Si necesita informaccion en Espanol, favor de llamar a Iris Talento a 574-5257, entre las horas de 9:10 AM y 4:10 PM.



Diplomat Lock-In Friday, November 6 4:00-8:00pm Admission: \$10 per student Bring: additional money for pizza, snacks, and drinks

Criteria to attend:

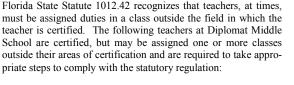
QTR 1 report card has grades of only A, B, C No Referrals during QTR 1 No Referrals during QTR 2 through November 6 Must have a ride home at 8:00pm on November 6 Must return the signed permission slip

The Lock-in includes: (but is not limited to) 4:00 - 6:00

Movie rooms (parent signature required, only G, PG, or PG13) Outdoor games (corn hole, yard golf, 4-square, etc.) Reading room (bring your own book, read one of ours) Game room (Mario games, etc.) Board & card games (Jenga, chess, checkers, etc.)

6:00-8:00

Dance in the cafeteria Parent Pick-up at 8:00 at the front of the school



Heather Bernau	Gifted
Charles Call	Gifted
Kelly Denney	ESOL
Oliver Dominguez	ESOL
Jessica Favazzo	ESOL, Language Arts
Alicia Ford	ESOL
Brian Judd	Gifted
Candace Pegram	ESOL
Natasha Pratt	ESOL
Tim Schnabel	Gifted
Ben Uphoff	ESOL, Language Arts
Jessica Winiarz	ESOL

"Work hard. Be kind."

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October 1, 2015

Your **Calendar:**

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October 1: 6th Grade Orientation Meeting in Room 5-120 October 1: NJHS Officers' Meeting-8:30 am October 1 & 2: Scholastic Book Fair-Media Center October 5: PBS Cats' Pride Fundraiser Kickoff October 5: Community Service Club-Media Center from 4:00 pm to 5:15 pm October 5: Student Government—8:40 am in Room 6-100 October 6: OM Meeting-4:00 pm to 5:15 pm October 6-7: Broadway Café Chorus/Orchestra Fundraiser October 7: Basketball Game—DMS Home vs. NFMAA 5:15 pm—Girls Play First October 7: Cross Country Meet-DMS Home vs. NFMAA, 5:00 pm October 8: NJHS General Meeting-8:30 am October 8: 6th Grade Back to School Night-Media Center 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm October 12: Community Svc Club-Media Ctr from 4:00 to 5:15 October 12: Regional Cross Country Meet at Trafalgar MS, 5:30 October 13: Fall Chorus Concert—NFMH at 7:00 pm October 13: Math Team Meeting-Room 6-114 October 13: OM Meeting-4:00 pm to 5:15 pm October 14: Basketball-Caloosa vs DMS at CMS, 5:15, Girls First **October 15: 6th Grade Health Screenings** October 15: NJHS Officers' Meeting-8:30 am October 15: Fall Orchestra Concert-NFMH at 7:00 pm October 19: Fall Band Recital for Concert, Symphonic, Jazz Island Coast High-7:00 pm October 19: Student Government-8:40 am in Room 6-100 October 20: OM Meeting-4:00 pm to 5:15 pm October 20: FVA All-County Audition #2 (Chorus/Orchestra) Cypress Lake Center for the Arts (Select Students) **October 20: All-County Concert Band Auditions** P.L. Dunbar Middle 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm October 20: Round 2 BB Playoffs-DMS vs. TBA, 5:15, Boys First October 21: Cross Country Finals @ Estero Community Park, 5:30 October 21: Spirit Cats-Room 6-119 October 22: NJHS General Meeting-8:30 am October 22-Nov. 6: Chorus/Strings Baked Goods Fundraiser October 27: OM Meeting-4:00 pm to 5:15 pm **October 28: All-County Chorus Rehearsal at SFMHS** October 28: Volleyball Tryouts Begin-4:00 pm to 5:15 pm October 28: All County Chorus Rehearsal-Island Coast High October 29: NJHS Officers' Meeting-8:30 am October 29: SAC/PTSO Meeting in Media Center-6:00 pm



Hello Wildcats.

The first quarter of school will be over in seventeen school days. We have done so much in these first six weeks of school. Our sports program has already started, our monster themed book fair has begun in the media center, and our students have had a blast using the Chromebooks in class. They are learning, teaching their peers, and teaching the teachers how to use them. I love that our students take to technology so well and so quickly. This generation of students is truly talented in the technology field.

This time last year I told you about a few of our teachers who were writing a grant to create a park atmosphere just outside our cafeteria with picnic tables, flowers, and a vegetable and fruit garden. Well, we are halfway there. We now have picnic tables, flowers, and a couple of lionhead statutes in the newly created park. We are planning to add a raisedbed garden and more flowers as well. If you, or a local company you know, would like to volunteer your time or donate funds or items for our school wide project, please contact the office at 574-5257, and we will put you in touch with the right teacher.

As you know by now we are a Leader in Me school. Your student has probably come home and told you about the leadership skills they are learning during the leadership period. Not only are they receiving your guidance, as you are the most influential person in your student's life, but they are receiving leadership skills from us as well. I am excited about our students' futures.

The Diplomat Lock-in is a new event we will host twice this year. This is a four-hour event, 4:00-8:00 pm, on Friday, November 6th. See the back of this newsletter for details.

We have had a wonderful start to the school year. I believe this will prove to be an exciting time for all of us. Have a fantastic 2015 -2016.

Proud to be in the Pride,

Home of the WildCats.

REMINDER TO PARENTS: If your morning or afternoon schedules are tight, you may use our before and after school care for a small fee each school day. Students may come onto campus at or after 9:05 am, without the need of our fee based care. Students who arrive BEFORE 9:05 am. become a part of our before school care at a cost to parents of \$5 per school day.

Students must be picked up immediately after dismissal to avoid the need of our fee-based after school care. Those students who are still on campus, waiting to be picked up after dismissal is complete at 4:10pm, will become part of the fee based program, at the parent's expense, at a cost of \$5 per school day. The registration fee for before & after school is \$35.00.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Happy October! We hope that your child is settling in and is off to a great start this year. DMS is proud to have two counselors to serve our students. Garv Carden is the school counselor for the boys and Caroline Toadvine is the school counselor for the girls. If you or your child ever has any questions or concerns, know that we are here to help!

We are excited about October! As you know, October is National Bullying Prevention Month. This is a great time to reflect upon the importance of working hard and being kind. We will be working with the Leadership Teachers to incorporate lessons that teach the students how to show respect to ourselves, our peers, and to adults. Also, starting on October 5th, we will be

offering an after school community service club that will meet twice a month – have your students by the stop counseling office for more information.

Sixth grade parents – just a

couple of things... We would love to see you from 6:00 to 7:30 on October 8th. The counselors will be offering a middle school orientation night to the parents of sixth graders. We will cover many topics including: the progression plan, tips for success, parentlink, focus, etc... Also – don't forget to check out the Take Stock in Children Flyer. This a wonderful scholarship and mentoring program for low income, at-risk students. Please call the counseling office for more information and check out the Foundation's website: www.leeschoolfoundation.org.

A Note to Quote



For a limited time only! Yearbook Pre-Sales will be \$32.00. Attn: Mrs. Ermacora in Room 5-104 Make checks payable to Diplomat Middle School.

Fall Concert for Symphonic Band, Concert Band, and both Jazz Bands, 10/19, Island Coast High School 7PM





SGA (Student government) Food Drive 9/30—11/19



School store is open each day from 9:15-9:30.

Beef 'O' Brady (Kismet)

Danny Yates Landscaping

Landscape Pros of SWFL

Rodino's Pizzeria

Subway (Kismet)

October)

Thank

Youll

Duffy's Sports Grill (opening in

Forestry Landscaping Resources

Stuff a Bagel (Pine Island & Skyline)

Lowe's (Veterans & Santa Barbara)

Road)

Island Road)

Sonny's BBQ (Pine Island

Chili's Bar and Grill (Pine

All County Concert Band auditions, 10/20

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Chromebook 1:1

Diplomat Middle School has over 800 students using Chromebooks this school year. The roll out went well. It is great to see students engaged in technology throughout our classes.

Please remind your student to:

- Bring their Chromebook fully charged each school day.
- Carry their Chromebook in the case provided; preferably in their backpack.
- If something does not seem to be working, please have your student re-start the device using the Shut Down menu (not the Sleep Button).

