November 8-December 6 Manna Food Drive
December 1-20 NO LUNCH GUESTS
December 1, 8, 15 PTA Spirit Sales
December 4-8 PTA Penguin Patch Shoppe
December 5 Sonny’s Spirit Night
December 5 Math FAST Testing Grades 3-5
December 6 FAST ELA Testing Grades 3-5
December 7 Santa Pictures
December 7 3rd Grade Children’s Chorus Field Trip
December 7-January 18 K-2 Star Testing
December 8 Kona Ice Day
December 11, 12, 13, 2nd Grade Roy Hyatt Field Trip
December 12-20 Holiday Cheer Days
December 14 5th Grade Jingle Bell Jukebox Show
December 15 Kindergarten Grinch Day
December 19 Kindergarten Gingerbread House Day
December 20 Early Release Day 12:20
December 20 Gingerbread Run
December 20 End of 2nd Nine Weeks
December 21-January 3 Winter Break

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

January 4-5 Teacher Planning Days
January 8 Students Return to School
January 11 Report Cards Posted in FOCUS
January 15 Martin Luther King Day Holiday

Manna Food Drive Ends
December 6th

Please join Escambia County School District in collecting nonperishable food items for the Manna Food Bank.
Families need our help, now more than ever before!

NO LUNCH GUESTS
December 1st - 20th

Due to State Assessments and numerous holiday activities, there will be no lunch visitors December 1st -20th.

Please pass the word to other family members!
STAR & FAST ASSESSMENT TESTING SCHEDULE

Testing information was sent home by letter to parents for further testing information! Please save the dates!

Tuesday, December 5 FAST Math Grades 3-5
Wednesday, December 6 FAST ELA Grades 3-5
Thursday, December 7th – January 18th
STAR Testing Grades K-2

December 5th - 8th

Penguin Patch Holiday Shop is coming to our school. Parent volunteers will assist children while shopping to allow them to purchase surprise gifts for loved ones. We offer over 100 gifts that can be purchased for as little as $.25 and up to $12.00 each. The gift shop is a fun, unique way to empower your children with generosity!

Please ensure that the Gift List Budget Envelope is completed and returned (with cash or check) to school so that your student can shop during lunchtime.

All checks should be made payable to Pine Meadow PTA and include phone number, address, and student’s name. Cash is the preferred method of payment.

December 7

Mark your calendars...

School Santa & Holiday Portraits

Make -Up Pictures, Holiday Pictures, & Santa Pictures

PARENTS: BE SURE TO CHECK THE WITH OR WITHOUT SANTA BOX!

Siblings can have Santa/Holiday Pictures together!
All 3rd Grade Classes are attending the ECPS Fine Arts field trip to watch the Pensacola Children’s Chorus performance of Christmas on the Coast.

The Roy Hyatt Environmental Center is located on 120 acres of upland pine forest and bog in Cantonment Florida. Second and fifth grade students come to RHEC to participate in hands-on experiential science-based field trips.

**2nd Grade Field Trip Schedule**
- December 11th – Crosby, Duncan, & Harris
- December 12th – Greene & Melville
- December 13th – Cleveland & Gunter

**Jingle Bell Jukebox**
Presented by 5th Grade
December 14
5:30-6:30pm

Join in the Christmas spirit where singing and dancing around the jukebox is contagious!

**When:** December 8
**What:** Kona Ice
**Cost:** $4.00
All students will be able to purchase this cool treat after lunch at the gates behind the gym. Information coming home soon!
Tuesday, December 15th

Kindergarten Classes will participate in a variety of activities based on the story “How the Grinch Stole Christmas” by Dr. Seuss.

All students at Pine Meadow are asked to wear their Grinchiest Grinch Wear, wear green or dress like a Who!

Kindergarten Gingerbread Houses

Friday, December 19th

Kindergarteners will be making gingerbread houses with their parents/guardians. All parents are invited to attend. No siblings please. Times will vary. Teachers will send home communication for this event.

Parents will need to scan the QR code on the information letter sent home for this event!
December 20th
Run along to your favorite Christmas Music dressed in your holiday head wear, scarves, & socks! It’s going to be all in fun!
Let’s Get Moving!

December 20th
Early Dismissal
12:20

December 20th
End of 2nd Nine Weeks

January 11
Report Cards posted in FOCUS

December 21 - January 7
Students return to school January 8

Teacher Workdays

January 4-5

When you choose joy
You feel good
& when you feel good, you do good
& when you do good it reminds others
of what joy feels like & it just might inspire
them to do the same.
Kindness is showing concern about the well-being and feelings of others.

What does Kindness look like?
~Refuse to tease of ridicule others.
~Show concern when someone is sad.
~Do things that meet the needs of others.
~Take care of the environment.
~Treat everyone fairly.
~Do things that make others happy just because you want them to be happy.

What does kindness sound like?
~People are king may say things like:
~How can I help?
~Do you want to join us?
~You can go first.
~I’m sorry that I hurt your feelings.
~Are you okay?

Kindness is all about doing things that will make others happier. Three important parts of kindness are:
1. RESPECT- treating people, places, and things with kindness.
2. CARING- Feeling and showing concern for others.
3. HELPFULNESS- Assisting or serving others in a kind way.

Try to use one of these three, or even better all three, as you go through your day!