

Parkside Elementary... where scholars and strong citizenship thrive

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Safety Tips for Parents and Students:

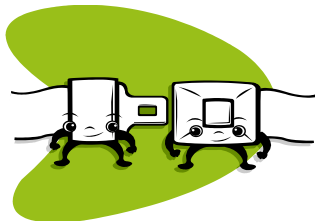
SAFETY HELMETS:

When riding a bike or scooter, please make sure your child is wearing a properly fitted and approved safety helmet. We are as concerned for your child's safety as you are. Remind them that safety helmets are required every time they ride, not just to and from school.



SEAT BELTS:

We see many parents and children without their safety belts. It only takes a minute to buckle up and it's the law.



STRANGER DANGER:

Our concern for your children extends to the neighborhood. We read in the newspaper all too often about a child being abducted from their home. Please follow the six rules for Stranger Danger:

1. **NEVER** take rides from strangers
2. **NEVER** take gifts from strangers
3. **ALWAYS** go straight home after school
4. **ALWAYS** let your parents know where you are
5. **ALWAYS** call for help if there's trouble
6. **NEVER** open the door to a stranger.

Please review these rules with your children often. The only time we want to read your child's name in the paper is for an award they have received, not because of a stranger incident.



Date	Activity
October 7th	Individual Student Pictures
October 11 th	SAC 8:30 Early Release 11:50
October 17 th	Third Grade Philharmonic Field Trip
October 18 th	Game Night
October 19 th	Walk to School Wednesday
October 24- October 27	Fourth Grade Rookery Bay Field trips
October 24 th	Teacher Work Day No School
October 26 th	Second Grade Philharmonic Field Trip
October 27 th	DARE Graduation 9:15-10:15 McDonald's Night

Let's Stay Connected



There are many ways that you can support your child in reading. You can listen to your child read aloud, engage your child in conversations related to the content, and ask questions that encourage thinking about the book and how it relates to their lives.

Try the following questions:

- If you were the author, how would you change the ending of the book?
- What did you learn that you didn't already know?
- Can you summarize what you read?
- Why do you think the author wrote this book?
- What do you think the next section is going to be about?

Be Consistent
Be Persistent
Just be there!