# THE FALCON'S FOCUS



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"A" School in the
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in Florida



Falcon Families,

There have been so many wonderful things going on at FCA! As we wrap up the first quarter, we will work to make the rest of the year even better. Our teachers have been doing amazing things to engage our students and make learning fun. I am excited to see what they do the rest of the year.

**Literacy Parade for grades K-5**: On Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup> we will hold our literacy parade in the front parking lot of the school. We invite all parents to line the parking lot to view the students dressed as a character from a book. We have scheduled this the day AFTER Halloween to help families plan. As a school we do not celebrate Halloween, but instead we celebrate literacy and books. After the parade is finished, the students will move the back field where we will have fun celebrating the school reaching our Boosterthon Goal. We are asking that students <u>do not</u> wear costumes on Thursday, Oct. 31. All costumes worn for the Literacy Parade must follow the school dress code and the code of conduct. The parade will begin at 9am on Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Volleyball team update: If you have not been to one of our volleyball games, you have missed some of the most exciting moments in sports. The atmosphere in our home gym is like nothing else around. Last year we only competed against the other K-8 schools in a league for only 6<sup>th</sup> graders, and we were undefeated. This year we are in a league with all the K-8 and middle schools across the district. While our team is made up of only 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders, we are competing against teams with 8<sup>th</sup> graders. We are excited that our boys' team has secured a highly seeded spot in the playoffs! We will be taking a student bus to the away playoff games. More details to come, but we hope you will join us as we support our team. The environment that we have at games has made a difference. We will be sending out game specifics once the schedule is finalized. Until then, we have our final home game of the regular season this evening here at FCA. Both the boys' and the girls' teams are fighting for the placement in the final standings. Admission is \$3 and games start at 5:30pm. We have food for sale as well.

Report Cards – As a reminder, Report Cards will be published online on Friday, November 1st.

Day Light Saving Time ends Sunday, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Enjoy the extra hour!

Sincerely,
Allen Anderson

### **Important Dates**



Oct. 21 - 25 - Book Fair in Media Center

Oct. 23 – 30 - Red Ribbon Week

Nov. 1 - Literacy Parade

Nov. 3 - End of Daylight Saving Time—Fall Back

Nov. 7 - Chorus Concert "An American Salute" 6:30 pm

Nov. 11 - Veterans Day Holiday—No School

Nov. 12 - SAC meeting-Media Center 4:00 pm

Nov. 14 - Picture Retakes

Nov. 14 - Concert - Beginning Band & Concert Band 6:30 pm

Nov. 21 - Concert - Orff Ensemble and Jazz Ensemble 6:30 pm

Nov. 25 - Kindergarten Grandparents Day

Nov. 27 - 29—Thanksgiving Holiday – No School

Dec. 20 - End of first semester

Dec. 23—Begin Winter Break

### **Music News**

#### **UPCOMING CONCERTS BY OUR FALCON MUSIC DEPARTMENT:**

- November 7, 2019 6:30 pm
   Chorus Concert "An American Salute"
- November 14, 2019 6:30 pm
   Beginning & Advanced Band Concert
- November 21, 2019 6:30 pm
   Orff Ensemble & Jazz Band Concert

All concerts will be in our cafetorium Everyone is welcome to attend Free admission



### **Important Reminder**

#### **BIKER & WALKER INFORMATION ON RAINY DAYS CAN BE RECEIVED THROUGH REMIND:**

To enroll send a text to the number- 81010 In the body of the text write one of the following:

@fcabwk-2 (for families with a child in grades Kinder, First or Second) @fcabw3-5 (for families with a child in grades 3, 4 and 5) @fcabw6-8 (for families with a child in grades 6 and 7)



# Thank you, Smiles by Glenos Orthodontist!

#### **PTO Business Partner Spotlight**

We would like to recognize our business partner, "Smiles by Glenos Orthodontist". To date, they are our largest PTO sponsor and we are very thankful for their continued support this year. They were part of our inaugural year and renewed their business partner agreement this year. They were voted St Augustine's Best Orthodontist in 2019!

# **PTO Spotlight on Partners in Education**



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https://www.smore.com/dynv4-news-from-the-nest

### Red Ribbon Week October 23-30



**Wednesday (10/23):** Unity Day! Wear ORANGE today as we come together to send a message of hope and support, to visibly show, that we believe that no one should ever experience bullying. Be the "I" in Kind!



**Thursday (10/24):** Wear RED today as we rally against drugs and bullying! Through respect, we create a safe and pleasant school environment for all.



**Friday (10/25):** Wear your FCA Spirit Wear to celebrate our Falcon Family! By working together, we can team up against bullying and drugs and reach our goal to be bully-free and drug-free.



**Monday (10/28):** Wear your tye-dye to represent the mix of choices we have to make every day. You have the power to choose, but also the duty to take responsibility for the choices you make. Let's make healthy choices!



**Tuesday (10/29):** Wear Crazy Socks to "sock it to drugs and unhealthy choices." Be doing this, we make ourselves a better person that will help make our school and community a better place free of bullying and drugs.



**Wednesday (10/30):** Pledge Day! Let's make a pledge together to be good citizens and grow up to be healthy, bully-free, and drug-free.

THE BOOK FAIR
IS HERE THIS
WEEK!

