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Message from PTA President, Mr Matthew Steele Hello Fuguitt Families! The countdown to the end of the school year has begun! I want to again thank all of the volunteers who helped on the PTA to make this year a success. This last month we invited all parents and teacher out for a town hall forum to discuss the year in review and just as important we conducted board elections. We have one change to the board for next year and that is Alexa Bonnici will be replacing Leta Ludes as Vice President. Leta has been on the board for the last three years and starting next year will be serving the PTA as a committee chairperson. Please join me in thanking Leta for all she has done on the board and her continued support of the PTA. Please also

join me in thanking Alexa for her time and commitment to serve on the 2019-2020 board! Alexa is a parent of a kindergartener and represents the future of the PTA! Samantha Steele will remain in the secretary position and Heather Greve will continue to large responsibility as the boards Treasurer. Heather has worked tirelessly this year to make this year possible. Anyone interested in serving on the board or on a committee please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Now that elections are complete the board will begin working on ideas for the upcoming school year. If anyone has any suggestions now is the time to suggest them. We are also open to any feedback parents and teachers have. If you have not already, we have a limited amount of yearbooks available to sell. Heather Greve and Ms Carver have designed an amazing yearbook this year! The book is in 3-D (glasses not required) and makes for a great keepsake. Please contact us for details. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Bike Rodeo on May 3rd!

"The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention." ~Oscar Wilde

Meet our School psychologist, Ms Nancy Harkins Hello! My name is Nancy Harkins and I am Fuguitt's School Psychologist. Most of you probably have not heard of me, but I have been assigned to Fuguitt for eight years and I love it here. I am fortunate to be able to provide psychoeducational services to our students here at Fuguitt. Much of the time I work in the background helping to identify students who need academic support and then monitoring their progress. For students who needs intensive support, I conduct assessments for consideration of services in Exceptional Student Education. Additionally I work with students who require



significant behavior support by assisting teachers in developing behavior plans. Truthfully, I am here to support the teachers, administration, students in any way my services are needed. I am a graduate of the University of South Florida and have been a school psychologist since 1992. I am also the mother of three adult children, who have me a better psychologist for the challenges they have brought me over the years. If you ever need me, my door is always open.

Upcoming Events





3rd at 5:30 - 7:30 PM
Bike Rodeo
10th
Mother's Day Cake
17th at 7:30 AM
All Pro Dad's Meeting
27th
Memorial Day Holiday
29th

Last day for all students **TBD:** 5th Grade Party

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Membership Report

142 Total Amount of

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Join us in celebrating our 5th graders graduating. We are in need of food, decorations, entertainment donations and volunteers! There are 86 students and 4 teachers. We are looking for a DJ to provide music and lights. The kids would love to have a photo booth or photographer available to take photos they can take home. Let's work together and make this party a great for our hardworking 5th graders and teachers! This party



MEMORIAL DAY...
... IS THE DAY THAT'S SET
ASIDE TO REMEMBER WITH
GRATITUDE AND PRIDE
ALL THOSE WHO SERVED
AND DIED FOR OUR
COUNTRY AND OUR
FREEDOM.
MAY YOUR DAY BE
FILLED WITH
MEMORIES AND
PEACE.
GOD BLESS AMERICA

is completely funded and hosted by parents so your help is very important! Please <u>SIGN</u> **UP** ASAP. **Any help is appreciated!**



Join us for our end of year SAFETY event!

Bike Safety Course

Fire Safety

K9 Demonstration

Music

Free Child ID Kit

FREE Food & Drinks

FREE Family Fun

Bike Giveaways*

For more information on volunteering or helping sponsor the event please contact us at info.fuguitt.pta@gmail.com



* To be entered in the raffle drawings please visit the PTA booth.

*Must be present to win.

Please do not bring bikes or scooters, they will be provided to use for the bike safety course.

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HELD EVENTS

Town Hall with PTA and Dr. B, 2019 -2020 PTA Board Elections,

17th of April at 5:30 PM

It was a very productive meeting. We discussed lots of priority questions, how we can make things better. Please let us introduce our 2019-2020 PTA board and committee members!!!



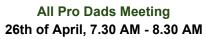
Pictured above in order (left to right) **Dasha Ruzanova** - Communication

Committee Chair

Jeremy Ludes - Membership Committee Chair

Leta Ludes - Programs Committee Chair Samantha Steele - Secretary Heather Greve - Treasurer Alexa Bonnici - Vice President Matthew Steele - President Mrs. Byrd - PTA Liaison There are still a TON of committee

There are still a TON of committee chairs open to fill!! Don't be shy! Please email us for more information.



Last month's topic was "Upstander". Negative bullying behaviors are all around us. Many will ignore bullying and just go on with life if it doesn't have a personal direct impact, but doing so sends a message that you're okay with someone's hurtful treatment of another person. It teaches children to ignore bullying and pretend nothing happened. This fuels bullying to continue and spread.





