

Note from the Principal

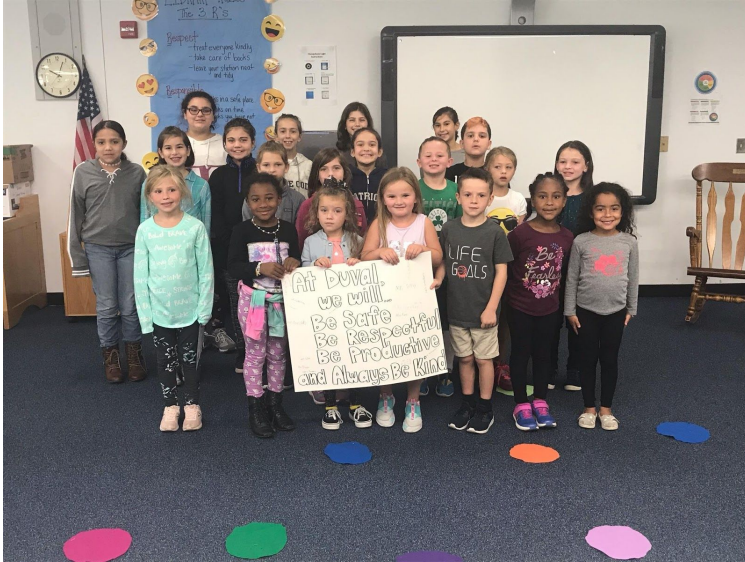
Today we had an All School Meeting and unveiled Duval's new motto:

At Duval, We Will...

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be Productive

...and Always Be Kind

As we've been communicating, we are looking to instill core values that will stand the test of time. We decided on four keywords that no matter where we (kids and adults) were, the words would be applicable. The Duval motto is purposefully simple so that every student would be able to recite it and understand its meaning. Last week each class voted whether to accept the proposed motto or reject it by comparing it to the classroom expectations. On Wednesday of last week, one representative from each class (pictured below) brought the approved/rejected class ballot to a Motto Meeting hosted by Mrs. Teebagy, AP, and Mrs. Sewall, Adjustment Counselor. The results were unanimous and the new motto was accepted!



Summer Reading Bookmarks - We had an 80% return rate for Summer Reading Bookmarks and we are highly impressed! Thanks for your support in this school-wide initiative!

Grade 4 and 5 Chorus notices were sent home this week. The first 4th grade rehearsal will be on October 8, 2019 and the first 5th grade rehearsal will be on October 10, 2019. Both grades start at 8:10AM and students should enter the school at Door 15 through the recess gate.

Duval Elementary has a staff led Technology Committee who hosted a Meat Raffle, Ice Cream Social, and Spaghetti Supper last year. This committee raised enough funds to buy 27 Chromebooks and we distributed them this week in K-2 classrooms. We currently have full class sets in Grades 3-5 and we have approximately 10-14 in each K-2 classroom! We also have a full class set on a cart in the Library.

Have a nice weekend,
Dr. Foley

Here's what is coming up!

October

Oct. 1 - Bus Evacuation Practice
Oct. 8 - Duval PTO Meeting, 6-7PM Library
Oct. 8 - SEPAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Council) WHRHS Library 6-8PM
Oct. 8 - Duval School Council, 5 - 5:45 PM Conference Room
Oct. 8 - Grade 4 Chorus begin
Oct. 10 - Grade 5 Chorus begins
Oct. 14 - No School
Oct. 17 - [PTO Papa Gino's Night 4:00 - 9:00 PM](#)
Oct. 18 - Early Release, No Half-Day K
Oct. 24 - Fall Picture Day
Oct. 25 - Monster Mash
Oct. 30 - Family Pasta Night at VFW

November

Nov. 1 - Early Release, No Half-Day K
Nov. 5 - Evening Parent/Teacher Conferences by Appointment
Nov. 7 - Early Release, No Half-Day K, Parent/Teacher Conferences Afternoon & Evening
Nov. 11 - No School, Veteran's Day
Nov. 12 - Duval PTO Meeting, 6-7PM Library
Nov. 12 - SEPAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Council) WHRHS Library 6-8PM
Nov. 15 - PTO Annual Basket Auction @ Whitman VFW 7 -10 PM
Nov. 21 - [PTO Papa Gino's Night 4:00 - 9:00 PM](#)

December

Dec. 2-7 Scholastic Book Fair
Dec. 16-20 Holiday Shop
Dec. 19 - [PTO Papa Gino's Night 4:00 - 9:00 PM](#)

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