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BAYSHORE
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Jazzy Journal

Principal's Corner

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 BEST standards. Thank you to our families, friends, and business partners for your unwavering support; we appreciate you! Our annual iReady Carnival highlighting students earning 50 percent or higher of their iReady goal is scheduled for March 3rd. Our students are so excited! We also celebrated Black History Month with student presentations, power points, and bulletin board decorations displaying significant contributions of African American men and women who have paved the way in the fields of education, politics, law, sports, and entertainment, just to name a few. Please check out our Facebook page to view all the amazing things going on at Bayshore!

We continue to be reminded each day of our students supporting and demonstrating our monthly Life Management and Character Education (LMCE) theme. The theme for March is Resiliency and we look forward to celebrating all the students' accomplishments. Thank you for supporting our monthly theme by discussing various ways our students can demonstrate their understanding of the theme with their classmates and the Bayshore staff.

The Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) PM #3 assessment will be administered in May for grades K through 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 FLDOE website (www.fl DOE.org) or our SLPS webpage [Students & Families \(flfast.org\)](http://Students & Families (flfast.org)). More information will be forthcoming.

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

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March Highlights

March 3	Pink Day	
March 3	I-Ready Carnival	
March 8-10	5th Grade Spirit Week	
March 8	5th Grade Jersey Day	
March 8	SAC /PTO	3:45 pm / 4:30pm
March 9	4th Grade In-School Field Trip	
March 9	Crazy Hat and Sock Day	
March 10	Pajama Day	
March 10	Early release End of the 3rd 9 weeks	1:15 p.m.
	PBIS BINGO	
March 12	Daylight Savings Time begins!	
March 13-17	Spring Break (No school)	
March 20	Teacher Work Day (No school)	
March 21	Students return from Spring Break	
March 22	*Spring Picture Day*	
March 23	Dental Clinic Follow Up	
March 28	2nd Grade Field Trip—Texas Roadhouse	
March 28	Texas Roadhouse Drive-Thru Fundraiser	
March 28	Kids at Hope	

VPK

This month, VPK explored the concept of travel and transportation. We discussed how we travel and where do we go. Students were able to compare and contrast past and present vehicles, identify traffic signs, and search for important details in text. We explored different transportation methods, as well as described ways to plan a trip. In phonics, we introduced the letters and sounds for E, R, and D. We also continued working on blending and deleting phonemes and blending onsite and rime to make words. In Math, students experimented with capacity and weight by using a scale and filling containers. Lately, we used our engineering skills to investigate movement using ramps and experimenting with speed and distance. It was a great month in VPK as students learned how to brainstorm, problem solve, and predict in various scenarios.

PTO

Our Valentines Candy Gram Fundraiser was a success. Thank you for your continued support to Bayshore Elementary.

Enjoy your Spring Break!

Join us for our PTO meeting March 8, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.!

SAC

This month the SAC committee met on February 14th @ 3:45 p.m. We reviewed the DAC committee minutes from January. Student Services presented at the DAC meeting. They shared all the services that are provided to students in St. Lucie Public Schools like Students with Disabilities, mental health services, suicide prevention, and i-Succeed just to name a few. Our committee discussed possible changes to our dress code, Comprehensive Counselor Plan, instructional plans for testing, and book recommendations/orders. Our next meeting is March 14, 2023 @ 3:45 p.m. If you would like more information about SAC, contact Kelly Reynolds at kelly.reynolds@stlucieschools.org.

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. Chronically absent includes missing just two days every month!

Please ensure that your child attends school every day and arrives on time.

Kindergarten

Kindergarten students have 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 numbers 11-20 and counting to 50 in math. We are looking forward to refreshing over spring break and coming back ready to learn more!

1st grade

In First Grade we completed our Winter Diagnostic for reading and math. The students will go to the i-Ready carnival if they made 50% growth in reading or math. In reading we are still learning about Story Elements. We have been reading stories and finding the characters, setting, and sequence of events. In math we were learning about measurement. In Social Studies we learned about Black History. We read about important people who helped make changes. In writing we have been learning how to write opinion pieces. Please remember to practice sight words, read books, and do math for homework.

Thank you for all your support!
The First Grade Team

2nd grade

Second grade is "Marching" to success with many academic and social skills in class. Reading will focus mainly on text features and central/main idea this month. Many text features such as illustrations/photographs, diagrams, captions, headings, maps, etc. help add additional information about the topic of the story. We continue to focus on weekly phonics and grammar skills such as building on root words, perfect past tense verbs, similes and more. In writing students will continue exploring and creating their own narrative stories, editing and revising them as needed along the way. In math students will begin to explore concepts of linear measurement and attributes of 2D shapes including polygons, hexagons and lines of symmetry. Our students will also be participating in a grade level field day on March 24th. All classes will enjoy relays, hula hoop activities, tug of war games and more. Please send your child with water, comfortable clothing and tennis shoes that day! Again, thank you for all of your continued support!

3rd grade

3rd Grade has been in full gear these past weeks learning about our remaining required benchmarks. Also, we have begun to review the benchmarks previously taught as we make final preparations for the FAST. Students will be taking the reading FAST in a few short weeks. Please make a point to review reading assignments as they come home, help your child make corrections to their work and explain their answers. In class, we have been focusing on text marking for reading. Students should be going back into the text and finding evidence to prove their answers. When they find details in the text, we underline or text mark where the answer is stated. Students should be able to show why they selected A instead of C or D. Please practice this strategy with your child at home. Most of the time, answers can be found right in the text. Students should LOOK BACK, reread, and find the correct answers. In math, please practice addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division fact families. Knowing basic facts will go a long way on the FAST. Being comfortable with the facts will save time. During Spring Break, students should log onto i-Ready and continue to practice skills and strategies they have been learning and reviewing in class. Also, they can log on to XtraMath.org and practice math fluency. The next six weeks prior to the reading FAST are critical as we strategically review and practice the tested standards. Thank you for your support!

4th grade

Fourth grade has been busy working and learning every day. Each day is a new challenge and new concepts being learned. Math classes have finished adding, subtracting, multiplying and comparing fractions. Currently, we are comparing, adding and subtracting numbers with decimals. Practicing this using money is a great tool to enforce these concepts. Next we will analyze data. In Social Studies, students spent February learning about important African Americans in our history. Next, we will focus on the world wars and how they impacted Florida. Science class is exploring motion of objects. In ELA we are continuing to evaluate characters based on their word, thoughts, and actions, being able to recognize text structure of non-fiction texts based on text features and signal words, and providing support and text evidence to author's claims within the text. Students are also continuing to use the writing process when writing argumentative (opinion) and expository (informational) essays. They are expected to be able to write a four-paragraph essay, complete with introduction, two body paragraphs where they will properly cite evidence from text and provide elaboration, and a conclusion. Students will complete in a FAST writing field test on April 11th and 12 where they will demonstrate their essay writing skills. There is so much learning going on and there are many ways to support your child at home.

5th grade

Our 5th graders have been working hard! In math, we are completing our Geometry unit on 2D and 3D Shapes as well as Volume, Mean, Median, and Mode. Our last unit will be on measurement conversions. The best way to support your child with our final unit is to pull out those recipes and make it a family affair in the kitchen! Cooking with recipes practices not only conversion skills, but also fractions.

In writing, students will be answering the question, "How does conflict shape a society?" They will be diving into writing a historical fictional narrative which will include learning about the American Revolutionary War. They will be doing so by reading, researching, and accessing their prior knowledge of an important turning point in American History—the U.S. War of Independence. Students will continue to understand the importance of conjunctions and punctuation in grammar.

South Florida living "If you don't like the weather right now give it an hour!!!" The year is moving fast, and our little scientists have learned so much. Our next unit is Earth Systems and Patterns. In this unit we will learn about the water cycle, weather, and climate zones. Do not forget to continue working on your science fair projects.

Lastly, we are already thinking "end of year celebrations!" Information and permission slips for our end of the year trip to Sea World went home with your child last month. The deadline for slips and money is April 28th. Payments can be made at www.schoolpay.com. We can't wait for a day of fun and learning!

Resource

This month in Art students will be creating their own characters and painting shamrocks. Art Club students are making tie dye and an Easter Egg paint pour. In Media last month students eagerly waited for our eggs to hatch and have enjoyed watching and reading about the baby chicks. Younger students will enjoy some Spring themed stories, Third and Fourth Grades are working on Math iReady, and Fifth Grade is participating in the Too Good for Drugs program. In Music younger students are studying rhythm and older students are learning how to play the recorders. In P.E. students are learning to play baseball. In STEM students are working on math operations and typing skills.

Yearbook

Time is running out! The 2022-2023 yearbooks are on sale now! Order yours now until March 31, 2022. The cost \$25 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: 13616923

March 2023

Positive Behavior Interventions Supports (PBIS)!!!

Our next PBIS event is BINGO on Friday, March 10th. Students will be able to participate in an exciting game of BINGO. They will be able to purchase one BINGO card for five Jazzy Cash (limit of two cards) through our very own PBIS store. Students exhibiting winning BINGO cards will have the option to select from a variety of prizes.

Good luck everyone! Please continue to encourage your child to follow the PBIS school-wide expectations to earn Jazzy Cash.



Be a part of our PBIS Bullying Prevention Campaign

As part of our PBIS campaign, we promote a safe school environment through our bullying prevention program. The first Friday of every month we invite all our students and staff to wear pink as part of our bullying prevention program. You can also support our program by purchasing our school spirit anti-bullying shirt available through Dragonfly Graphic's website at <https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/2122-school-spirit-shirts-on-hand/MdTr>

Show your pink by wearing a school appropriate PINK shirt on the following dates remaining this year:

- March 3
- April 7
- May 5



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 10th.



Please visit our school website for up-to-date and valuable information, such as links to transportation, Skyward family access, the St. Lucie meal application, and much more:

<http://schools.stlucie.k12.fl.us/bay>



Parent Pledge

I am an anchor parent. I believe that my child is talented, smart and capable of success. I am committed to helping my child reach their goals and dreams. I believe that my child will succeed, No Exceptions!

