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PTA PRESIDENT, MR MATTHEW STEELE



Dear Fuguitt Families,

It's been quite the 2019-2020 school year with many unplanned challenges. I hope you and all of your children do not look at this pandemic as a problem but rather an opportunity.

This has been a gift that allows us to reconnect with our children in ways that

before we may not have had time to. An opportunity to connect with teachers and staff and gain a better understanding of the daily challenges they face. And most importantly we as parents identify new learning opportunities to better support our children not just in the classroom but at home.

My biggest wish as we step outside of our homes is that we don't just feel relief to get back to normal but confidence that we armed with the tools, knowledge and awareness of what it means to support your school and community.

I am proud and honored to have served as President of the Fuguitt PTA these past two years. I believe there is a strong foundation that will carry on for years to come.

If this year has taught us anything it should be the success of our children is not solely on the shoulders of the wonderful teachers who put countless hours in. But It's also on the shoulders of every parent to step up and get involved. Everyone deserves the highest praise. Let us not forget this year and instead use it to propel our children into greatness.

On behalf of PTA, I would like to express our sincere gratitude to our 5th Grade gift Sponsors: Speedpro St. Petersburg and Douglas Mfg. We really appreciate it.





"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples." – Mother Teresa

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Check out <u>www.pcsb.org/parentacademy</u> and find recording links to past Parent Academy Power Hour sessions on such important topics as **Building Resilience in**

Challenging Times, Oops! My Child is Off Task: Self-Discipline Strategies, Eagle Eye: Online Safety and much more.



These webinar recordings can all be viewed at your convenience. Information on upcoming sessions as they are planned may also be found on this same page. Also, www.pcsb.org/athomeresources has valuable resources and fun, supportive activities for families on the topics below. Check back regularly as new resources are added every week!



2. Parents, we encourage you to sign your child up for Summer Bridge. Elementary Summer Bridge will be virtual this summer and available for students in grades K-4. If you need help with

registration, please contact your child's teacher or the school and we can help you with the registration process. You can follow this link for more information www.pcsb.org/summerbridge. Summer Bridge will help your child stay engaged in learning through fun themes each week focused on essential standards for their grade level and teacher led small group instruction.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your continued partnership with us!

PTA INFORMATION

<u>PRINCIPAL of Fuguitt</u> <u>Elementary School</u>

Kathlene Bentley, Ed.D. ADDRESS of the School

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PTA MISSION

To make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

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PRINCIPAL, MRS KATHLENE BENTLEY, ED.D.



Greetings Fuguitt students, staff and families!!! I know this is not how we thought our year together would end but we are in unprecedented times right now. I want you to know that I am so very proud of how you persevered through and finished this year out strong! We will continue our online learning through summer, and I am encouraging all students to enroll in Virtual Summer Bridge. We will use this time together to keep the connection between Fuguitt and our

families by providing meaningful work that is fun and interactive! Learning doesn't have to stop! Families have your child read every day and update their summer Reading log throughout the summer months. We will give students incentives for completing their Reading log when we return to school.

Fuguitt Elementary will remain a Title I school for the 2020-2021 school year. Being a Title I school ensures that all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach, at a minimum, proficiency on challenging State academic achievement standards and state academic assessments. We will accomplish this goal through collaborative work with our staff, parents, and students! Please visit our school website @http://www.pcsb.org/fuguitt-es and click on the RESOURCES tab for more details.

In addition, Fuguitt will continue our work as a *Leader in Me* school. This commitment to leadership will empower our young students to become leaders in all areas of their adolescent growth. Our teachers and staff are committed to you and your students. The Leader in Me is a school-wide process that develops staff and students as leaders and thereby transforms the culture and performance of the school. The Leader in Me schools seamlessly integrate leadership development into daily curriculum, activities, and systems and creates a culture where every student is encouraged to set and achieve meaningful goals, be a positive influence on others, and use his or her individual gifts to better the community. We are thrilled about this wonderful opportunity and look forward to embarking on the 2020-2021 school journey with you!!

Make sure to check out our school's website and PTA Facebook page for updates and our Meet and Greet date, hopefully, in August. Please encourage your child to continue to "Sharpen their Saw" during the summer break by taking care of their mind, body, and soul.

We look forward to seeing you this coming school year! As we receive information regarding schools, I will send out updates. Please help us by giving us new phone numbers and emails. You can email updates to Miss Patsy at <u>samip@pcsb.org</u> or myself at <u>bentleyk@pcsb.org</u>. Thank you for always supporting our students and making Fuguitt an awesome learning place where our leaders reach for the stars!!! **#fuguittstrong**

Kindest Regards, Dr. B and Mrs. Wager

WE ARE SO PROUD OF OUR 5TH GRADERS!!!

Mrs. Berrian's Homeroom



Mr. Freed's Homeroom

Mrs. Byrd's Homeroom



Mrs. Hagan's Homeroom



Ms. Palumbo's Homeroom



Mrs. Ryan's Homeroom





WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS FROM FUGUITT FAMILY

To the 5th Grade Class of Fuguitt Elementary School 2019-2020,

You are beginning a new stage in the story of your life. You get to choose the person

who you will be from this point in time forward into your life. I wish you great success on your education path. Your education offers you many ideas, creative opportunities, choices and experiences. Find the path that is right for you. Dream Big! Enjoy! Be Groovy! *Mrs. Katie Davies, Gifted Program Teacher*

Dear Fuguitt Graduating Class of 2020,

How difficult to say, "Goodbye". I love you, that's the reason why. But know this, you Gators strong, You'll be great, it won't take long To find your way in Middle School And let them know that Gators rule! And if you see me in the store, Wave! Say "hi", it's not a chore! Now get out there, enjoy the sun! You are amazing! Each and every one! *Mrs. Broucinek*

Dear 5th Graders, It has been a joy and pleasure watching you grow through your elementary years. I want you to know I am very proud of all your hard work you have done. I will cherish the memories made with each and every one of you. As you start your new middle school path, remember to stay focused and to work hard and never give up. The world is yours! You will be greatly missed! Happy Graduation Day! *Miss Robinson Dear 5th grader! This is such an exciting time but also a sad time. We will miss you greatly!!! Always remember that you are loved, and you remain in the hearts and minds of every Fuguitt teacher who has had you in his/her class. I know I will NEVER forget my 3rd graders of 2017-2018! Whatever you do, work at it with ALL YOUR HEART, and you will be AMAZING!! Love you, Mrs. Hildreth

To the Class of 2020 Wishing you

all the best as you move on to 6th Grade. I am proud of all you have

accomplished

this year! As you move on be true to yourself, work hard, and be a leader! You are going to do great things! *Mrs. Wager*

Good luck to you as you continue on your great adventure. Work hard, believe in yourself, and be kind to others. *Mrs. Timberlake*

Wishing you great success in middle school and beyond. Have a wonderful, safe summer. *Love, Ms. Beth*

Good luck in middle school! Jessica Summers, PTA, Physical Therapy

To Fifth Graders:

Congratulations! Today is your day! You're off to great places! You're off and away! You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose! *First Grade Teachers: Mrs. Rafferty, Mrs. Cellamare, Mrs. Montague and Mrs. Farmer*

Dear Fifth Graders, Congratulations

on reaching this amazing milestone! You have been great leaders at Fuguitt, and you will continue your



leadership at your new school. Keep your head up and always be proud of your accomplishments. Continue to show kindness to others, it's the right thing to do. Enjoy the little things in life and always show gratitude. **Best wishes always, Ms. Holubeck - VE Resource Teacher**

"OH, the places you will go!" You have brains in your head and feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in a direction you choose. Your Dr. Seuss days may be over but the things you learned will be with you forever. Wishing you so many Dr. Seuss moments in your journey! CONGRATULATIONS and get on your way. ~ **Ms. Chrissy**

Dear 5th graders, Although our year did not end how we intended, let's hold onto the memories that we made this year. You are all strong and hard workers and will go far! I wish you the best as you transition to middle school. You will certainly be missed! Enjoy your summer. Your future is bright! Best, Ms. Nikki, Speech Language Pathologist



WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS FROM FUGUITT FAMILY

Fuguitt Graduating Class of 2020...What a year of



ups and downs, your group came into 5th grade like a wrecking ball! I am sad to see you go under the circumstances (without a loss in kickball .. of course!). However, I will forever remember this year,

this group, and because of the situation your class is even more special than the rest! I know we missed all the end of year events, the FSA, and Enterprise Village, but we have lots of memories to hold on to. I encourage you to write them down before you begin wondering the halls of middle school and forget this time of your life. Your going to do great, make new friends, new teachers, and new beginnings. You have made it through 5th grade, and survived quarantine

all in a matter of a few months.. you can do anything! Miss all your faces, and your hugs! Make good choices! **Ms. Berrian**

For many years my classroom motto has been, "Get Comfortable with Being Uncomfortable". Congrats,

Fuguitt 5th grade class of 2020. You had to live through this motto like no other class before you. Use the lessons learned this year to reach for your success and get "uncomfortable" – that's where the real learning begins! - *Mr. Freed*

You are moving on to a new and exciting chapter in your life. I wish you all the best for the future that lies ahead. Always do your best in whatever you are trying to accomplish. **Ms. Palumbo**

Hello Fuguitt Graduating Class of 2020! I have enjoyed teaching you PE, throughout your years at Fuguitt. I have seen some of you grow from little Kindergarteners and develop into the individuals you are today. That makes me smile. Good luck as you travel through the rest of your school years. Stay safe, responsible, and respectful. These are good guidelines to carry with you always. Congrats! **Coach Rasmussen** Dear Fuguitt 5th grade graduate and soon to be middle-schooler! Congratulations on finishing elementary school. It has been an unusual end to the school year with the Covid 19 –it is something you will remember your whole life. Remember to take care of yourself by eating plenty of fruit and vegetables, brushing and flossing your teeth, getting exercise, drinking water, wearing your helmet and always listen to your adults who care about you. It has been great watching you all grow up so much. Each one of you are special in your own way. Best wishes to each and every one of you! Nurse Priscilla

"I loved making music with you! Keep being AWESOME as you continue through life's wonderful journey! ~ *Mrs. Thomas.*"



Dear 5th grade students,

Today's the day you start anew, For Middle School is waiting for you! All your teachers will miss you and wish you the best.

Continue to work hard to pass all your tests! Think of the fun times you had along the way, Memorable moments with friends, and of course, field day!

Continue to make your teachers proud, Make your voice heard, but not too loud... Remember to shine, you're all shining stars, We will always be thinking of you, from afar! *Love, Mrs. Correa, 2nd grade*

