



The Trailblazer

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Dates to Remember:

- Oct 07: PTA Meeting – 9:00am - Cafeteria
- Oct 07: Bike/Walk to School Day
- Oct 12–16: Book Fair – Media Center
- Oct 14: Bingo Night – 5:30-6:45pm or 7:15-8:30pm
- Oct 19: SAC Meeting – Media Center - 2:30pm
- Oct 20: Picture Retakes – 8:30am to 11:30am
- Oct 22: Early Release – 12:15 Dismissal
- Oct 23: No School for Students–Employee Planning

B-I-N-G-O Let's GO!

Park Trails is having their annual Bingo Night on October 14. Come play Bingo, while enjoying some delicious pizza, refreshing drinks and yummy cookies! There are two session times: Session One 5:30 - 6:45 pm or Session Two 7:15 - 8:30 pm. Advanced ticket purchase is required. There'll be some great prizes to win, so look for the "Bingo Night" flyers to come home soon!

The **Fall Scholastic Book Fair** will begin Monday, October 12 and continue through Friday, October 16. This fair's theme is "Destination Book Fair, Read Around the World!" The fair will be open daily from 8:15 - 2:15 (except for Friday when we will close at noon). The Book Fair will also be open during BINGO Night on Wednesday, October 14 from 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. For more information, please visit the Park Trails Book Fair information site at: <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/parktrails elementary>

TRAFFIC – The south parking lot is limited to staff, busses and permitted students in both morning and afternoon. It is not a drop off area. Additionally, each afternoon, it is open to registered carpools of 5 or more students per car, once buses have left campus. Thank you for your cooperation. We appreciate your understanding. Remember, this is for the safety of all children.

Baskets are needed for our 5th Annual Chic Boutique raffle prizes. Please contact Lisa Leon at shopalot623@aol.com

HAVE YOU MOVED? It is imperative that you inform the Registrar of any change of address, phone numbers, etc. – call 754-322-7800.

The City of Parkland Parks and Recreation Department Present:

Parent Night Out FRI Oct. 16

Enjoy a night out on the town while your kids enjoy a fun-filled evening full of games, arts & crafts, movie, and much more. A great time to catch a movie, dine out, or spend an evening shopping while your children are being supervised. This program is for children ages 4-12. Advance registration is required. Children will be supervised by the City of Parkland Summer Recreation Staff and the Teen Advisory Group Members. Program hours are 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM. The cost of this program is \$10.00 per participant or \$25.00 per family. Maximum number of participants for the evening is 25 children. This program will be held in the Parkland Library Meeting room.

Early Release Day Program THURS Oct. 22

Early Release Day Programs are afternoon programs scheduled on Early Release days, when students are out of school. The ages of children that may participate in the program are from 5 through 11 years of age (kindergarten thru 5 grades). The programs are offered from 12:30 PM to 4:30 PM. The fee for the day program is \$10.00 per child and \$25.00 per family (more than 2 children). This fee includes activities, supervision and snack. The drop off and pick up location is at the Parkland Library, 6620 University Drive. Advance registration is required.

Teacher Workday Program FRI Oct. 23

Teacher Workday Programs are one-day programs schedule on teacher workdays, when the students are out of school. The ages of children that may participate in the program are from 5 through 11 years of age (kindergarten thru 5th grade). The programs are offered from 8:00AM to 4:30PM. There are several teacher workdays planned throughout the school calendar. The days vary each school year. Typically there are six teacher workdays schedule in the school year. This year the teacher workday program will remain on site where the children will participate in a kids fun day that consists of crafts, games, movie, music, and much more. The fee for the day program is \$40.00 for residents and \$45.00 for non-residents. This fee includes activities, supervision and snack. Children must provide their own lunches. The drop off and pick up location varies with each program. Advance registration is required.

Teen Halloween Party: Friday October 30, 2009 from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM at the YMCA Family Fitness Center Gymnasium

The Parks and Recreation Department in conjunction with the YMCA will be having a Teen Halloween Dance. Teen's ages 11-16 are invited to participate in this spooky event. The evening with consist of music, games, tattoos, fortunetelling, candy and more. Come dressed in costume for this event. Bring all of your friends. The event tickets will cost \$7.00 in advance and \$10 at the door. Tickets will be sold at the Parkland Amphitheater, the YMCA and the Westglades Middle School Cafeteria. Tickets will be sold during student lunch hours on Mon., Oct. 19 & Tues., Oct. 20, Mon., Oct.26 & Tues., Oct. 27 & Thurs., Oct. 29. The event will be supervised by the City staff.

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No Croc's, please! Although the School Board of Broward County policy does not prohibit students from wearing croc's, we strongly suggest that croc's not be worn here at Park Trials for safety reasons. Students have tripped; slipped and fallen wearing their croc's using the stairs, out at recess or just navigating the hallways.

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Arrival time: Students should not arrive at school until 7:45 am. As indicated on page 11 in the Code of Student Conduct, "schools are not required to provide supervision more than 30 minutes prior to the official starting time, nor are they required to provide supervision for more than 30 minutes after the official school closing time. Florida Statute 1003.31(2)

Lost and Found

We already have a tremendous amount of clothing and lunch boxes without owners in our lost and found. Sweaters and jackets are hung up on a wall rack in the hallway just outside of the cafeteria. Lunch boxes are on a shelf above that rack of unclaimed clothing. Please ask your children to check the Lost and Found for any missing items.

Attention all ESOL parents, students and community members

There will be an ESOL Leadership Council meeting on Wednesday, October 7, from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at the KC Wright Building, 600 SE 3 Ave, Fort Lauderdale, 754-321-2951. Please come and learn about the ESOL Program, services and district news. Become an active participant in your child's education

Do you wish to have the Trailblazer e-mailed to you weekly? If so, please e-mail Pierre.poulaire@browardschools.com with your request.

POSTCARD CONTEST: The Book Fair Committee is collecting postcards from around the world for use in decorating. Have your friends or relatives send you a postcard and turn it into the Media Center before or during the Fair. (Mark it with your name and teacher's name.) ***You'll be entered into a drawing for a free poster from the Book Fair!***

Cafeteria News

The cafeteria will start serving a variety of ala cart items at breakfast and lunch.

Large muffins - banana nut, blueberry or chocolate chunk - \$1.00

Snack chips - pretzel, baked Lays potato chips, baked Cheetos or Sun Chips - \$. 60

Capri Sun juice pouches - \$.75

Your child may buy something for an after school snack.

** At lunch time a student must show that they have either brought a lunch from home or purchased a lunch from the cafeteria before they can buy any ala cart item.*

In addition: Ice cream will be sold on Tuesdays and Thursdays for \$. 65.

Juice Bars will be sold on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays for \$.50.

Starting Tuesday, September 29, the cafeteria will be having a "Lucky Customer" contest. If the register makes a "lucky" beep after scanning your child's lunch card, that student will be a winner and receive a special prize.

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Continuing Education

All of our professional teachers are continuously upgrading their teaching skills and developing increased levels of content expertise. We are recognizing the following teachers who are expanding their expertise beyond their current certification by pursuing college course work and/or training sessions to become additionally certified in the following: Ms. Goldstein and Ms Kimball are pursuing their certification in gifted education.

Emergency Preparation

Each year all of the Broward County Public Schools are required to prepare and submit a School Safety Plan. Part of the School Safety Plan is a section dealing with crisis and disaster preparedness. Each school is also required to perform a number of fire and lockdown drills through out the year. Each year all the schools and the district office participate in a district wide drill to test our communication and overall preparedness and training.



The City of Parkland and Park Trails is participating in International Walk to School Day on Wednesday, October 7th.

- Join up with friends and neighbors. Create a neighborhood team to **walk or ride a bike** to school.
 - Bus riders can participate by walking to their bus stop.
- “Go Green!” Students are encouraged to wear green to recognize the environmental benefits of walking to school.
- This event was created to promote health, safety, physical activity a sense of community and concern for the environment.



Please Join Us for the
5th Annual
Park Trails Elementary School
Chic Boutique Night

Friday, November 6, 2009

7pm-10pm

*Handbags, Jewelry, Apparel, Home Décor, Crafts,
Accessories and More!!!*

FREE ADMISSION

