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The Ultimate Guide for Explorers

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Mar 17-21 Spring break
- Mar 24 Classes resume
- Mar 26 WOW Kg
- Mar 27 Report Cards
- Mar 31 Character Counts!
Celebration 9:15am
- Apr 2 WOW 1st grade
- Apr 4 Field trip 1st grade MOSH
Wheeler, Killian, Campbell,
and Roberts

Ms. Slater's Journal



Hopefully you are enjoying a wonderful Spring Break! We are looking forward to seeing all of our Explorers back on March 24, 2014. This semester will be very busy! We finished the third nine weeks on March 13th. Teachers are busy getting report cards ready to go home on Thursday, March 27th. If you would like a conference with your child's teacher, please contact them directly. We are happy to discuss our students' successes with you at any time!

With spring just around the corner, this is the time of year that we need to keep our students focused and working hard. Students have been working hard all year! FCAT testing for grades 3-5 start April 22nd. It is imperative that students are here each day on time and ready to learn. There are lots of outside activities gearing up and making sure your children are prepared for school each day is crucial. Please let us know if we can assist you in any way.

Our Field Days were a huge success! Thanks to all of our volunteers who helped to make it a wonderful day for our students! A giant thank you to Coach McMahon and Coach Westbrook for their leadership and organization of this great event.

Congratulations to Tej Patel the winner of our school-wide Tropicana Speech contest. His speech on "Candy" was delightful and made us crave a sweet treat! Also, congratulations to all of the students who participated in the school contest. All of the students were well prepared and did a fabulous job!

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you need anything! Your children are our children!

Christy Slater

A La Carte Menu

- Mon. Red Baron Pizza
Ice cream
- Tues. Spicy Chicken
Sandwich
Curly fries
Cookies
- Wed. Cookies
Tater tots or Potato
triangles
- Thurs. Papa Johns
Cookies
- Fri. Ice Cream



Our Mission:

Making positive contributions to society by expanding minds to explore our expanding world

Resource Record

ART NEWS



All the students are working very hard on their projects this year getting ready for our big Art Expo on Thursday May 15th. Just a reminder that I keep all the artwork until the end of the year in order to choose their very best piece of art for the show. Each grade level is working on their 3rd or 4th project of the year. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me. I am still working on getting my web page up and running, continue to check for progress.

Labaw's Log

All children have the potential to develop leadership skills!

Some children seem to be born leaders. They have the self-confidence, helpfulness and friendliness that make other people want to work with them.

But all children, whether they are born leaders or not, have the ability to become leaders. Here are some ways you can help your child develop leadership skills:

- Look at leaders in the news. Whether you're watching a story about a winning football team or a community effort to build a park, help your child see that someone was the leader of that group. Talk about what makes people good leaders.
- Be a leader yourself. Elementary school children want to be like their parents. When you take a leadership role--whether it's in your school, your business or your community--tell your child about what you're doing and why. "I volunteered to raise money for your school because I want your class to have more computers."
- Teach your child to see things from other people's point of view. Good leaders aren't bossy. They make people want to work together. Help your child put himself in other's shoes.
- Find leadership opportunities. Children can learn leadership skills in church, clubs, Scouts, athletic teams and many other organizations. Family meetings are another good way to develop "home-grown" leadership. Let children take turns chairing the meetings and carrying out family projects.
Don't push. Pressuring a child beyond his abilities will destroy self-esteem, not build it. If your child seems stressed or unhappy, it's time to lighten up.

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Gifted Parent Advisory Council

Meeting will take place March 25 from 5:30pm-6:30pm in the Media Center of Ocean Palms Elementary School.

Cinderella will be performed at Bartram Trail HS from April 10-13, 2014.

Evening performances are on April 10, 11, and 12, at 7pm, and April 13, at 2pm.

Ticket prices are \$10 and will be sold at the door. Advanced ticket sales are available by calling 904-547-8340.

A special Cinderella Meet and Greet will be held immediately following the Sunday matinee. Tickets for this event are \$5/child.

Dress like a Disney character and enjoy!!

Attn: Rising 6th grade parents

Please visit Fruit Cove website and subscribe to the Frequent Flyer as a "Rising 6th Grade Parent" so you can begin receiving middle school information. Also, as you coordinate all your summer appointments, please note that rising 6th graders (current 5th graders) need two Varicella vaccines before entering middle school (this is new). You can either provide the elementary with the proper documentation or provide the middle school with the information over the summer.