



Ridge Review
Silver Ridge Elementary
"Be Fit, Be Smart, Be Green"

Marion Gundling
Principal

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to develop:

- P roductive thinkers
- R espectful citizens
- I ntelligent minds
- D edicated individuals and
- E xcellence in education

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents,

On behalf of the Silver Ridge family I would like to wish you and yours a wonderful holiday. Thank you for the support you give us. The office has been filled with goodies, and we have enjoyed every crumb!

I am proud to tell you that our Student Council officers went shopping yesterday with money from the dollar drive. They were a wonderful representation of our student body.

They shopped with care, pride, and joy to help another in the spirit of giving.

Enjoy your time with family and friends. If you are traveling, have a safe trip. Get lots of rest, and next year when you return, be ready to roll!!!!

WINTERFEST

Thank you to all the Silver Ridge families that attended our second annual Winterfest Breakfast. Everyone seemed to have a great time enjoying the food and music, decorating ornaments to take home, actively listening to the storyteller show, visiting with Santa, and for those who were there at the end, seeing snow fall at Silver Ridge!

I'd like to express my gratitude and recognize those who made the event possible, turning Silver Ridge into our own Winter Wonderland. Thank you to Betty Davis for her assistance with putting together the event. Thank you to Larry Davis and Harold Meade for being supportive and helping with anything and everything. Thank you to Nelly Silva for being our photographer/button maker. Thank you to Scott Abramson for being so jolly ;-). Thank you to Shirley Parra for manning the bake sale table. Thank you to Lauren Artigas, Carol Alterman Jen Meyer, Michelle Trento and Kelly Rothschild for the festive baked goods. Thank you to Jacob Davis, Dylan Davis, Chloe Lecusay, Gabriel Lecusay and Dorian Meade for working with the children to decorate ornaments. Thank you to Linda Notman and Michele Drucker for helping setup and tear down. Thank you to Robin Litsenberger for her behind the scene work in the kitchen. We couldn't have done it without all your help!

Math Superstars

Congratulations to the following classes for having the highest participation in Math Superstars for the second 4 week period. They are all having ice cream parties!

- 1st grade: Ms. Knight 3rd grade: Ms. Simonetti
- 2nd grade: Ms. Cline 4th grade: Ms. Scott
- 5th grade: Ms. Gonzalez

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Did you know that you are welcome to have breakfast with your child at school between 7:30 and 8:00 on Wednesdays and Thursdays?

"Sports is for life."

K-1st

Playball uses non-competitive sport to teach life skills and instill self-confidence in children. The program actively incorporates traits such as respect, teamwork, persistence, responsibility, patience and tolerance.

Playball is for **BOYS** and **GIRLS** and consists of 6 stages, progressing from basic ball and motor development skills for our younger students to proficient sports participation in our older classes. Our program introduces students to a wide variety of sports: hockey, baseball, basketball, tennis, soccer and volleyball.

Playball is taught in a **safe, energetic, creative and fun** atmosphere that promotes learning. Positive reinforcement, specialized coaching techniques and the use of imagery allow us to nurture students on the physical, social and emotional levels.

Playball classes are held once a week for 45 minutes and held on school campus. We also package our students' favorite games and activities into parties for children of all ages and run our own summer camp programs.



**After School Sports Instruction Program
Grades 2nd- 5th**

Elite Sports Instruction, Inc., is designed to work within the Broward County Schools' after care program. Since 2000, we've been providing baseball, soccer, basketball, and flag football instruction for 2nd-5th students in Broward County Public Schools. Our instructors have ample years of experience in their specific sport and most are teachers and coaches.

At ESI, we are committed to providing Broward County students quality, hands-on sports instruction in a safe and nurturing environment. Our lessons are planned, sequenced, and delivered by informed coaches and the program is progressive in nature. The activities place emphasis on character building, self-confidence, teamwork and fun. Students who participate receive certificates, athletic trading cards and T-shirts. All classes are held on the school's campus.

We are in the process of possibly opening these 2 programs to all students enrolled at Silver Ridge Elementary School. We are trying to determine the level of interest. This would be an after school event sponsored and coordinated by Playball and Elite Sports Instruction, Inc. Based upon the level of interest and response, we may be starting these programs at our school.

If you are interested, please complete, detach, and send this portion of the form into the front office of the school.

Student's Name _____

Grade _____

Phone Number _____

Wednesday's Writers

The following fifth grade students have been added to my list of **grammar kings and queens** for two or more weeks in a row: Scott Luippold, Caroline Taggart, Alexandra Schrieber, Abraham Eldajani, Devon Gugliuzza, and Kory Keegan! I am so proud!



In addition to greatness in grammar, students in other grade levels are producing incredible pieces of writing:

Nicholas Irvin from Ms. Bortner's first grade class wrote an entertaining fictional narrative about a snowman.

Lindsey Newman from Ms. Spector's class wrote about the fun changes she would make if she was in charge of the world, and finally

Kayla Francis from Ms. Spector's class wrote a heart warming expository about her dad.

Don't forget to write through the winter by having your kids write their holiday lists, family postcards, thank yous or keeping a winter vacation scrapbook!

Happy Holidays and winter break!

Maria Feldman

PTO News

The PTO Board would like to wish all Silver Ridge families and staff a very happy, safe and healthy holiday season and best wishes for the New Year! Our Silver Ridge families have been really great this year in supporting PTO activities and events. We really appreciate your support! It allows us to enrich our children's educational experiences and help make Silver Ridge such a wonderful school. Our annual Winter Carnival will be coming up at the end of January; you'll be hearing much more about it in the weeks to come, and we look forward to making it a success!

Marlen Meade, PTO President

DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec 18	PTO Mtg	8am
Dec 22 – Jan 2	Winter Break NO SCHOOL	

