



# The Trailblazer

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*"Making sure everyone's bucket is full."*

## PARK TRAILS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

10700 Trails End  
Parkland, Florida 33076  
754-322-7800  
www.parktrails elementary.com

### Rumor Control Hotline

754-321-0321

### Broward County

### Homework Hotline

754-322-1970

4:00pm – 8:00pm

### Park Trails

### Attendance Line

754-322-7802

### Trailblazer

[karen.lynn.gallo@browardschools.com](mailto:karen.lynn.gallo@browardschools.com)

### After School Programs, Inc.

954-596-9000

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### Dates to Remember:

- Feb. 20 Schools Closed – Presidents' Day
- Feb. 22&23 Spring Pictures
- Feb. 27 SAC/SAF Meeting – 2:30 pm in the Media Center  
Guest Speaker-Mr. Vesey
- Feb. 28 FCAT Writing (4<sup>th</sup>)
- Feb. 28 Family Math Night – 5:30 pm-8:00 pm at Publix in  
Parkland Commons
- Mar. 12-16 Spring Break – Classes resume March 19<sup>th</sup>
- Mar. 26 Kindergarten Round Up – 9 am–10 am in the  
Cafeteria
- Mar. 29 Early Release Day – Dismissal 12:15 pm
- Mar. 30 Employee Planning – No School for Students

Attention 5th Grade Parents – Mr. Jack Vesey, Principal of Westglades Middle School, will be at our February 27th SAC/SAF meeting to discuss middle school philosophy, the articulation process, and all that Westglades has to offer. Anything that you may be wondering about, he will be there to answer. If you are able, please plan to attend on Monday, February 27th at 2:30 p.m. in our Media Center.

### PARK TRAILS INTEGRATED PRE-SCHOOL ESE PROGRAM

Do you have a child who is currently 4 years old?

Park Trails has an opening **for the current school year** for one student in our integrated pre-school program that focuses on Kindergarten preparation.

The program runs Monday through Friday from 8:15 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. The cost is \$640 for a four-week period and there is a non-refundable \$140 registration fee.

The program is taught by a certified teacher and supported by paraprofessionals. Activities include Academic Curriculum, Specials, Field Trips, Fun Friday's, Book Buddies with upper grades, Swim lessons, and lots more!

For more information, please call Mrs. Wexler at 754-322-7800 and ask about the Integrated Pre-school ESE program.

### Visitor Parking

Parking is available for visitors in the front of the school in any space not marked "Staff".



No visitor parking is allowed in the back lot.

Do you wish to have the Trailblazer e-mailed to you weekly? If so, please e-mail [pierre.poulard@browardschools.com](mailto:pierre.poulard@browardschools.com) with your request.

### VOLUNTEERS

All volunteers working at school **must** have a permanent volunteer badge for the school year. If you don't have one yet, please register online at [www.getinvolvedineducation.com](http://www.getinvolvedineducation.com)

### Arrival time:

***Students should not arrive at school before 7:45 am***

Individuals with disabilities requesting accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may call Equal Educational Opportunities (EEO) at (754) 321-2150 or Teletype Machine TTY (754) 321-2158.

### **Park Trails Clinic Needs**

Our clinic is in need of boys and girls shorts, size 6 through size 10. These items can be dropped off at the clinic anytime during the school day. As always, thank you for your continued assistance.

**Coming to Park Trails this summer, the Camp Invention** program is a weeklong adventure in creativity that immerses children entering grades one through six in exciting, hands-on learning disguised as fun activities. Led by local educators, boys and girls are challenged to explore connections between science, technology, engineering, and innovation. Participants spend their time navigating an island via up cycled ships, learning the power of combining magnetism and electricity, while designing, improving, and analyzing their own inventions in a team setting. Early and alumni registration discounts are available! Spaces are limited – register today! For more information, call 800.968.4332 or visit [www.campinvention.org](http://www.campinvention.org).

### **Don't Forget**

Bring 65 cents - Tuesday is Ice Cream Day



### **Math Superstars**

Parents – please help your child count their math superstars coins. If they have earned \$1, please staple them together and label it \$1. This money can be used to purchase items in the school store on Wednesdays and Fridays before school.



### **Spring Picture Day is February 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Pre K, Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> grade & 5<sup>th</sup> grade

Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>  
ESE, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade & 4<sup>th</sup> grade



**PLEASE** have your children check the lost and found area for any items they may have lost – our lost and found is overflowing.

**Field Day was a huge success!**  
**A special thank you to Coach Huntley, Ms. McCarthy, PTA and all the parents who volunteered to assist or encourage. A great time was had by all!**



### **Parkland Kids Camp and Parkland Teen Camp Summer Recreation Program**

Parkland Kids Camp is a summer recreation program for children ages 5 to 11 (kindergarten -grade 6). Children must be five years of age by June 18, 2012 to enroll in the program. The program hours of operation are from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM. Extended hours are available until 5:00pm. Children are grouped according to the grade level they will be entering in the fall of 2012. The children are placed in a camp group of 25 children or less that are supervised by three to four counselors (Senior Counselor, Junior Counselor, and Counselor in Training). The Camper to Counselor Ratio is 5 to 1. The program consists of sports, arts & crafts, games, special on-site activities, and field trips. Field trips are taken aboard air-conditioned motor coach buses. Field trips are taken two to three days per week to facilities located in the tri county area such as movies, bowling, water parks, arcades, skating, museums, etc. Basic field trips are included in the cost of the camp program.

Parkland Teen Camp is a summer recreation program for children ages 12 to 14 (grades 7-9). They must have completed the sixth grade to be eligible for the program. The program hours of operation are from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM. Extended hours are not available. The camper to counselor ratio is 10 to 1 at Teen Camp. Campers are chaperoned by adult senior counselors. The program is a Teen Travel Camp. Field trips are taken aboard air-conditioned motorcoach buses. Field trips are taken five days per week to facilities located in the tricounty area such as movies, bowling, waterparks, arcades, skating, museums, etc. Basic field trips are included in the cost of the camp program.

For further information, please contact GerriAnn Dougherty at 954-757-4129 or email at [gdougherty@cityofparkland.org](mailto:gdougherty@cityofparkland.org)

2012 Summer Recreation Registration begins on March 5 for Residents and March 19 for Non-Residents. See website for further details and fees.

- o Session A: June 18th to July 13th (4 weeks)
- o Session B: July 16th to August 10th (4 weeks)
- o Full Summer: June 18th to August 10th (8 weeks)

Hello Everyone!

We are excited to announce that Park Trails has formed a Relay for Life team in order to help the American Cancer Society. We are looking for people to join our team and show our community that Park Trails is a supporter for this great cause. The event will take place on Friday, April 27th from 6pm - 6am at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. You DO NOT have to stay for the entire night. We are looking for team members to help out with our Tent fundraising activities, decorations and/or walking the track.

It will be a night to remember! Picture this... you're surrounded by your family and friends, urging each other on to make another lap around the track. The air is filled with the sound of laughter and sometimes tears, as our community celebrates those who have fought cancer, remembers the loved ones we've lost, and fights back against a disease that has taken too much from too many.

It would be an honor to have you on our team for this year's Relay For Life. The American Cancer Society is saving lives by helping people stay well, helping people get well, by finding cures, and by fighting back. Are you ready to join the fight?

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to email me or call me. Thanks again for your support!

Jeaneen Muller  
Park Trails Elementary Team Captain

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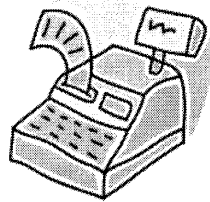
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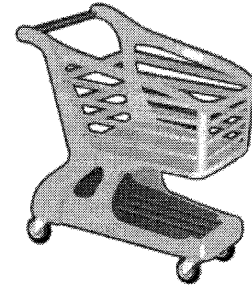
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# *Everyone's Invited*



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## *Park Trails'*

# *Publix Family Math Night*

### WHEN?

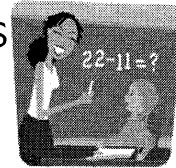
Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Kindergarten, 1st Grade, & 2nd Grade: 5:00-6:00

3rd, 4th, & 5th Grade: 6:00-7:00

### WHERE?

Publix @ Parkland Commons  
University & Trails End  
Parkland, FL



Students are invited to join their teachers at Publix and participate in real world math exercises. Students will be greeted by PTE teachers and staff and provided an activity sheet to complete during their visit to the store. Students can return their completed work to their classroom teacher the following day for a reward. Publix is providing special prizes for the raffle. Mark your calendars & plan to join the fun! Please wear your PTE t-shirt to show your school spirit.

