

Patriot Pride

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Proud Patriot Families,

It's hard to believe that the 2021-2022 school year is almost over. Thank you for all of your support during the year.

As we come to the close of the school year, there are many important things happening. First FSA testing began April 5th with 3rd grade Reading. The full schedule can be found in the Upcoming Events section. Our teachers and students have worked hard to prepare for success. Please make sure that your child gets plenty of rest the night before their test and begins their morning with a good breakfast. Also, be sure to send them off to school with a "you've got this", and a big hug.

We are also gearing up for Kindergarten Round-up. If you know of someone who has a child who will be entering Kindergarten, and is zoned for Carlton Palmore, please share the Kindergarten Round-up information with them. We will register students between April 1st and April 29th. On April 20th from 1:30 - 4:30, we will host a

Meet and Greet with our teachers as well as a tour of the school. We are looking forward to welcoming all of our little new Patriots!

Finally, we want to celebrate our students, and their hard work and accomplishments this year. Information regarding awards ceremonies will be sent home soon. Please be on the lookout as we will be having awards on campus this year. However, we will be issuing tickets and limiting the number of guests to ensure the safety of our students, staff, and families.

Summer will be here before you know it! Please encourage your child to continue reading throughout the summer months. Visit the public library as a family and spend some time each night reading together. We hope that you enjoy your time together and cannot wait to welcome you with open arms in August.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Dardis, Principal

Upcoming Events:

April 13 – Spring into Reading Family Night

April 15 – Holiday – No School

April 20 – Early Dismissal at 12:30 pm

April 20 – Kindergarten Round-up 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

April 22 – Interim Reports

April 29 – PBS Event – Free Dress

May 3 & 4 – 4th & 5th Grade Reading FSA Assessment

May 9 & 10 – 3rd -5th Grade Math FSA Assessment

May 16 & 17 – 5th Grade Sate Science Assessment

May 18 – SAC Meeting

May 20 – PBS Event

May 27 – Report Cards, Last day of school, Early Dismissal at 12:30

Grade Level News:

Kindergarten News:

Kindergarten students are becoming more independent readers. We mastered the basics of letter names and sounds and now we are learning that some letters can make more than one sound (long vowels and short vowels) while others have partners that help them form a single sound (sh, ch, th, and wh). You can help your child improve their reading skills by studying their word families and their sight words daily. Please also help your child practice their weekly reading passage. The more students practice these reading skills, the better reader they will become. In math, we are learning about 2D and 3D shapes. Then, we will learn about measurement (length, height, weight, and size). In our last science unit, we are learning about living and nonliving things. Some of our fun investigations include worms, butterflies, and plants.

First Grade News:

Wow! This year has flown by! First grade will continue working hard for the last nine weeks of school. In reading, students are learning about r-controlled vowels, vowel teams, and multiple meaning words. They will continue to learn about story elements, such as characters, settings, and events in the story. They will also identify the topic and details in a nonfiction story. In math first grade is learning about two- and three-dimensional shapes and will describe their attributes. Students will also compose and decompose shapes and partition circles and rectangles into two and four equal parts. Students should be completing their monthly homework practice to practice math skills and sight words to build reading fluency. They should read their AR books each night and complete their AR summary. Thank you for all your support this year and the fun-filled memories!

Second Grade News:

Second grade scientists will be learning about different body parts and how these parts including the heart, the lungs, the stomach, and the kidneys help them survive. In math, students have been learning about telling time using both a digital and analog clock. They have learned how to place the minute hand and hour hand on the clock in the appropriate position to create a specific time. This month we are learning about where money comes from, how much each coin is worth and completing word problems that include adding and subtracting money in different money amounts.

7- Habits Spotlight

Students earn a Patriot stamp each day if they have made great choices and have followed our 7 habits each day. At the end of each month, students will be rewarded for earning the patriot stamps in their agenda with participation in our PBIS Leadership event. We will celebrate students' positive behavior efforts with free dress on Friday, April 29th and a dance party on Friday, May 20th. Be sure to check your child's agenda daily for those Patriot Stamps.

Student Leaders

These students have exhibited the seven habits for the month of January, February, and March.

Kindergarten:

Mrs. Horton – Abigail Kelley, Nash Monroe, and Andy Cruz
Mrs. DeBorg – Khalani Foster, Everly Wilks, and Penelope Maldonado
Ms. Rogers – My'Cael Evans, Caroline Chappara, De'Arian Wilson

1st Grade:

Ms. Arnold – Royale Tucker, Ariaah Burdine, Ashtyn Thornton
Ms. Delisle – Amara Gonzalez, Owen Hanson, and Ja'Kaylen Johnson
Mrs. Portillo – Teddy Moody,
Mrs. Steele – Udbhav Sudarshanam, Myra Williams, and AJ Plain

Third Grade News:

As we get closer to the end of the school year, we've got a lot planned. First off, Third grade will be taking the Reading FSA in the beginning of April, and the Math FSA in May. We have been working hard all year and they will be amazing! In Reading, students will continue focusing on analyzing the text for key details and distinguishing various character's points of view. In Math, students have been using measurements to create bar graphs, picture graphs, and line plots. Soon we will move on to telling time and learning how to determine elapsed time. It has been an exciting year so far and we have more excitement coming.

Fourth Grade News:

4th grade students have been busy learning and prepping for FSA. They are working so hard, and we are all extremely proud of them! Please make sure you encourage all you can before any major test. It is important that they know you are supporting them and are proud of them. We have already started to spiral through our ELA standards and are bringing in more higher order activities to help students lock in those standards. In Math, we started our final Module before we start spiraling back through all 4th grade standards. During this model, students are learning all about geometry. Start bringing in some real-world examples, ask your child what kind of lines/shapes they see as you are walking outside or riding in the car. They have also been doing a great job with their 40-Day FSA Countdown. This countdown is a review of the standards to prep for FSA Math. Unfortunately, as you know, we were unable to go on our field trip to Agri-Fest, but we are working on a different field trip so please stay tuned for more information. As always, please continue to have your child read each night. This is imperative to their learning and will help a tremendous amount.

Fifth Grade News:

Hello from 5th grade! As we enter the last nine weeks, we will be working hard to learn as much as we can and prepare for the upcoming end of the year FSA testing. This school year is flying by! In math, we just finished converting units of measurement, both customary and metric. We are working on graphing ordered pairs on coordinate planes and next we will be moving on to geometry. We complete a weekly spiral review in class to practice all previous standards taught. Please continue to encourage your student to keep practicing those multiplication facts, which are necessary to ensure success with most math skills/standards. Science has been amazing! We are studying the human body and the function of the organs. Students researched all of the major organs and created life size human body models, which are on display in our classrooms. Next, will begin to compare and contrast the human body to plants and animals. Then we will be learning about adaptations and environmental changes. We continue to practice our comprehension and vocabulary skills in reading. The focus has been comparing overall text structures, multiple main ideas, theme, analyzing multiple accounts and author's point of view. Fifth grade has been diligently working to meet our weekly and quarterly AR goals. Please keep encouraging your student to read nightly and to take those AR test to earn points and meet those individual AR goals. As always, be sure to continue to check your class Dojo page and/or weekly newsletters to stay informed on everything that is happening in 5th grade.

Student Leaders continued:

2nd Grade:

Ms. Grant – Lilyth Soler
Mrs. Hollingsworth – Aleckxander Denson, Catlee Shaw
Mrs. Richardson – Christopher Darden, Kora Nason, Jackson Davis
Mrs. Watler – Elvan Wade, Thea Hawkins, Legend Romeus

3rd Grade:

Mrs. Amezquita – Ka'Mahri Calhoun, Tanner Whitfield, Mariyah Smith
Mrs. Winstanley – Jack Jones, Amari Dozier, Aiden Aaronson
Ms. Lockhart – Saileny Fernandez, Aiden Swanson and Baylee Watkins

4th Grade:

Ms. Camp – Kara Larrison, Natalie Blackwell, and Denise Crowley
Ms. Hayes – Kanshitha Sudarshanam, Marlon Campbell, and Jada Bellamy
Mrs. Maldonado – Quinn Yates, Tripp Myers

5th Grade:

Mrs. Beardsley – Keyshianis Mercado-Rivera, Dazaria West, Isabella Odazin
Mrs. Lunsford – Cara Beal, Kailyn Henry, Waylyha Warren
Ms. Rivera – Anslee Johnson, Amelia Martinez

Ms. Schultz – Marty Pass, Luca Williams, Victoria Santiago
Mrs. Weaver – Anakin Stillinger, Alassia Owens, Jean Cruz-Negroni
Mrs. Zimmerman – Jack Thompson, Ladarian Coleman
Mrs. Dorsant – DaCeion Skanes

Pre-K:

Mrs. Jakubik/Mrs. Oxley – Killian Ayers, Annalise Key, Edward Mehrer
Mrs. Roberts – Leo Weaver, Cassidy Blue McMillan

FROM THE MEDIA CENTER:

We will be hosting a book fair April 18th - April 22nd in the library. This is the perfect opportunity to purchase some books for summer. Students will be able to come in during their scheduled library time to purchase books. Be on the lookout for the flier coming home with more details.

Library book checkouts will end the week of May 9th. Please make sure your student returns any checked-out books at that time. Families will get a paper reminder about any outstanding books that need to be returned that week. If your child has any library fines for lost or destroyed media items, you will be notified after the week of May 9th.

Make sure to check out our local library this summer and keep reading!



ACADEMIC COACHES CORNER:

Hi CPE Families! Our students have been diligently preparing, and now the testing season has arrived! Our 3rd 4th and 5th graders have been busy practicing test taking strategies to support them during the FSA season. You can support your child too! ☺ Use the list below to practice test prep at home. As students continue to prepare in the classroom, any extra practice at home can greatly support your child's progress! Thank you for your support.

Do your best!!!

Love, Mrs. Miller and Ms. Pierce



- * Listen carefully to oral directions
- * Read all the answer choices carefully before you make a decision
- * Fully bubble in your answer choice
- * If you don't know the answer, circle or underline key words that can help you determine the correct answer
- * Avoid spending too much time struggling with one question. If you are not sure of the answer, skip it and move on. After you have finished the test, go back and complete the ones you skipped. Then review the section one more time.
- ***Relax and DO YOUR BEST
- **Eat and rest well
- **Remember to use your test strategies (Ruby Pane and Cubes)



PE Updates

I would like to thank you all for your continued support and help in making our last 9 weeks the most meaningful yet. As our weather changes, please encourage your students to wear appropriate clothing and shoes to PE. Water bottles can be brought to PE but must be stored to the side of the basketball court during instructional time. Our lost and found has grown since our last cold snap, so please ask your student to look for any missing cold weather clothing before the end of the school year. During the fourth 9 weeks, all grades will be working on baseball skills that are aimed at promoting hand-eye coordination. Next, our primary students will work on bowling skills to learn transfer of weight principles as well as balance and rhythm. Finally, they will end the year with basketball to learn teamwork and cooperation. Intermediate students will be working on baseball as well as the introduction to tennis. Both units are aimed at increasing hand-eye coordination. They will finish the year with basketball fundamentals.

Art Updates

We have complete so many projects this year that have resulted in students creating incredible works of art. Every year, 5th grade students participate in the Polk County Kids Tag Art program. All students who submit completed artwork will get their art turned into a vanity plate for a vehicle. We had two students chosen from our school to receive Awards of Distinction for their work - Siliva Martinez and Sophia Munoz. Additionally, the Free to Be Me art exhibition at the Polk Museum of Art will begin in April. Three students from our school were chosen to have their work displayed. Congratulations to Cooper Chastain, Hanshitha Sudarshanam, and Haily Ishihara. We are so excited for them and their accomplishments.