Dear Bayshore Families,

Spring is in the air and we have accomplished so much this year. Our focus on academics will remain strong as we strive to master all of our Florida State Standards. We also want to celebrate Bayshore’s achievements in earning its Gold Star Status in recognition of our achievements supporting PBIS. We are extremely proud of our students and staff every day. We continue to be reminded each day of our students supporting and demonstrating our monthly Social Emotional Learning theme. The theme for February was Diversity and Tolerance and we look forward to celebrating the theme of Kindness in the month of March. Thank you, families, for supporting our monthly themes discussing various ways our students can demonstrate their understanding with their classmates and the Bayshore staff.

The Florida Standards Assessments FSA Reading, FSA Math, and FCAT Science will be assessed in April through May for grades 3-5. It is extremely important, that unless your child is ill, they are in school on the days of testing. Our students and teachers have been working hard, and we encourage you to take advantage of the information and resources available on the Florida Standards Assessment portal (www.FSAssessments.org) and the FLDOE website (www.fldoe.org).

Please mark your calendars and join us Thursday, April 18th beginning at 5:00 p.m. for our annual Community Resource Night. We will have many community agencies present to share valuable information with you! Students will leave with a new book and a t-shirt pass for Friday, April 19th. This year we are excited to partner with the St. Lucie County Sheriff’s Department and offer families some fun games, fingerprinting and more during their “pop-up” party.

As always, thank you for your continuous involvement and support of your child’s education at Bayshore Elementary. We truly appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline C. Lynch

March Highlights

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School Advisory Council (SAC)

SAC met on Tuesday, February 12 @ 3:45. We continued discussion on the importance of promoting Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) within the school environment. The SEL theme for the month of February was Diversity and Tolerance. In addition, the sock drawer drive was a huge success with over 800 pairs of socks being collected for the homeless. Lastly, we discussed the importance of the Referendum for children, teachers, safety, and future. This is a significant district initiative for the following:

- recruit and retain high quality teachers
- improve school safety and security
- expand mental health services
- preserve important school programs
- Be sure to cast your ballot (mail only) by April 23!

Our next SAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 @ 3:45. We hope to see you there.

Important upcoming dates

April 2: 4th & 5th grade FSA Writing
April 4-5: 3rd grade Reading FSA (dates of assessments are on page 2 of this newsletter)
April 16: Honor Roll
3rd gr. - 2:15
4th - 9:30
5th - 1:30
April 19: Holiday for all
Guidance Corner

Attendance Matters!!!

Showing up for school has a huge impact on a student’s academic success starting in kindergarten and continuing through high school. Families play a key role in making sure that students get to school safely every day, and understanding why attendance is so important for success in school and in life.

We realize some absences are unavoidable due to health concerns or other circumstances. However, we also know that when students miss too much school, regardless of the reason, it can cause them to fall behind academically. Your child is less likely to succeed if he or she is chronically absent which is if he or she misses just two days every month!

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Office reminders

* Please do not drop students off before 8:15AM. This is a serious safety concern as there is no supervision until 8:15 AM. All students must enter the building using the side cafeteria door.

* Changing the way a child goes home can become very confusing for both staff and students. Please maintain a consistent dismissal pattern. In order to ensure your child receives the change in dismissal, all changes must be received in the office by 1:45 p.m. via written notice, fax, or e-mail. For the safety of our students, changes cannot occur after 1:45 p.m.

* In order to minimize disruptions inside and outside of the classroom, we have to place limits on the time of day when you can pick up your child. Students cannot be picked up after 2:45 p.m. (12:30 on early release days), our office staff and students are preparing for dismissal. If you have an afternoon appointment, kindly pick your child up before 2:45 p.m. You will otherwise have to wait for general dismissal at 3:15 p.m. and to follow the regular dismissal procedures for general dismissal. Students will not be permitted to report to the main office when the bell rings.

* For safety reasons, students must be checked out through the school office. Only parents, guardians, and persons listed on the emergency contact list will be permitted to sign out a student. Anyone signing out a student MUST show proper identification.

Thank you so much for your cooperation.

PTO

PTO will start their Yankee Candle Fundraiser. The fundraiser will run from March 26th through April 5th!!

Here are a few quick tips about the fundraiser:

• Please fill out the order form completely.
• Please add 7% sales tax to all orders.
• Please make sure your balance due matches the money turned in.
• Please make all checks payable to Bayshore Elementary and make sure all checks have a name, address, and phone number.

You can also go online using code 990049272 at Yankeecandlefundraising.com now until July 10, 2019!!! Thank you and happy selling!

Also, please join us on March 5th from 4pm - 6pm at Flying Panda for another family night!! Don’t forget to bring your flyer so Bayshore will receive 20% back!!

Please join us for our next meeting on March 12th at 8:45 in the front office. If you have any questions, please contact Katrina Jurasz, PTO President, at 772-340-4720.

Lost and Found

Please remind your child(ren) to check lost and found for any missing jackets/sweaters. All remaining jackets will be donated if not claimed by March 15th.

3rd Grade FSA Night!!!

Bayshore Elementary third grade teachers would like to invite our third grade families to FSA Parent Information and Training Night on March 14th at 5:30pm. Not only do we want our third grade students to be prepared for this very important assessment, we want our parents to be well informed, as well. We will discuss many important subjects like what the test is and why it is being administered, which tests your child will be taking, the types of questions on the test, and what happens after the test. We will also be available to answer any questions parents might have. We hope to see you there!

Standardized Assessments

Choose to do well

Here are four ways to help your child be successful during state testing.

1. Explain that the test will show how much they have learned. Encourage your children to try their best, but don’t put so much emphasis on it that they feel stressed.

2. Practice the test format. Practice tests can be accessed online at www.fssassessments.org.

3. Limit activities the night before the test. You may want to avoid having guests for dinner or skip a brother’s baseball game if it means being out late. Be sure your child gets to bed on time and sets an alarm for the next morning.

4. On test day, ensure that your child gets breakfast at home, or a free nutritious breakfast at school.

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Kindergarten

Kindergarten has been working extremely hard learning their sight words! Please keep practicing the sight words EVERY night!!! We have been doing a great job sounding out CVC words and identifying the beginning, middle, and ending sounds in CVC words. We are using our sight words and CVC words to write longer sentences. We have also been working on addition, subtraction, non-standard measurement, and counting to 75 in math. We loved learning about sound and vibration in science!

We had a wonderful time on Penguin Day reviewing our skills. We also learned a lot of interesting facts about penguins and we even learned how to waddle like a penguin!

March will be another very busy month for kindergarten. We will be going on a field trip to Hallstrom Planetarium at IRSC in Fort Pierce and we will be participating in kindergarten field day this month!

1st grade

First Grade is looking towards successfully completing their 3rd quarter of the school year! With all of the great successes, students who met 50% of their typical growth goal on the iReady diagnostic, had a blast at the I-Ready carnival! The students have been working hard as they add and subtract to 100. They have learned so many strategies and are doing well with using them. Our students are also excelling with identifying the main idea and key details of a text. We are looking forward to our trip to Legoland to start off an amazing Spring Break. Please don't forget to continue reading and practicing fluency over the break. As always, we would like to thank our students' parents for all of their support!

4th grade

4th quarter is around the corner and we are moving ahead in all core subjects. In reading classes, we are integrating information from two passages, both in literature and informational text. This is an important part of comprehension. Our writers have made gains on opinion essays. We will be moving between informative and opinion lessons to improve both. 4th grade is the first-year writing is assessed on the state exam and we are working hard to be ready by the first week of April. Mathematicians are hard at work finishing up division of fractions and getting ready to conquer angles! That's the shape of things in 4th grade!

5th grade

We had such an amazing month in February! Fifth graders explored the water cycle and weather in science and are now deep into learning about the organization and development of living things. In math we learned all about decimal operations, coordinate planes, line graphs, and line plots. After school math tutoring began in February for selected students. In reading, students are reviewing standards in both whole group discussions and small group sessions. Students are also practicing these standards during literacy centers. You should have received a letter regarding our end of year field trip to Medieval Times. Please be aware of the due dates for the money and permission slips. Thank you!
Positive Behavior Interventions Supports (PBIS)!!!

Have you memorized the Kids at Hope Parent Pledge yet? Every morning, students at Bayshore recite the KAH pledge after the Pledge of Allegiance. We invite you to learn the KAH parent pledge as well as encourage our Bayshore parents to recite the KAH pledge during these events as a gesture of support for our students.

Our next PBIS event is BINGO on Friday, March 15th. Students may purchase BINGO cards $3 Jazzy Cash for 1 card and $5 Jazzy Cash for 2 cards. Please encourage your child to follow the PBIS school-wide expectations!

Please review our dress code policy through our website http://schools.stlucie.k12.fl.us/bay/

You can also be part of our PBIS efforts by volunteering at one of our PBIS events.

Congratulations to all staff and students for their outstanding PBIS support earning Bayshore Elementary a Gold Star Status for 2017-2018. We are very proud of everyone affiliated with this outstanding recognition and thankful for your support.

March of Dimes

Each spring, students, teachers, and families are invited to donate to March of Dimes, whose mission is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth, and infant mortality. In 2018 Bayshore’s campaign raised more than $1400. We would like to beat that this year. To start our fundraising efforts we are collecting change to go to the March of Dimes. The class that collects the most weight in change will win a pizza party. The last day for the change collection is March 29th. Wish bracelets will go on sale in April.

Bayshore Soars into 2nd place!!!!

Congratulations Bayshore Elementary on earning 2nd place in the SLC Fair Elementary Division. $500.00 was awarded to Bayshore Elementary from Dermody Pediatric Dentistry & Orthodontics that will be used to purchase art supplies. Thank you so much to everyone for helping with our awesome display and voting for Bayshore’s booth while you were out at the fair.

Yearbook

The 2018-2019 yearbooks are on sale now! All yearbooks come in hardcover. Order yours now at the special pre-sale price of $18 until March 8, 2019. The cost will increase after March 8, 2019 to $21 per book.

You can pay by cash, check, or online. Checks should be made payable to Bayshore Elementary. Please include your phone number on the check.

Online order info:
http://ybpay.lifetouch.com/
Yearbook ID: 13618919

YEARBOOK BUSINESS AD Show your support for Bayshore Elementary by placing a business ad in the 2018-2019 yearbook.
Prices:
$15 - Business Card size
$25 - ¼ page ad
$50 - ½ page ad
$100 - full page ad

YEARBOOK DEDICATION Express to your child how much you care for them by putting your words into print. Write a special message to your child in Bayshore’s yearbook! The price of the message is only $10. Example: Dear Adrian, we love you! Keep up the great work. Love, Mom, Dad, and Michelle. Not only can you write that special message, you can add a picture with it too!
Prices:
$10 for just words (50 or less words)
$25 for a ¼ page (words and picture)
$50 for a ½ page (words and picture)
$100 for a full page (words and picture)

* You can email your message along with any photos to Mrs. Comperchio at jeanne.comperchio@stlucieschools.org

* All business ads, dedications, and pictures must be submitted by March 1, 2019. Please make checks payable to Bayshore Elementary. Checks must include your phone number.

Family Night at Wingstop

Bayshore’s Family Night is on Tuesday, March 12th at Wingstop at 3203 SW Port St. Lucie Blvd. from 4:00 – 9:00 p.m. Present the flyer or identify yourself as part of Bayshore and Wingstop will donate a percentage of the proceeds back to Bayshore. We hope to see you there!