



Roberts Elementary School

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a fun and restful spring break! The children have returned to school rested and ready to complete their grade level expectations. I encourage families to keep early bedtimes and consistent routines for their children during these springtime months. The results will be happier, well-behaved children who are able to be successful with their school work.

As we head into the last nine weeks of the school year, there are many activities and events planned you don't want to miss. In order to keep abreast of these events, please make sure you are signed on to our ListServ and are checking our school web site often. In addition, please hang a copy of the April calendar on your fridge so you won't miss anything important, especially the Night Under the Stars Movie Event in conjunction with the Silent Auction on Friday, May 11.

In addition to the safety information you received in a listserv this week, we are also problem solving some safety issues at dismissal in the car pick up lane. Deputy Halligan has been assisting with dismissal each afternoon and has brought to my attention that children are in seats without

seatbelts as well as parents on the phone or texting while driving to pick up their children. I want to remind you of the importance of paying attention while driving in that lane. We want to avoid any accidents and we want to keep everyone safe. Deputy Halligan is going to begin writing tickets for drivers whose children are not in the appropriate car seat and/ or not properly seat belted. It's also important for you to be prompt and on time.

Dismissal starts at 2:50 and by 3:00 we have an empty line with a room full of children waiting to be picked up from school. Please help us by coming to pick up your children on time each and every day!

It was wonderful to see so many parents at the school for our Field Day! Thank you to all who came out to assist with the events and to join in the fun! Your involvement is such a support to your children and their teachers!

DATES TO REMEMBER

4/3/2018	18-19 Kdg Parent Meeting 6 PM
4/4/2018	EPCOT Parent Meeting 6 PM
4/5/2018	18-19 Kdg Orientation/Tour 9:30 AM
4/10/2018- 4/11/2018	3rd Grade FSA ELA
4/17/2018- 4/18/2018	3rd Grade FSA Math
4/19/2018- 4/20/2018	4th & 5th Grade FSA ELA
4/23/2018	Sea World Parent Meeting 6 PM
4/24/2018- 4/25/2018	4th & 5th Grade FSA Math
4/26/2018	Take Your Child to Work Day
4/27/2018	4th Grade EPCOT Field Trip
4/30/2018- 5/4/2018	Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week
5/1/2018- 5/2/2018	5th Grade FCAT Science
5/4/2018	Relay for Life-Chiles High School

UPCOMING TESTING DATES

FSA and FCAT testing is approaching and the students and teachers have been working hard on all aspects of the curriculum. We feel that the students are well prepared for these assessments but there are things that you, as parents, can do to help.

- Ensure your child gets plenty of rest with an appropriate bedtime.
- Make sure they get a good breakfast.
- Most importantly, make sure to get your child to school on time every morning!

We appreciate your support and we're ready to Rock the Test!

April 10-11: 3rd grade FSA ELA

April 17-18: 3rd grade FSA Math

April 19-20: 4th & 5th grade FSA ELA

April 24-25: 4th & 5th grade FSA Math

May 1-2: 5th grade FCAT Science

FROM THE PTO:

Spring has sprung and that brings some wonderful, new things to our Roberts community. We are so excited and thankful to announce that Dr. Burch of Burch Orthodontics and Gaskin Irrigation are partnering to refurbish two of the baseball fields on campus! Our Red Foxes and the surrounding area that utilizes those fields through Tallahassee Parks and Recreation will have some amazing fields in the near future. Thank you so much, Dr. Burch and Gaskin Irrigation!

Upcoming Events:

April 2nd-6th: Student Voting for Foxes Under the Stars movie selection. This year students will be able to vote for which movie we get to watch! Voting will take place in the Media Center.

April 3rd: Parent Orientation for Incoming Kindergarteners. This parents only meeting will take place in the cafeteria from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.. Please help spread the word to any families you know have

rising kindergartners.

April 5th: Student Orientation for Future Red Foxes. 9:30-11:00. This event will kick off in the cafeteria and include a tour of the kindergarten classrooms. Spirit Sales will be available at this event!

April 30th - May 4th: Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week.

May 11th: Silent Auction and Foxes Under the Stars.

As always, if there is anything that I can do to be of assistance, please contact me at DayleMooney@gmail.com. Thank you for supporting our school and the PTO.

Sincerely,

Dayle Mooney, PTO President

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

Pass the word to families in the Roberts school zone who have children beginning kindergarten next year that we will be having an informational meeting for parents on Tuesday, April 3, at 6:00 pm. This meeting is for **PARENTS ONLY**.

Our annual Student Orientation & tour for new kindergarten families will be Thursday, April 5. We will begin at 9:30 am in the cafeteria where parents and children will be broken into groups. They will then be able to visit kindergarten classrooms and tour the school campus. Parents will be able to begin the registration process at that time.

Please visit our website for more information about registering a new student and for a list of documentation you will need. You can also contact our Registrar, Kim Kennett, (850) 488-0923.

TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO WORK DAY

We will be recognizing the 'Take Your Daughters and Sons to Work Day' on April 26, 2018. Only grades 3 - 8 are eligible to participate. Parents **MUST** complete the **Student Intent to Participate in Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day** form and submit prior to April 26th, 2018 for the absence to be field tripped. This form is available in the front office. The parent must also submit to the school a written statement on the employer's letterhead verifying that the student participated in the 'Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day' by April 30th.

YEARBOOKS

While the price of the yearbook has gone up, there is still time to order! Yearbooks are now \$28 and can be ordered online at www.leonards.com/yearbooks using the code **C421680** or by sending the order form and payment to your child's teacher. Additional forms are available in the front office. If you have questions, email cameronc@leonschools.net.

VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR

We are blessed to have so many wonderful volunteers at Roberts Elementary that it is difficult to choose just a few to honor! This year we are honoring the following:

- **Laura Cheesman, Adult Volunteer of the Year**
- **Diane Kesling, Senior Volunteer of the Year**

Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication!

SAVE THE DATES: 5TH GRADE PARENTS

The end of the school year is fast approaching and we want to let 5th grade parents know about all of the wonderful activities that are planned. Teachers will send out more information as the dates approach.

Tuesday, May 29: 5th grade Completion Ceremony (9 AM)

Wednesday, May 30th: 5th grade Luau

Thursday, May 31st: Walk of Honor (12 PM)