

Anona Elementary School

100% Student Success

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents,

As we approach the end of this school year, I would like to thank everyone who has helped to make this year a success. Our students, staff, volunteers, and parents have been extremely helpful, and we appreciate your support. During the final weeks of school various classes and clubs have plans to end the year by celebrating all that your child has accomplished.

This is also the time that we begin planning for the upcoming school year. Soon we will begin forming recommended classes for the 2018/2019 school year. We use a number of criteria to help us with the process including: balances in gender, language proficiency, and academic levels to name a few. This important process does not include parent requests. We spend hours in an effort to make the best possible matches to ensure success for every child.

Could your child benefit from extra learning opportunities over the summer? Enrollment for Summer Bridge is underway. Summer Bridge offers learning opportunities for students during the summer to prevent learning losses and promote learning gains. Summer Bridge is designed for students who are not performing on grade level or needing additional help to stay on track. The program provides engaging, hands-on enrichment activities and intensive instruction to ensure students are prepared for maximum success when the new school year begins. Summer Bridge programs will run Monday through Thursday from June 5 – July 19. Parents of students who are performing below grade level already received invitations for their children to participate. Please contact the school if you did not receive an invitation and think your child could benefit from Summer Bridge. Parents can register online using the Student Reservation System

at <u>https://</u> reservation.pcsb.org.

Summer Bridge locations and the latest information can be found on the district's Summer Bridge website, www.pcsb.org/ summerbridge.

• Last day to bring backpacks to school on Friday, May 18.

- <u>Dismissal on the</u> last day of school is an early release day, Thursday, May 24, is 12:35 p.m.
- 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony will be held Thursday, May 23rd 9am- 10am in the cafeteria followed by the 5th grade celebration!
- Report cards will be sent home with students at the end of the day.
- If your child is absent, you can pick your child's report card up in the office before June 6th or after July 23rd.
- Student State Assessment scores are usually released early June and can be view in Parent Portal.



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<u>Principal</u> Ann Welsh

Assistant Principal Stephanie Wager

Important Dates 5/7-

- 5/11 Teacher appreciation week
- 5/10 iMoms and All Pro Dads Breakfast,
- 7:35am Media Center
- 5/10SAC Meeting 8:30am5/11Mother's Day Cake
- Decorating 1pm Cafeteria
- 5/17 5th Annual Science Extravaganza!
- 5/17 Field Day KG and 1st 5/18 Field Day 2nd –5th
- Grade 5/24 Last day for school Dismissal 11:35 for

students

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Pinellas County Schools is an Equal Opportunity Employer. • Our Meet the Teacher and event will be Friday August 10th. Class lists will be posted in the café prior to families stopping by classrooms. PreK-2nd 10am-11am and 3rd-5 1pm-2pm (This is a great time to drop off classroom supplies, sign up to volunteer, sign up for after school clubs and meet other parents)

- The first day of school, next year will be Monday August 13th.
- <u>School hours next year, will be 8:45-2:45 Monday through Friday.</u>

• Our front office summer hours will be communicated by recorded phone message on the main school line 727-588-4730 and posted on the front office door beginning 5/28.

Teacher assignments will be posted in Parent Portal Thursday, August 9th

Open House will be announced at a later time on our school website

https://www.pcsb.org/anona-es.

- Grade Level suggested Supply Lists will be communicated by the teachers.
- Please make sure that we have an updated phone number and address for you so that you will receive all communications.

All parent volunteers are required to reactivate each school year beginning August 1st.

Parents, as we wrap up this school year, please continue to support our efforts in teaching and learning by having your child at school every day and on time. Teaching and learning will continue until the last day of school.

Thank you, have a terrific summer! And Gooooooo Eagles!!

- Mrs. Welsh

5th Annual Science Extravaganza



Mark your calendars! Our 5th annual Science Extravaganza is on May 17th from 6-7:30pm. You won't want to miss this exciting night of science that includes exhibits from Clearwater Marine Aquarium, McGough Nature Park, Seminole Middle School Robotics Club, our own Anona Elementary STEM clubs and more! Anona Elementary individual and class projects will be show-

Thank You for Your Support!

Anona United Methodist Church
Coffee Mill
Village Inn
Indian Rocks Publix
Pizza Hut

Fifth Third Bank Clearwater Marine Aquarium Tropical Smoothie Café SLYCE pizza bar Christ Presbyterian Church of Largo Jimmy John's Smoothie King Homeowners Association of Indian Rocks Beach

Behavior Bits

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School's Out for

Enjoy your Summer Break!



Summer For 180 days a year, we have taught students to express their feelings in appropriate ways, ignore peers who are not following directions, deal with their anger, and how to cope with stressful situations. As a parent, you are the most influential person in your children's lives. Modeling problem solving skills, working through family issues, or staying calm when frustrated has a positive influence on the behavior of everyone in the family. Here are 5 tips that you can do that will help your child throughout the summer months.

1. Stay on the sidelines of sibling arguments and help your children learn to appropriately express their negative feelings. "I feel" statements are a great tool for kids to learn. It teaches them to verbally express their feelings in positive ways rather than acting out.

2. Discipline: Children crave consistency, routine, rules, and consequences. This gives them a sense of security that only you as the parent can provide. Children who live in a predictable and consistent environment often have good self-esteem because they learn what is expected and receive attention and praise for making smart behavioral choices. Consistency is the key. For example "Every time I throw a fit in the store, Mom or Dad will leave the store." If you give in once, it's like a slot machine that pays off. Winning once is addicting. If the slot machine never paid, no one would ever put money in.

3. Having rules posted and visible is important. It focuses the child on the rule and takes you the parent out of the argument. When the child breaks a rule, the parent can point to the rule and ask, "What is the rule?" Rules must be clearly stated and reasonable for the child's age and developmental level. Family Rules art is very trendy right now. You can find them almost anywhere and hang them up right on the wall.

4. Choose consequences that fit, in other words make the punishment fit the crime. This focuses the child on the rule that was broken and helps them grow. For instance, coming home late from a friend's house should result in your child not being able to go to his friend's house the next day. Taking away a trip to the amusement park as the punishment does not help the child learn to come home on time.

5. Praise is imperative. Look for the good in your child and praise it often. Also work to build your child's self-esteem through positive acclamation, such as "I love you because you're my son, but I really like you because you're you." Messages like these really help in building selfesteem, especially when they are unearned and spontaneous. Your child always will appreciate them.

- Mrs. Calder

Counselor Corner

Congratulations to our April and May character kids!

April-Self Control-Managing your emotions and choosing acceptable behavior.

May-Caring-Being kind, friendly, considerate and willing to listen, give and share.

April Character Kids-Self Control

PK-Nibert/Bryant-Grant Galish

K-Rice-Mia Lekens, McCord-Dalex Barrett, Mayotte-Jayleene Dominique, Robinson-Aislynn Acevedo

1st grade-Billiris-Raydn Plummer, Bellack-Kody Raper, Hubbard-Drake Fogelsonger, McHugh-Raiden Xa

2nd grade-Mello-Izzy Phelps, Woltil-Yuri Sanders, Beckman-Madison Garrett, Theriault-Haylee Stanton, Toenjes-Savannah Streets

3rd grade-Clanton-Antawn Sands, Kanellopoulos-Jamie Hager, Koenig-Morgan Ankwiz,

Mazariegos-Aaliyah Swartz, Hawk-Kaiya Jamison

4th grade-Stargel-Logan Greene, Gaudreau-Ethan Ronan,

5th grade-Black-Michaela Hettinger-Demillion, Lee-Venus Nguyen, Mercado-Morgan Newbanks, Grimmer-Gino Perez

May Character Kids-Caring

PK-Nibert/Bryant-Liam Bailey

K-Rice-Jaionna Scott, McCord-Nadia Leslie, Mayotte-Hanna Ahmed, Robinson-Summer Schurman

1st grade-Billiris-CJ Forman, Bellack-Briella Kindberg, Hubbard-Jonalyn Hiers, McHugh-Weston Crockett

2nd grade-Mello-Nova Tropf, Woltil-Donovan Irwin-Cuttler, Beckman-Andrew Francois,

Theriault-MacKenzie Pavlich, Toenjes-Layla Lewis

3rd grade-Clanton-VonRussell Warque, Kanellopoulos-BJ Philippe, Koenig-Destany Simon,

Mazariegos-Layla Coulter, Hawk-Jazmine Jackson

4^{tth} grade-Stargel-Eva Kohler, Gaudreau-Eden Storz

5th grade-Black-Savannah Smith, Lee-Aaliyah Lopez, Mercado-Emiliano Felix-Discussion,

Grimmer-Lilyana Scott

Attendance reminders: As the school year winds down, please continue to have your child in school and on time

daily. The doors open at 8:20. Breakfast is available at no charge to all students.

Attend Today-Achieve Tomorrow!

Online resources for parents:

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/

Have you checked out this site? Do you have questions about what types of media are most age appropriate for your child? Common Sense Media is an excellent resource for parents in this digital world that we live in. You might be surprised what you can learn about movies, games and shows your children are watching or begging to watch. Common Sense Media takes the guessing out of what is appropriate for our children

A note from Mrs. Beck, Cafeteria Manager

Last week for checks for lunch no checks after MAY 11th PLEASE PAY OFF ALL LUNCH LOANS BY THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

A note from Mr. Lee—Music Teacher

2nd and 3rd grade Informance (concert) on Thursday May 10th. 2nd grade at 6:00 pm and 3rd at 6:45 in the cafeteria.

4th and 5th grade concert on Tuesday May 22nd in the cafeteria at 6 pm.