



Patriot Elementary School Newsletter

May 2017

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Principal's Corner

It is hard to believe that we are headed into May and all activities that go along with the end of the school year. We would like to thank you for joining us as partners this year supporting your child's learning as well as the support that you continually give to your students at home. Your support has been amazing and sends a powerful message to your child about the importance of learning and growing together. During the summer months, be sure to take time for learning, as you enjoy your family and every moment of the beautiful summer days ahead. We wish our Fifth Graders the best, as they move on to Middle School and look forward to the return of our current Kindergarten through Fourth Grade students. We will see you for the start of the 2017-2018 school year on August 10th!

Ms. Browder - Principal

Library News

The end of the school year is fast approaching. Please check at home for any Patriot Elementary books that your child is not currently reading and have not been returned during the school year.

Dates to remember:

Week of May 15th: Last week to check out books

May 22nd: All library books due back

May 22nd -26th: Media Center Closed for Inventory

If you are unable to locate your child's library book, the book may be paid for at the front office. This has been a fast and fun year. Please remember reading is an important part of summer vacation, be sure to visit your local library to keep reading through the summer.

EARLY DISMISSAL AND LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS

May 24th, 25th and 26th are half days with a dismissal time of 1:10PM.

The last day for students will be Friday, May 26th with an early release time of 1:10PM.

5th Grade Promotion

5th Grade families - be sure to mark your calendars on May 23rd. Our 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony will take place at Challenger Middle School at 6:00PM. We ask that students arrive by 5:30. No Additional information will be sent home in the coming days.

Dress/Attire: Sunday best

Girls: Dresses/skirts

Boys: Slacks -No jeans/shorts/t-shirts

Visit the Lee County Public Library Website for Summer Events happening our Cape Coral Public Library.

<http://www.leegov.com/library/kids>



Science Scoop

Mrs. VanCleve

Our Science Fair projects have been placed on the stage for school wide viewing. The work done this year was outstanding and by far our best year yet! Finalists will be notified this week about their opportunity to showcase the projects at the Science Fair Expo. All families and staff are encouraged to come to the Expo to support our Patriot students on May 13th, at the FSW Suncoast Arena from 9AM-12PM. We had a wonderful year of Science at Patriot and we hope that you will continue to work on keeping your Science skills sharp over the summer by visiting IXL.com and Compass Odyssey. Always remember to ask questions, explore, and learn about the world around you!

Have your child visit Compass at

<https://compasslogon.leeschools.net/> each night for 15-20 minutes as a great way to improve Reading skills and explore Science concepts.

Guidance Corner:

Vacations are a departure from daily stress and noise. It puts everyone in a different kind of mind space and focus. Daily chaos interrupts families from bonding with one another. Everyone is focused on their own deadlines, and schedules. Even if everyone is physically gathered together in the same room there are often electronic distractions connecting us to the internet while disconnecting us from the ones we love. We encourage you to create many precious memories together this summer. Families that embrace new adventures will share discoveries and experiences that will bond them together for a lifetime.



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A Note from Food and Nutrition Services

School's out. Free meals are in...

The School District of Lee County will be participating in the USDA Summer Food Service Program from June 5th of this year through July 28th. Participating sites will provide nutritious meals to kids and teens 18 and under. Meals are free. There are no income or registration requirements.

To find a location near you visit the school district website at www.leeschools.net, www.summerfoodflorida.org, Dial: 2-1-1 or Text: "FoodFL" to 877-877.



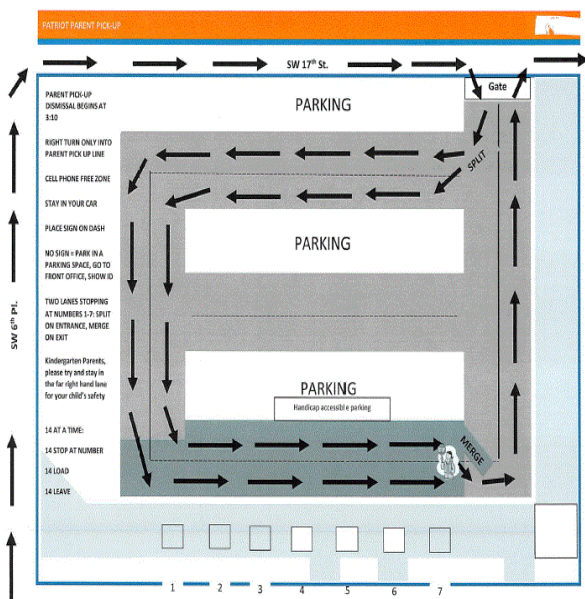
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 NEHS Ceremony 6-7	5	6
7	8 Vision Bus	9 5:00 SAC/6:00 PTO	10	11	12 Mother's Day Cakes Decorating 5 th Grade Field Trip	13
14 Mother's Day	Last week to check-out books 15th -19th				19 100% of QTR 4 AR Goal Due	20
21	22 All books turned in to the Media Center	23	24	25	26 End of 4th QTR Report Card Day Last Day of School	27
	Media Center Closed for Inventory 22 nd -26 th		Early Dismissal Days 24 th -26 th 1:10			
28	29 Memorial Day Schools Closed	30 Professional Duty Day	31			

END OF THE YEAR SAFETY REMINDERS

Because of large number of parents and children arrive at school at the same time Parent Pick-Up and Drop off present a safety hazards when safety measure are not followed. To reduce traffic hazards while dropping off or picking up your child please be sure that you adhere to our safety processes.



Reminders

- ~ Follow the traffic flow that is located on the back of your child's parent Pick-up tag.
- ~ Reduce your speed into and as you move through the school parking lot.
- ~ Never attempt to cut in front of another vehicle.
- ~ Do not park or leave your vehicle unattended in the drop off/pick up lanes (park your vehicle in a designated parking spot and come in).
- ~ Do not park across the street and have your child cross the street
- ~ Do not impede traffic flow by double parking
- ~ Explain to your child why it's important to exit from the safe side of the vehicle (right side). If necessary relocate the car seat, so that your child may exit safely – the right side.
- ~ If your child is late to school, escort your child to the front office and sign he/she in. Do not drop them off at the front entrance.

Mark your calendars...

August 10th: First Day of School 2017-2018 School Year

