



February 2025

### Symmes Elementary School

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A Hillsborough County Public School

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**Student Hours:**  
Monday-Friday 7:40–1:55  
**To report your child's absence:**  
Please call 740-4182 press 1 and leave a message.

February will be a busy month as our school celebrates Black History Month, participates in Jump Rope for Heart, showcases our Science Fair projects, holds our Stem Night and kicks off our Fun Run. We will also hold our Kindergarten Roundup on Wednesday, Feb. 26th at 5:30 pm. If you have or know an incoming Kindergarten for the 2025-2026 school year please join us.

Just a reminder students are off on February 14th this month. We will have school on Monday the 17th due to changes in the calendar. All Mondays are full school days.

With Regards,  
Ms. Rothenbush  
Principal



#### Upcoming events

- 2/5**  
ELP Starts 2-3:30p
- 2/6**  
ELP 2-3:30p  
Science Night
- 2/7**  
Shark Shop 1 & 4
- 2/12**  
ELP 2-3:30p
- 2/13**  
Jump Rope for Heart  
Fun Run Kick -Off  
Conference Night
- 2/14**  
No School- Fair Day
- 2/19**  
ELP 2-3:30p
- 2/20**  
ELP 2-3:30
- 2/21**  
Shark Shop 2 & 3
- 2/25**  
Fun Run
- 2/26**  
Spring Pictures  
ELP 2-3:30  
KG Round-up 5:30p
- 2/27**  
Terrific Kid  
ELP 2-3:30
- 2/28**  
Shark Shop K & 5  
Fairy Tale Bowl

#### Media Center News

February is Library Lovers Month, and we have lots of fun activities for you to enjoy. A flyer will be sent home and attached to our weekly email newsletter for information about our daily activities. We are also celebrating Black History Month. In the media center we will have some of our new biographies on display and there are also some great options to read on myOn. I hope you enjoy reading about these famous Americans.

Our district is participating in Read to the Final Four in partnership with the NCAA Team Works and the Tampa Bay Sports Commission. Students have the opportunity to win amazing prizes for reading on myOn. Every time a student logs on and reads, myOn records their minutes. This contest is broken up into 4 quarters. Q1 is for PreK and Kindergarten students 1/21-2/4. Q2 is for 1st and 2nd grade students 2/5-18. Q3 is for 4th and 5th grade students 2/19-3/1. Q4 is for 3rd grade students 3/4-21. Each quarter presents an opportunity for students to earn prizes. The top two schools from our district (3rd grade students) will be invited to Tourney Town during the Women's Final Four in April.

# FEBRUARY 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5 <i>ELP Begins 2-3:30pm</i> <i>Art Club 2-3pm</i> <i>Robotics 2-3pm</i>	6 <i>ELP 2-3:30pm</i> <i>Chorus 2-3:30pm</i> <i>Science Night</i>	7 <i>S/S 1&amp;4</i>	8
9	10 <i>Pta Meeting 6:30p</i> <i>Gr. 5 banquet meeting 6pm</i>	11	12 <i>ELP 2-3:30pm</i> <i>Art Club 2-3pm</i> <i>Robotics 2-3pm</i>	13 <i>Jump Rope for Heart</i> <i>Fun Run Kick-off</i> <i>Conference Night 3-8pm</i>	14 <b>No School</b> <i>Fair Day</i> <i>Valentines Day</i>	15
16	17 <i>Mid-terms go home this week</i>	18	19 <i>ELP 2-3:30pm</i> <i>Art Club 2-3pm</i> <i>Robotics 2-3pm</i>	20 <i>ELP 2-3:30pm</i> <i>Art Club 2-3pm</i> <i>Chorus 2-3pm</i>	21 <i>S/S 2 &amp; 3</i>	22
23	24	25 <i>Fun Run</i>	26 <i>Spring Pictures</i> <i>ELP 2-3:30pm</i> <i>Art Club 2-3pm</i> <i>Robotics 2-3pm</i>	27 <i>Terrific Kid</i> <i>ELP 2-3:30pm</i> <i>Chorus 2-3pm</i>	28 <i>S/S K &amp; 3</i> <i>Fairy Tale Bowl</i>	

## Upcoming Events

3/13 Field Day

3/17-3/21 Spring Break

3/28 End of 3rd 9 weeks



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