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IMPORTANT DATES

- May 11th - Mommy & Son Dance
- May 16th - PTO/SAC Meeting 6:30 P.M.
- May 18th - Muffins with Mom
- May 22nd- Kindergarten Awards
- May 23rd - Award Ceremony - Grades 1st-4th
- May 24th-26th - Early Dismissal- 1:10 P.M.
- May 26th - Last Day of School

SAVE THE DATE

COMING UP

Principal's Pen - A Teacher's Poem

There's a special pride in teachers, and a love for what you do. And appreciation's always shared between those little lives and you!

Please take the time this month to say "thanks" to a teacher.



Student Leader Blog

Hello! I am Bailey Flanagan and I am in the gifted 5th grade. My favorite subjects are reading and math. Truthfully, when I started 5th grade, I was scared. By the middle of the year, I wasn't scared anymore. Now, I am feeling great and I am going to miss all of my friends when I go to middle school. When I think of Middle School, I am scared and anxious and excited all at the same time. My favorite field trip was when I went to the Everglades. The coolest thing about the Everglades was that we got to interact with a lot of wild life. I am excited to go to Busch Gardens because we I love roller coasters and rides. Fifth grade was an awesome experience!

Awards Ceremony Schedule

- May 22nd -Kindergarten- 9:30-10:45 A.M.
- May 23rd - Awards Ceremony 1st-4th Grade:
 - 1st Grade - 9:15-10:00 A.M.
 - 2nd Grade - 1:45 -2:30 P.M.
 - 3rd Grade - 12:30-1:15 P.M.
 - 4th Grade - 10:15-10:45 A.M.
- May 25th- 5th Grade Graduation- 6:00 P.M.—North Ft. Myers High School



Book Battle

Every year in Florida, 15 recently published books are chosen as Sunshine State Books, considered to be some of the best books for students in grades 3-5. The "Book Battle" is a competition among the elementary schools in Lee County, held May 19th. We have six students representing our school.



Music at Tropic Isles

It's a great year to be at Tropic Isles, especially for music. Here are the upcoming activities:

REHEARSALS

- Singing Sea Stars – May 11
- Drum Circle – May 10
- Drum Circle & Singing Sea Stars Dress Rehearsal – May 17

REMINDER: PARENT PICK UP IS ON THE BUS RAMP AT 4:15 P.M. SHARP.

RECORDERS IN THE CLASSROOM

Recorder testing will begin for 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students. If your child does not have a recorder, they can purchase one from Mrs. Hamilton for \$3.00.

ONGOING MUSIC PROJECTS

Slide Presentation on a famous musician, singer or band for 4th and 5th grade – Due May 12

- May 18 – END OF YEAR PERFORMANCE and Celebration** for all 2016-2017 Music clubs
- May 21 – SINGING SEA STARS** perform at Fort Myers Miracles Baseball Game at 4:00 p.m.
- May 24 & 25 – 2nd Annual Talent Show**
- Audition Permission slips available & due by APRIL 28
- Auditions will be held MAY 1 – 12

SPECIAL THANKS

Special thanks to all parents, teachers, office staff and our amazing students for making this year's music program a success.



ATTENTION ALL MOMS!!!



Our annual celebration of one of the most important people in our children's lives will be held on **Thursday, May 18, 2017 from 7:30-8:15am**. Please join us for "Muffins with Moms". A flyer will be sent home with an RSVP for you to return. Please be sure to respond so that we know how much food to order.

READ-A-THON

Thank you to all families and staff members who helped to make our February Read-a-Thon such a success! With everyone's combined help, we were able to raise over \$2,000 to purchase new books and resources for our Media Center. By now, all students who participated and spent their RatBucks should have received their prizes. Again, we appreciate all of the help and support during this year's Read-a-Thon, and we are excited to raise even more money for our Media Center through next year's Read-a-Thon.



Florida Standardized Assessment (FSA) testing for grades 3rd- 5th has begun and will continue through the month of May. Below is the schedule of tests and dates:

3rd grade:
Math - May 3rd and 4th

5th grade:
Science- May 2nd & 3rd
Math- May 9th and 10th



Please make sure your child gets a good night sleep the night before, arrives on time, and eats a good breakfast.



EDUCATION

Night

May 16th 5:00-7:00

Hands-on science activities

Math games

Musical performances

Visit the star-lab

THIRD GRADE NEWS

It's amazing that the school year is quickly coming to an end and our Third Graders are working hard to end it on a high note. The students have been working diligently acquiring all the necessary skills to be successful! They are excited to demonstrate their Mathematical skills on the final portion of the Florida State Assessment on May 3rd and 4th.

In order to perform well on the assessment, we recommend a good night sleep and a hearty breakfast on these two days. In addition, students are looking forward to sharing their Science Fair Projects, which are due on May 11, 2017. They are excited about having their work showcased in the school's STEAM Night on May 16, 2017. Finally, all hard work and dedication deserves a reward! What better reward, then going on a class trip. On May 19, 2017 the Third Graders will be going to see "DISNEY ON ICE," an ice skating performance of stories students enjoy reading and characters they make connections with, as well as comparing and contrasting settings, plot, and themes. Now, that's the way to go!

LEADER IN ME

As we move forward with learning and practicing our Leader in Me, we are asking you to please take the time to complete the following survey. This will help us determine our next steps and our current progress.

Thank you for your help!

<https://theleaderinmeonline.org/assessments/assessment/>



STAR HARBOR SUMMER PROGRAM

The Tropic Isles Star Harbor Program provides sponsored supervision for our students. This program emphasizes cooperative learning and enrichment activities. The program this summer will begin on **May 31st** and the last day will be **July 28th**. Our hours will be Monday through Friday from **7:00 A.M.** until **6:00 P.M.** Experienced personnel who are employed by Lee County Schools will run the program.

The students will participate in well-planned, organized activities, such as: field trips, computer instruction, games, sports, and arts & crafts. An application can be obtained at the front office. All students must have an enrollment form before they can start the program. A \$40 registration fee per family is due at the time of enrollment. The fee per child, which will include breakfast, lunch and certain field trips is \$100. There is a \$20 discount for siblings.



Sunshine State Readers



On Friday, May 12th, we will be celebrating all of the students who worked hard to read books from the Sunshine State Reader list. Approximately 20 students will come back to school at 6pm for a sleepover event where they will participate in games, win prizes, eat dinner, and watch a late-night movie then spend the night sleeping in our Media Center. We are so excited for what is in store for these 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders!

Math Team News



Good luck to the Tropic Isles Math Team! The fifth graders will be competing against other schools on May 6. The competition will include individual and team events. This year's team includes **Araf Hossain, Hector Zamot, Christina Rivera, Dominick Bardzel, and Katie Eaton.**

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.



The School District of Lee County values your opinion. Please help us in our efforts to serve you better by taking a brief online survey. You may access the survey at this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/V6NKCN6>