



Adams Topics

January 19, 2016

Gerald Adams Elementary
Dolphin Pride

SAC MEETING: Our January SAC (School Advisory Council) meeting will be held January 20 at 5:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. The agenda will be: Discussion of Mid Year Data and interventions to support instruction; and our SAC allocation.

EARLY RELEASE AND PROFESSIONAL DAY: There will be an early release day on January 22nd. Students are dismissed at noon. There is also a professional day January 25th—These are non-school days and daycare will be closed. If you need daycare, please contact Poinciana School's daycare department.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM NEWS: From now on ALL late pick-ups will result in daycare fees (\$45.00), as parents picking up their child late has become costly as we must pay our employees. We are therefore adding these new guidelines. Students must be picked up between 5:20 and 5:30. A late fee will be assessed starting at 5:31. Students who have been excessively absent or picked up early or late (excessively) from the program will be dismissed so others can take full advantage of the program.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS: Student Council will be starting The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's student Series Pennies for Patients. Students will bring home collection boxes and a letter in their Tuesday envelopes this week to collect coins to help find cures for blood cancer patients. Pennies for Patients will start Wednesday, January 13th and run until January 29th.

COACH'S CORNER: Coach is accepting donations of cups and powdered sports drinks such as Gatorade/Powerade for upcoming events like Jump Rope for Heart and Dolphin Days.

January Dates to Remember:

- January 20- SAC Meeting and PAKER Night
- January 22-last day of 2nd 9 week grading period
- January 22- Early Release Day— noon dismissal
- January 25-Professional Day, No School
- January 26-Report Cards go home
- January 28-Fourth Grade Show

COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR: Keys AHEC is proud to announce the scheduling of the 45th Annual UM/ Keys AHEC Health Fair. This event will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2016 in Key West, Big Pine Key and Marathon.

AR WORD COUNT: It looks like many GAE students took advantage of the Winter Break and read like crazy! The Word Count total for the school has risen dramatically. Our current school -wide word count total is: 24,046,564 words! Great work, GAE students! The more you read, the more you know! Congratulations to the Accelerated Reader Word Count Leaders as of 01/07/16 for Gerald Adams Elementary!

<u>Student</u>	<u>Words</u>
Christ Jolis	1,358,727
David Crespo	1,303,858
Zandre Font	713,776
Roan Millelli	604,735
Savanna Delph	582,824

Excitement is building around the 8th Annual Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida! events, and the students at Gerald Adams Elementary are excited to participate in this year's activities scheduled for January 25-29, 2016!

Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida! is an annual event during which students, teachers, administrators, parents and volunteers celebrate the tremendous success of Florida's students over the past decade.

Below are a few exciting events taking place at our school. We hope that you will take this opportunity to support reading in your homes and participate in school-wide and classroom activities.

Monday, January 25th - Professional Day-No School

Tuesday, January 26th - Million Minute Marathon! As a class, students record the total number of minutes that they read for the whole day. There will be a prize for the most minutes!

Tuesday is also "Sock it to Books Day"! Students can wear crazy socks to school in order to raise awareness to Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida!.

Wednesday, January 27th - "Be the Story Day"-Students can dress as their favorite character in a book.

Thursday, January 28th - "Hats Off to Books Day"- Students can wear hats to school in order to raise awareness to Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida!.

Friday, January 29th - "Score With Books Day"- Students can wear their favorite team's gear to show support for Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida!.

Please encourage your student to participate in these fun events throughout the week!