

## Lake Orienta Elementary



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Dear Penguin Families,

We hope that all of you enjoyed your spring break! We have entered the last 9 weeks of the school year and it has been a very busy one so far. The most important information for today is that we start the Florida Standards Assessment tomorrow, Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> with 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Reading and grades 4 and 5 will take their FSA Writing Assessment. Third graders will finish their reading assessment on Wednesday, April 3. I know that Mrs. Saintil will have more information in our newsletter but I really wanted to emphasize that we need 100% attendance for grades 3-5 on these days. Part of our school grade is awarded based on our percentage of students tested. If we do not test at least 95% of our eligible students, we are automatically dropped to the grade below, regardless of our point total. Please help us achieve this goal by sending your child to school on time.

Thank you to all who attended our FSA Boost Camp on Saturday, March 30. The teachers and students worked very hard for this last preparation before testing begins. Third graders will take their Math FSA and Grades 4 and 5 will take their FSA in reading and math the first week of May. If your child is in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, or 5<sup>th</sup> grade, we have FSA Boost Camp scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2019 from 8:30 – 11:30 am. The registration form is on the back of this newsletter. Snacks will be provided but we do need for parents to provide their own transportation to and from school, if you would like for your child to attend. We have some fun but academic activities planned to help us better prepare our students for success on the FSA. Please consider sending your child to our FSA Boost Camp.

We need your help! On Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, we will host a campus clean-up and beautification project from 8:30 – 11:30am. This has been organized with support of our wonderful PTA and we just need as many hands as possible to make a difference on our large campus.

Thanks again to our PTA for their fun-filled Spring Carnival on Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. A good time was had by all who attended!

Donna Weaver, Principal

Welcome back Lake O. Families,

I hope that everyone has had a restful but yet enjoyable Spring Break. As we gear up to complete the school year, we are excited to announce that our teachers have been working really hard to prepare our students for success on the end of the year assessments in all grade levels. Although, these assessments only measure certain levels and types of student intelligence, we are working hard to ensure that all of our students “Make One Year’s Growth in One Year’s Time.”

As mentioned earlier, the testing season has begun. We would like to share some helpful tips that you can use to ensure that your child is prepared to succeed.

- Get a good night’s rest
- Eat a nutritious and filling breakfast
- Review key concepts and skills (speak to the school about available resources)
- Be on time to school EVERYDAY
- Have a positive and uplifting conversation with your child the night prior and morning of the test

Please feel free to reach out to us with any questions or concerns.

Yours in education,

Sandra Saintil, Assistant Principal

## News from Around Our School

### **A message from Mr. Paul:**

April's **Key to Character** is **FAIRNESS**. Students are gaining an understanding of how equity, equality and consistency applied in all situations can increase students' tolerance and appreciation for diverse groups.

### **A message from the Reading Department:**

Our spring book fair was a huge success! Thank you to all of the families that were able to participate. The money that we made by hosting the book fair will go back to reading initiatives to support our students.

Over spring break, students were encouraged to read and/or go on i-Ready. Thank you to all the students who kept track of the days they were able to get some reading practice done on their "**Spring Break Reading Log**." All logs turned in were entered into a drawing. 2 winners per grade level were awarded prizes and their names were on the announcements.

Mary Debonville and Toni Harrell

### **Housekeeping item:**

- Please use the designated student drop-off area in front of the two story building.
- Students need to follow the dress code provided in the Code of Conduct.
- Good school attendance is connected to future success. Please speak to guidance or administration if you need help in this area.

### **Award Ceremony dates in May:**

20 Awards: **Grade 3 @ 9am & Grade 1 @ 11am**

21 Awards: **Grade 4 @ 9am & Grade 2 @ 12pm**

22 Awards: **Grade 5 @ 9am & Grade K @ 12pm**



## Calling all Penguins Parents:

Calling All Penguins!! 5th Grade Celebration Donations!!

We are currently accepting the following donations:

Cases of bottled water (16 oz size, please!)

Candy

Snack bags of chips

\*\*\*Donations are on a voluntary basis and we appreciate all your support as we plan this special day for our 5th graders. Thank you!\*\*\*

## \*\*Upcoming 2019-2020 Kindergartners\*\*

On April 4, 2019 we will begin Kindergarten Registration for the 2019-2020 school year. Only on April 4th we will be open from 7am- 7pm for registration. After April 4th we will continue to have registration during the hours of 8am -2:30pm.



### Upcoming Events:

**April 4: Kindergarten Round Up 7am-7pm**

**April 13: School Beautification 8:30am -11:30pm**