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Ft. Belvoir Elementary School & PTO Newsletter

May 2009

Principals Corner

All parents should have received a letter and email message regarding the upcoming boundary process. The information meeting will be held on May 5th. Please plan to attend and bring your questions. You can also send in questions on the county's website. It is important for you to participate so we can identify the best possible solution to our building capacity situation.

Jane Wilson
Principal
Ft Belvoir ES



For Additional Assistance Call: 703-781-2708

Upcoming Dates

- MAY 4 Band Concert 7-8:00pm
- MAY 5 Boundary Change Meeting 7:00pm @ Woods Theater
- Domino's Restaurant Night
- MAY 7 2nd Grade Concert, 7pm
- MAY 11 Popcorn/Lollypop Friday
- Strings Concert 7-8:00pm
- MAY 13 Kindergarten Orientation 6:20-8:00pm
- MAY 14 Last Day for School Store
- MAY 15 Popcorn/Lollypop Friday
- MAY 18-JUNE 5 SOLs
- MAY 22 Spring Carnival 6-8:30pm
- NO Popcorn/Lollypop SALES
- MAY 25 NO School Memorial Day
- Popcorn/Lollypop Friday
- Box Tops Due
- MAY 29 Kindergarten Performance "BUGZ" – Blanco, Edwards, Sturtz, Tumbarello & Benton 6-8:00pm
- JUN 5 Kindergarten Performance "Fish" – Conley, Deville, LeBlanc & Wright 6-8:00pm
- School Kidz orders Due
- JUN 10 Chorus Concert 7-8:00pm
- JUN 11 Field Day~5th & 6th Grades 9:30am
- Field Day~Kindergarten & Some 1st Grades (Phillips, Crowley, Torregano, Delgado, Romaine and Vereen) 1:15pm
- Barns and Nobles Family Night 5:30-8:30
- JUN 12 Field Day~3rd & 4th Grades 9:30am
- Field Day~2nd & Some 1st Grades (Vinson, Shafer, Kilingsmith, Stein, Lee, McDaniel, Robles and Waddell) 1:15pm
- JUN 17 6th grade promotion ceremony/dance 6-10:00pm
- JUN 18 Last Day of School

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FBES Spring Carnival will be on **May 22nd from 6-8:30pm**. There will be Games with Prizes, Party Bouncers and Food! Bracelets offer unlimited game play. Presales will begin May 1st. Bracelets will be \$8 presale and \$10 at the door. Food tickets will be 5/\$1 presale and 4/\$1 at the door. Anyone interested in helping out with the event, please contact Cassie Bonnette at fbptocommunications@gmail.com And for more info visit our website at fbpto.org

SOL Testing Calendar

On all testing dates the test will begin at 9:30 am.

May 18 th	May 19 th	May 20 th	May 21 st	May 22 nd
Grade 3 Reading #1	Grade 3 Reading #2	Grade 5 Reading	Grade 3 Social Studies Grade 6 Reading	No Testing
May 25 th Holiday	May 26 th No Testing	May 27 th Grade 5 Science	May 28 th Grade 6 Social Studies	May 29 th Grade 3 Science
June 1 st Grade 4 Social Studies	June 2 nd Grade 3 Math	June 3 rd Grade 5 Math	June 4 th Grade 4 & 6 Math	June 5 th Make ups
June 8 th Tests are due in testing office				

Elections for the 09-10 PTO Board

The Elections for the 09-10 PTO Board were held April 16, 2009. Those who were elected are:

- President Jamie Marshall
- VP Membership Jen Riley
- Co VP Fundraising Laurel-Lee States
- Co VP Fundraiser Sarah Greene
- VP Volunteers Cassie Bonnette
- VP Communication Elaine Evans
- Treasurer Stephanie Ratton
- Secretary Shelly Icardi

The PTO is looking for a few good volunteers. We need committee chairs for next school year. The positions that are available are:

Fall Book Fair, Spirit Wear, Fall Festival, Family Activity Night, Popcorn/ Lollypop Fridays, Holiday Market, Box Tops, Campbell's, Tyson's, Spring Spirit Wear, Spring Book Fair, Spring Carnival, School Kidz

We will be sending out a flyer with details concerning these positions. If you would be interested in one of these positions for next school year please contact Jamie Marshall at FBPTOPresident@gmail.com



Project ExCELLS – L.F.F.T



Monticello trip on Saturday, May 2nd is FULL.

Summer Book Mobile will kick off in July and the schedule will soon follow.

KISS Preschool Parent/Child Program will be back in May.

For more information or questions about these programs please contact Nancy Rowland, Project Coordinator Project ExCELLS at 703-781-2767.

Field Day

Field Days are coming. They will be on **June 11th and 12th**

Be sure to check your schedules and sign up to volunteer to assist on the field. Classroom teachers will soon be sending out notices for parents to sign up for the Field Day date that they can assist in. The grades and dates of the field days are:



June 11th (with rain-date June 15th): 9:30 - All 5th and 6th graders; 1:15 - All Kindergarteners & following first grade classes (Phillips, Crowley, Torregano, Delgado, Romaine, Vereen)

June 12th (with rain-date June 16th): 9:30 - All 3rd and 4th graders; 1:15 - All 2nd graders & the following first grade classes (Vinson, Shafer, Klingensmith, Stein, Lee, McDaniel, Robles, Waddell)

Fort Belvoir 2009 Science Fair Winners

Biology

- 1st - Andrew McDowell – Schuh
- 2nd - Maggie Heltzel – Belton – Bates
- 3rd - Jordan Willett - Belton – Bates
- 4th - Kenny Kercado – Barber



Engineering / Physics

- 1st – Austin Eich – Eilers
- 2nd - Dallas Shelton -Schuh
- 3rd - Andrew McVeigh – Barber
- 4th - Kelsey Duffy - Carr

Chemistry

- 1st - Breannah Patterson - Eilers
- 2nd - Jelton Alfonso - Schuh
- 3rd - Jon Jasper - Eilers
- 4th – Julia Minnich - Carr

Behavioral / Social Science

- 1st - Anthony Olivarez – Tomai
- 2nd - Taylor Williams – Carr
- 3rd - Reagan Holmes – Schuh
- 4th – Erika Richardson – Carr

Environment Art Contest

Clark Realty Capital, LLC recently held an Environmental Art Contest to depict native plants, local birds, landscapes, water bodies, wildlife, insects, and butterflies-anything that

has to do with nature to raise eco-friendly awareness for Earth Day. The winners of this contest were recognized at Fairfax Village Neighborhood Center. Each winner received \$200 savings bond, certificate, their artwork framed to be displayed in the Fairfax Village Neighborhood Center.



Here are the winners of the contest:

Kindergarten

- Francesca Mengal – Wright
- Rachel Spade – Wright

1st Grade

- Abbie Mason – Stein

2nd Grade

- Adara Micallef – Mayers

3rd Grade

- Kamren Kemp – Hawkins

4th Grade

- Sarah Bosley – Maynard

5th Grade

- Rachel Sutton – Peterson

6th Grade

- Andrew McDowell – Schuh
- Angelica Villafare (Honorable Mention - \$100 savings bond) - Eilers

Lost & Found

Please take a moment to go through the lost and found. All clothing items will be donated on May 15th.

Mt. Vernon Pyramid Art Show

On Friday, April 24, 2009 at Mount Vernon High School there was a night to celebrate the arts. In attendance were several schools in the area (all levels) and the show included the performing arts. It was a great honor to have selected art work from students at Fort Belvoir Elementary School.



Here are the students whose art work was selected to be in the Mt. Vernon Pyramid Art Show:

Mr. Weiss Art Class:

Jake Carlsen, Sarah Borel, Miquel Castro, Kade Ramsey, Sarah Acuff, Andrew O'Mara, Etalia Graves

Ms. Simick's Art Class:

Kerry Smith, Cooper Smith, Morgan Haas, Caroline Prekker, Ashlee Phillips, Gia White, Olivia Quintana

Mrs. Smith's Art Class:

Sarah Donnelly, Iain McVeigh, Ann Judi Martin, Dahue Campbell, Noah LaValle, Alex Lindgren, Sam Harris

Fundraisers

Barnes and Noble

Our Barnes and Noble fundraiser has had a date change. The date has been moved to June 11th, 5:30-8:30, at the Springfield location. More information on this event will be coming to you next month.



School Kitz

School Kidz is a Teacher Tailored School Supply Kit Program and is the perfect solution to your child's back-to-school needs. Each kit is personalized with your child's name, grade and school name. Inside each kit you will find the supplies that were provided by your child's school supply list and approved by their teachers. Each kit also contains added extra's to help personalize your child's kit even more! Due to a Change in the Kindergarten Orientation date and other unseen delays School Kidz will now be due JUNE 5, 2009. The kits will arrive at the school at the open house the week before school starts. Expect order forms to come home in the next few weeks. If you have any questions feel free to contact a member of the PTO Board.

Box Tops



Last chance to get your Box Tops in will be May 29th. Thank you to those who have supported this program all year.

Restaurant Night



Due to a scheduling conflict, Domino's night has been moved to May 5th. Please note this change. And don't forget to fill out your Dominos ticket for the delivery person.

Teacher Appreciation Week

Teacher Appreciation week is **May 4- May 8**. This week gives us the opportunity to show our gratitude for all that the Ft. Belvoir teachers/staff do for our children! Following is a suggested schedule of a simple, inexpensive idea for the kids to do each day if they desire.



MON, MAY 4 Appreciation Day: Bring a personal note beginning with "I appreciate my Teacher because.."

TUE, MAY 5 Flower Power Day: Flower Power Day. Bring in a seed package a single flower or a picture of a flower.

WED, MAY 6 Heart Healthy Day: Bring in a piece of fruit.

THU, MAY 7 School Supply Day: Bring in a dry erase marker a package of paper, box of staples or anything teachers seem to run out of.

FRI, MAY 8 Sweet Nothings: Bring in something sweet: candy, baked goods, etc.

If your child would like to, feel free to include "SPECIALS" teachers (Art, Music, PE, or other staff etc.), as well.

School Store

The School Store sells a variety of things, pencils, pens, water bottles, etc. You can purchase FBES water bottles and magnets for \$5 each. The last day for the School Store will be May 14th. Until then, our hours will be Tuesday and Thursday, 9:05 – 9:20.