

# SPRING April 2019 Newsletter



Dear Families,

Welcome to Spring! This is an awesome time of the year to be in Florida. As we begin our state testing for grades 3-6, we will continue with activities, learning, and fun. This month is filled with many ways to say THANK YOU to our staff, teachers, families, parents, and students. What an uplifting time of the year. One of my favorite quotes from Dr. Maria Montessori is, "One test of the correctness of educational procedure is the happiness of the child." From *(What You Should Know About Your Child)*. I am fortunate to be able to see this daily with our students and staff. Smiles are abundant here each and every day. Thank you for helping your child to begin the day with a hug, a smile, and words of encouragement. I would like to personally thank each and everyone associated with our two schools for all they do to promote learning, fun, activities, and support. A school without their volunteers is a lonely place.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Turner  
Principal



Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>  
Grade 3 Field Trip to  
Port Canaveral to study import  
and export and transportation.  
Registered volunteers will help  
on this self-guided tour of the  
locks, fish market, exploration  
tower, and Jetty Park.



Congratulations to  
our families in  
Kindergarten! They  
returned the most parent  
surveys! The students  
earned a dress down pass  
and frozen treat. You may  
continue to turn in the  
surveys to the office.  
Students will have an  
opportunity to fill out one  
this month. Your opinion is  
important to us.

Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>  
Grade 4 Field Trip to  
Long Point Park to study in  
depth the Indian River Lagoon  
with staff from the Brevard  
Zoo. Registered volunteers  
are needed to drive, get in the  
water with students and help  
collect specimen for  
observations that day.



April 12<sup>th</sup> - Family Appreciation Night and Talent Show!



Join us on Friday, April 12th from 6-8 for dinner together as we say "Thank you" to all of our volunteers this year for helping to support our school. Return the attached flier and let us know you will be there. Students are encouraged to share their talent with us that evening. A fun social event sponsored by our PTO. If you can help, please let Candice ([shannystwin@gmail.com](mailto:shannystwin@gmail.com)) know. This is always a fun event! We will also name our Volunteer of the year at this time. Nominate someone through [pto@educationalhorizons.net](mailto:pto@educationalhorizons.net)



Florida State Assessments (FSA) for grades 3-6.....April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> will be our first of the exams administered by the state. Please make sure your child is at school on time, rested, and had a healthy breakfast. It is important for them to be prepared and ready on these days. Every student is required to take these assessments at this time. We say FSA stands for "Florida Students are Awesome!" Find more information at: [fsassessments.org](http://fsassessments.org)

We will be closed on Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> to allow families to celebrate together. Interims go home on Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> for all grades. If you have not met with your child's teacher this year, we encourage you to make an appointment to talk about progress. Call the office to secure your time.

Spirit Day led by room 8, grades 1 & 2 will be Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00. Join us as we begin the month with our school spirit! Go Manatees! Winners of the Jog-a-thon and Pennies for PTO will be announced at this time! Do you have ideas on how to spend our money? Let us know at [pto@educationalhorizons.net](mailto:pto@educationalhorizons.net) so we can make decisions. Thank you for your continued support of our organization. As we are getting to the end of our two year commitment, think about joining the PTO board next year! See you at the meeting 6:30 on April 9<sup>th</sup>. Child care available for 3 years old and up.



NEW faces on campuses. Officer Popa has been asked to return to the road beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>. The W Melbourne Police department has entered a new agreement with us to supply officers to our school daily. Please help us to welcome them and show them courtesy and respect by wearing your volunteer or visitor badge. Remember visitors are escorted by our staff and volunteers need a purpose to be on the campus. Welcome them to our school!

**TEACHER AND STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK      APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup> - 26<sup>TH</sup>      MONDAY TO FRIDAY**

Look for ways to help let our teachers and staff know they are appreciated for the many hours of hard work they do at school and after hours to prepare for our students. There will be themed activities and opportunities for you to say "thank you" in your own way. If you want to join in the planning, contact Rolicia and let her know you can! We have set up a sign up genius plan. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0C4EAAAF23A7FE3-teacher>



Registration packets will go home this week for the new school year. We will send a packet for each child that needs to be returned. There will be a packet for the family to keep at home with supply list, uniform, lunch and other important information. Look for it in the YOUNGEST child's backpack by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Thank you for taking TIME to fill the papers out completely and neatly so we can use the information for registration and communication. If you have any concerns or questions, call Eileen in the office and she will help you. We are making plans now based on re-enrollment and our new families.