make our schools a safer place. Officer Orneas has visited each classroom this year to make students aware of the "safest place" in their classroom during an Active Shooter Preparedness Training. Mrs. Steagall's class, pictured above, was excited to have Office "O" in their classroom to lead them in this training.







Donuts with Dad



A big Liberty Thank You to Dunkin Donuts and Children's Pastor Matt Marion from New Day Christian for their contributions to our event!

