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Vision: Lutz K-8: Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow



Fall Picture Re-Takes If you missed Fall Picture Day, re-takes will be held on Tuesday, October 22, 2024.

NO Early Release Mondays Please be aware that there will be no early release days through Monday, December 16, 2024.

Dismissal will be at 2:10pm every Monday.

Principal's Note

Lutz Leopard Families.

We hope all our leopard families are doing well following Hurricane Milton. The first nine weeks will now end on Friday October 25th. Report cards will become available for elementary students on November 13th.

We will be hosting a hurricane drive to support families in the community impacted by Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton. The drive will run through November 1st. Thank you to students and families who help us help our community.

As we move into the second nine weeks, we want to remind families that school starts at 7:40 a.m. We are working to decrease the number of diaries and ensure students are in class ready to learn at the start of the school day. Thank you for your support in this matter. In addition, if dropping your student(s) off in the front parking lot in the morning, they must be escorted to the front of the school. Thank you for ensuring safety for all students.

Have a great rest of October and we look forward to getting back to normal here around our school.

Mr. Phillips Principal Lutz K-8 School



Mission: Lutz K-8: Building Tomorrow's Leaders Through Responsibility, Effort, Attitude, and Leadership Book Character Parade

> Our book character parade will be on Thursday, October 31st beginning at 7:50 am. Students are invited to dress up like a favorite character from a book they have read and will carry the book with them during the parade. Please remember that the costume must depict a character from the book they have chosen and cannot be a spooky Halloween costume. Group costumes are allowed, and prizes will be awarded for the most creative, funniest, most realistic character and best group. Students will need to change into a school uniform after the parade. Families will be allowed to view the parade from the grassy area in Front of the School.

Down Syndrome Awareness Month October is Down Syndrome Awareness Month, a time dedicated to raising awareness and promoting acceptance for individuals with Down syndrome. This annual observance aims to educate the public about this genetic condition and celebrate the achievements and abilities of those who have it. We love you, Mason!

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. a global campaign to raise awareness and [support for those affected by the disease.

Middle School Volleyball



Boys Volleyball Tryouts -Monday 10/21 2:20pm-3:30pm Girls Volleyball Tryouts -Wednesday 10/23 2:20pm-3:30pm

Please contact Coach Smart or Coach Paul if you have any questions.

KONA ICE DAY

PE is doing a year-long fundraiser with Kona Ice. 25% of all sales will go directly back to our school. Currently for Middle School only

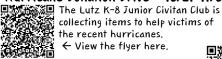
Klassic \$4 / King \$5

Kowabunga \$6 (\$3 refill) / Color Changing \$6 (\$3 refill) Allergy Concerns? E-mail wesleychapel@kona-ice.com We are working on a plan to include elementary as well! Lutz K-8 recognizes the importance of character and ensuring that our students can recognize their individual emotions, thoughts, feelings and values of themselves and others, and how this influences their behavior. Our character trait for October is **Respect**. We can show respect by being honest, polite, having a positive attitude, showing fairness, being a good listener and giving others our full attention.

-Sarah W. Garcia (PK-5th Grades) -Stephanie Barnes (6th-8th Grades)

Great American Teach-In The Great American Teach-In will be taking place on Thursday, November 21, 2024. Information will be sent home to families this month. Time slots for speakers fill up quickly! If you would like to sign up to be a guest speaker please contact school counselors. We hope to see you! Elementary Counselor - Sarah W. Garcia sarahw.garcia@hcps.net Middle School Counselor - Stephanie Barnes stephanie.barnes2@hcps.net

Hurricane Donation Drive - 10/21-11/01



Hurricane Milton Resources, Steps & Info-



Arent Apps – Questions and answers
Arent VUE, Canvas, KioskVUE & Synergy.

Here Comes the Bus - Download the App today to see the location of your child's 👬 school bus in real time. Instructions here



■ : • Yearbook – Order your 2024-2025 yearbook now! www.yearbookordercenter.com

SHOUT OUT CORNER

A big THANK YOU to Laurie Ricketson and Pasco/New Tampa i9 Sports for donating a 2nd soccer goal to our school! We appreciate your donation to Lutz K-8!

	10/24 • 11/21 • 12/1	9 • 1/16 • 2/2	20 • 3/27 • 4/17 • 5/15	
Oct 21	Junior Civitan Hurricane Donation Drive Begins	Oct 25	End of the First Nine Weeks	
Oct 2I	Boys Volleyball Tryouts – 2:20pm-3:30pm	Oct 28	Wear Red to kick off the start of Red Ribbon Week!	
Oct 2I	PTSA Spirit Night – Tijuana Flats on Collier – 4pm-9pm	Oct 29	Red Ribbon Week - dress up w/your friends as the cast of your favorite Movie/Show	
Oc† 22	8th Grade High School Night – Cafeteria – 6pm-7:30pm	Oct 29	M.S. Volleyball Practice – Boys & Girls – 2:20pm-3:30pm	
Oc† 22	Fall Picture Re-takes	Oct 30	2 nd Grade Field Trip to Straz	
Oct 23	Girls Volleyball Tryouts – 2:20pm-3:30pm	Oct 30	Red Ribbon Week – Movie Night! Wear School-Appropriate Pajama Pants	
Oct 23	All Pro Dad Meeting – Elementary & Middle Combined – 6:45am - MPR	Oct 3I	Book Character Parade & 3 rd Grade Living Museum	
Oct 24	Middle School KONA ICE Day	Oct 31	M.S. Volleyball Practice – Boys & Girls – 2:20pm-3:30pm	
Oct 25	BUCS Raise the Flags Day – Students and Staff	Nov I	Red Ribbon Week – Wear your den shirt to show your Leopard Pride!	
Oct 25	PTSA Trunk or Treat – 6pm – Parking Lot	Every	Every Friday is College Day – Students and Staff are invited to Wear College Gear	
Oct 25	5 th Grade Field Trip to United Skates			

