UP Coming Events:

February 12th
• School Science Fair

February 15th
• Saturday School (3-6th grade)

February 18th
• Interims Posted on FOCUS

February 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
• Early Release

February 27th
• School Book-Fair begins

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Panda NEWS
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University Park BELIEVES IN THE “POWER OF YET”

Dear University Park Elementary Parents and Community,
We are pleased to announce the launch of the BPS Parent Survey. We are asking for your support and full participation in soliciting valuable input from our families.

The survey will be available to all BPS parents beginning March 2nd -March 13th. Parents can access the survey from any computer or smartphone by going to https://tinyurl.com/BrevardFE. Please be on the look out for parent survey which will also be send home. The classes with the maximum surveys returned will earn a treat.

Thank you for your support as we work together to ensure that our students are safe at school, during arrival and dismissal time. Please remember that Monday, February 17, 2020 is a hurricane make-up day. School will be in session. We hope to see all students on Monday. Have a great weekend!

University Park School Improvement Plan is published on CIMS website. https://www.floridacims.org/districts/brevard/schools/2051. It is also available on the school website. A copy of the plan is also available at the front-office. If you need any copies or you need the a translated copy or have any questions, please feel to call Mrs. Shah at 321-723-2566 Ext 52666 or stop by at the school front-office

 Guidance News

Parents are invited to our Parent Empowerment Series. Our school Guidance Counselor and Social worker will provide strategies and ideas on how you can support your child at home.

For Parents convenience, we will hold 2 sessions each month

**February Parent Empowerment Series**
Topic: The Hidden Dangers of Social Media
Hosted by Tracy Wells, School Counselor and Julie Grace, School Social Worker

When:
Tuesday, Feb 18, 2020 at 5-6pm
Friday, Feb 21, 2020 at 8-9am

**POWER Trait for Month of February is**
“Being Prepared”

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LITERACY WEEK . . . . . .
To go along with our Literacy Week Celebration, students were given a challenge. Each child was given a paper snowman and asked to make a character from his or her favorite book. We had a wonderful turnout for our Snowman Characters. The kids did an amazing job. The judges had a hard time picking the winners. One snowman character was chosen per grade level.

The winners are
- Kelvin Harding - Clifford the Big Red Dog
- Haven Wynn - Horton Hears Achoo
- Hannah Tarzia - Pete the Cat
- Milan Hadley - Spider Charlotte
- Abby Lang - Monsters Inc
- Seth Brillhart - Captain Underpants
- Nilsa PennyFeather - Tiana Frog Princess

Congratulations to all our winners. See all fabulous snowmen on display in our Media Center

Congratulations to our school SPELLING BEE Winner Jazmin Harris and Runner-Up Ronnan Finney, Jazmin will represent our school in the district spelling bee

Literacy Limelight
Even if your child is motivated to read, supporting them with a variety of ways and options will keep their momentum going. Here are four tips to open up the wonderful world of reading for your child. Next month we will provide four more tips!

1. What’s “Just Right”? Children feel confident and competent when they read books that are “just right.” However, how do you find a “just right” book? Have your child read the back and front cover, and first page of the book. If there are more than five words that he cannot pronounce or understand in context, the book may be too challenging.

2. Map it Out! It is important to provide your child with a variety of fiction and non-fiction reading. A fun way to do this is to get a map and show them the way from your house to the grocery store or another familiar destination. Have your child write out the directions, street by street, and then read them to you as you walk or drive to the store – like a living GPS!

3. Card Tricks! Do you think effective reading only takes place at libraries and bookstores? Think again! There are reading opportunities everywhere. Go to a greeting card store with your child and read the greeting cards together. Later, vote for the ones whose words convey the best birthday wish or get-well sentiment.

Attention parents!!!
It’s not too late to view and order your child’s school portrait through DSP! Please visit www.dsp-photo.com and enter your child’s student ID number for direct access.

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