Dear Parents,

Wonderful things are happening at Plew! Our Academic Team placed first in the state of Florida and 4th place overall in the Southeast Thinking Cap Quiz Bowl. We appreciate Mr. Scrivner and his team of students for their hard work.

Please refer to the School Board Policy as it pertains to cell phones and watches with communication ability.

04-40 Wireless Communications Devices (A) In accordance with the provisions of Florida law, a student may be in possession of wireless communications devices while he or she is on school property or in attendance at a school function. For the purposes of this policy, wireless communications devices include cellular telephones, electronic tablets, e-readers or other similar wireless communications devices. (B) Any student possessing a wireless communications device while he or she is on school property or in attendance at a school function must insure that the device must not be visible and must be turned off during school hours, except as expressly authorized by this policy. For more information, please refer to the School Board Policy 04-40.

Spring Break is coming soon. Please help us by having your child read over the vacation. Working together is a win-win for us all.

~Carolyn McAllister, Principal

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Parents & Guardians Please Note:
Rosemont Baptist Church has asked us not to park on the grass area in front of and beside the cemetery. They are having landscaping work done on the property. Thanks very much for your cooperation!

~Mary Peterson, Assistant Principal

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END OF GRADING PERIOD; Thurs., March 15th

STUDENT HOLIDAY/TEACHER WORK DAY, Fri., March 16th—NO SCHOOL

KG Field Trip to Emerald Coast Science Ctr., Wed., March 28th @9am

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Friendly Reminder: Parents are allowed to eat with their children outside the cafeteria at the café tables on
Mondays and Fridays
ONLY. Thank you!
Friendly Reminders:

ALL Car Rider students need to be picked up by 3:00pm on Car Rider ramp

ALL visitors MUST SIGN IN through the office using their driver’s license.

Regularly check your child’s head for lice and/or nits.

www.okaloosaschools.com/plew/

Check out our district policy on head lice: http://www.boarddocs.com/fl/okaloosa/Board.nsf/public?open&id=pocoes#

Find it in Section Chapter 4—Students Under Number 04-42

CHESS CLUB

(3rd—5th Grades)

We are not accepting any new players at this time. If you are an adult chess player with a passion for teaching others the game and possess patience, we would love to have you join us! This might be just the place for a Grandpa to plug into our school and students.

March Meeting Dates: 13th & 27th

Chess Club begins promptly at 7:30 am.

Shawna.crist@okaloosaschools.com

MEDIA CENTER

Please remind your student to respect items that are on display in the Media Center. Those items may not be the property of our school, but are there to enhance your child’s learning. We have had some items damaged due to lack of care.

Also, we have a large number of overdue books. All books are due within one week of check out.

~Mrs. Crist
Keeper of the Books

MUSIC

4th Grade Chorus has started!

Rehearsals in March will be the 6th and 13th at 7:30 am in the Music Room. Open to ALL 4th Graders

5th Grade Rehearsals are

Every Thursday at 7am in the Music Room

TWIN CITIES HONOR CHOIR
MARCH 27TH @7PM ROCKY BAYOU BAPTIST CHURCH

NEW BUS INFORMATION:

Parents of BUS RIDERS:

Bus safety is important!

ALL students must remain in their seats with a seat belt on while the bus is moving. Bus drivers will send a bus referral to the office when a student does not comply with a directive to sit down.

- First referral: A warning and a documented call to the parent letting the parent know that further incidences will result in a bus suspension.

- Second and subsequent referrals: Each referral after the first warning will be a one day bus suspension for each referral.

PE NEWS

PLEW FIELD DAY—March 13th & 14th

*Please note slightly altered times below:

March 13th KG/1st/2nd
9:00-10:00 a.m.
12:15-2:15 p.m.

(Between 10:00-12:15 the students will be engaged in instructional time with their teacher and eating lunch in the cafeteria during their normal scheduled lunch time)

March 14th 3rd/4th/5th
9:00-11:00 a.m.
1:00-2:00 p.m.

(Between 11:00-1:00 the students will be engaged in instructional time with their teacher and eating lunch in the cafeteria during their normal scheduled lunch time)

The PE department is still accepting donations for the concession stand this year. The following items are greatly appreciated:

- Popsicles (Flavor-Ice)
- Water
- Pickles

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Plew raised over $3,500 for Children in Crisis through our Silly String the Principal. Way to be generous Panthers! Mrs. Stuart’s class won the top prize of Silly Stringing Mrs. McAllister!

Email Heather.mcclaren@okaloschools.com for information on proctoring or attend:

Plew Proctor Training…
Feb. 27th (Tues.) at 4:00 – 4:10 PM Plew Office
OR
March 1st (Thursday) at 7:50-8:00 AM Plew Cafeteria

~Heather McClaren

Plew Elementary School (Updated 2/26/18)
FSA and State Testing Schedule 2018

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Plew Gardens

Spring is in the air and it’s time to get back in the Gardens! We ask that all gardens be weeded and cleaned within the next couple of weeks. Pine Straw will be ordered soon and will need to be spread also. I will keep you posted on dates of arrival. Sadly, I will be PCSing in May so my position will be needing a new Chair. If you are interested, please let me know as I would love to talk with you about it!

Melissa Rohde
PLA Beautification Chair, Plew Gardens
“Plant Dreams, Pull Weeds & Grow A Happy Life!”
**FOR PLEW**

Fun spring break activities to do with your children to enhance their speech and language skills: [http://www.home-speech-home.com/spring-themed-speech-therapy-activities.html](http://www.home-speech-home.com/spring-themed-speech-therapy-activities.html) and [https://www.speechandlanguagekids.com/slk6-spring-activities/](https://www.speechandlanguagekids.com/slk6-spring-activities/)

~Anita DeVuyst, M.S., CCC/SLP

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Team Plew will be selling purple Relay Feet to benefit Relay for Life March 5th-15th. Please be sure to send back your purple feet sheet with cash or check made payable to: Plew Elementary. Thank you for your support as we help ‘Finish This Fight!’ –Team Captain Kim Wendt

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![Eglin AFB CGOC Troop Care Drive](image)

**Eglin AFB CGOC Troop Care Drive**

**We ask that you please drop items in the designated box in Plew cafeteria. Thank you!**

The CGOC Troop Care Drive is a committee dedicated to sending packages with a personal touch to Eglin AFB’s deployed personnel.

**Items Needed:**
- Blister care, foot powder
- Lip balm, sunscreen
- Baby wipes (small packs)
- Hand sanitizer (small bottles)
- Washcloths
- Coffee & Creamers
- Non-melting candy & gum**
- Chips, cookies, granola bars**
- Protein Bars, Beef Jerky, Slim Jims
- Nuts, pretzels, microwave popcorn**
- Non-perishable food**
- Microwaveable soups and meals
- Drink mixes, 5-hour energy
- CDs, DVDs, puzzle books
- Playing cards, card games
- Games, books
- Personal letters!! The more the better!!

*(please no last names)*

**Please check expiration dates on all food items**

_Eglin CGOC is a non-profit organization which is neither part of Eglin AFB nor an official part of the Department of the Air Force_

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**EVENING OF THE ARTS**

Mark Your Calendars! This year’s Evening of the Arts will be on Monday, May 14th at 5-7:30pm.

Want to volunteer? Email: mari4plante@gmail.com or attend our next meeting on Mon. March 12th at 3pm in the cafeteria.

Also, don't forget to enter the art contest! All entries are due by March 15th. Flyers with more details were sent home with your child.

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**SUPPORTING PLEW**

BOX TOPS are an easy way to raise funds for Plew. Each Box Top is worth 10 cents. Send them in with your student anytime!

We raised over $3000.00 last year and the money goes to the PLA to purchase items for your students.

Thank you!

~Peggy Barnes

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**VOLUNTEER NEWS**

ALL Volunteers must complete the Volunteer Application online at [okaloosaschools.com](http://okaloosaschools.com) one week prior to volunteering (this includes class parties, chaperoning, field trips, PLA, etc).

**Please note: Younger siblings are not permitted at classroom parties or activities.**