



May/June 2022

End of Year Testing

Many grades will be participating in their end of the year testing coming up soon. Please do what you can at home to keep the nights before and mornings before these tests as calm as possible. Please ensure your student is on time on their testing dates. Ensure good rest and eating before these assessments and encourage your student to do their best. Our students have worked very hard and shown so much growth this year and we are very excited to see how they do.

We have some family learning nights coming up at the end of April. One for ESOL students specifically and the other for all students hosted by Mathnasium. Please see attachments and Upcoming dates section for more information.

Counseling Corner

This school year, we have noticed an increased need for social emotional learning activities with our students and also a need to support our students in the area of conflict management with peers. We need your help to continue to reinforce this learning over the summer. Please see attached list of 25 ideas for social emotional activities families can work on over the summer.

Reading Corner

Summer Reading

Set aside time for your student to read each day during the summer break -- 15 to 30 minutes per day is all it takes! During the summer, students have more time to read for enjoyment, which also offers a great opportunity to preserve and strengthen their reading skills. Your summer activities could include taking your children to the public library to check out books of interest and/or any summer reading groups they'd like to join.

Parents of students reading below grade level should read with their children in order to assist with sounding out words they might not be able to decode themselves. In addition, keep a dictionary or online source close by to help students figure out those words by using the phonetic spelling provided.

Children of all grade levels can improve their reading and spelling skills by learning affixes. Most multi-syllable words include prefixes and suffixes added to a base word. You can find a list of affixes and their meanings in a dictionary or in many online sources. To make this practice appealing, turn it into a game! Students can create flashcards of prefixes and suffixes. On the reverse side of each affix flash card, they should write the meaning. All children love

guessing games and can point out what they think the affix means. You can also use this game to help them learn new vocabulary words.

PTA Corner

There are still a couple of more days to buy Wooden Roses for Mother's Day. Orders are due by 4/23. Distribution will occur the week of 5/2.

Yearbooks are still available for sale for \$35. Please visit countryislespta.com to order.

We have a PTA meeting on 4/27 at 2:15pm. Elections for next year will take place at this meeting.

The final SAC/SAF meetings for the year will take place 4/25 and 5/23 at 2:15. Please feel free to join.

Upcoming Dates

4/25- SAC/SAF Meeting 2:15pm

4/26-4/27 Primary End of Year Reading Test (Grades 1-2)

4/26- ESOL ELA Family Game Night 6:00-7:30pm

**4/27- PTA Meeting and Elections- 8:15am
Mathnasium Night 6:00-7:30pm**

4/28- Take your Child to Work Day

5/3- Interim Report Issued (as needed)

5/4-5/5 FSA ELA (Grades 4-5)

5/10- 5/11 FSA Math (Grades 3-5)

5/17-5/18 FSA Science (Grade 5)

5/23- SAC/SAF Meeting 2:15pm

5/30- No School

6/9- Last Day- 12:00 Dismissal



