

THE GEAR

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Message from the Principal Heather Peters



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Vision:
Engineering innovative thinkers for global success

Mission:
Provide a diverse and caring learning environment with highly qualified teachers, unique family and community partnerships, and distinct engineering curriculum.

Calendar of Events

- May 2 Band and Chorus Concert 6:30 pm
- May 6 – 10 Staff Appreciation Week
- May 8 Bucs Vision Van
- May 17 5th Grade vs Staff Volleyball Game
- May 20 PTA General Meeting @ 5:30 pm,
followed by Reading Event
- May 20 SAC Meeting 6:00 pm
- May 21 DLJ Enrichment Challenge Water Play Day
- May 23 Staff Basketball Game at Gibbs HS
- May 24 Awards Ceremonies: Grades 1-2-3-4, VPK
- May 24 5th Grade Dance
- May 27 Memorial Day – No School
- May 28 Multicultural Festival
- May 29 Grade 5 *Moving Up Ceremony*
Report Cards Distributed.

End of Year Grade Level Assemblies
Thursday, May 23rd
 1:00 -2:00 VPK Promotion Ceremony @ Media Center
Friday, May 24th
 9:00- 9:45 2nd Grade @ Media Center
 10:00-10:45 4th Grade @ Media Center
 11:00-11:45 3rd Grade @ Media Center
 12:00-12:45 1st Grade @ Media Center
Wednesday, May 29th
 8:15 5th Grade Breakfast @ Cafeteria
 8:50 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony @ Cafeteria

The LAST DAY OF SCHOOL is May 29th
DISMISSAL will be 2 hours early at 12:55 PM

Greetings, families!

May is certainly a busy month. We will be completing Progress Monitoring Cycle 3 for all grade levels. VPK, Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades started last week and will finish this first week of May. The schedule for students in grades 3, 4, 5 is below. Most students at the grade level will test on the day below. If your child receives any accommodations, they might be testing on a different day as noted on the parent FAST letter.

- Tuesday, May 7 – 3rd Grade ELA
 - Wednesday, May 8 – 4th Grade ELA
 - Thursday, May 9 – 5th Grade ELA
 - Wednesday, May 15 – 4th Grade Math
 - Thursday, May 16 – 5th Grade Science
 - Monday, May 20 – 3rd Grade Math
 - Wednesday, May 22 – 5th Grade Math
- All testing and make up tests must be completed by May 29th.

We are also turning our attention to making sure students are prepared for the next grade level. As we complete the last days of this school year, we want to make every day count. Having your child(ren) here every day, on time, and ready to learn makes a difference. I believe we have achieved so much this year in making sure students are learning and growing. I appreciate the family support to keep the learning momentum going. Please continue to read your child's agenda book daily and review any papers sent home.

I hope that you will support summer learning. Research has shown that students who do not read over the summer spend a lot of time catching up in the fall. Also please consider signing your child up for Summer Bridge which is being held Monday - Thursday from June 3rd - June 27th, 7:55 a.m. to 1:55 p.m. If your child cannot attend Summer Bridge, then please make sure to have your child read at least 20-30 minutes and review math facts DAILY.

Respectfully,
 Heather Peters



Family Vacations

Please plan vacations so as to not interfere with the instructional and testing calendar. Every school's Child Study Team meets twice monthly to discuss absences, both excused and unexcused. Family vacations that occur during instructional time are NOT excused absences.





Spring Concerts

Band & Chorus

Thursday, May 2nd @ 6:30pm

A Very Special Thanks to Our Volunteers

Jamerson staff, students and families are grateful for the countless Volunteers who donated their time, often worked tirelessly, and remained true to our mission of ensuring that this school year would be nothing less than amazing for students, their families, and staff alike. The many special events, field trips, PBIS reward programs, PTA events, and other regular happenings which make our school "the place to be", would not be possible without them!



Registered Volunteers - Save these dates below!



DLJ Annual Staff Basketball Game

Thursday, May 23rd

at

Gibbs High Gymnasium

Volunteer Sign-up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4BADAF2EAAF9C52-49404241-staff>

Contact Ms. O'Hare or Mrs. Stees for more information.

727-552-1703

Thank you in advance for your gift of time!



Tuesday, May 21st

This DLJ Enrichment Challenge reward event is rapidly approaching and we need YOUR help to make it a success!

If you are willing to have fun, play outside, and possibly get wet, these events are for you!

This events will have morning and afternoon sessions. Feel free to sign up for one, or both, time slots.

If you want to ensure that you will be volunteering at your child's time, please note in the Sign-Up and we will get with you closer to the event date.

Volunteer Sign-up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A054FADAE29A64-water>

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Clinic News

IMPORTANT END OF SCHOOL YEAR INFORMATION!

Pinellas County Schools policy does not allow us to send medication home with students or store it over the summer.

Parents must pick up all medications from the clinic by NOON on Wednesday, May 29th.

An adult/ parent must sign for all types of medication.

Medications that are not picked up by the deadline will be destroyed.

Jamerson's Clinic will close on Wednesday, May 29th for the summer.

There will be no nurse, or staff, to assist in signing out remaining medications.

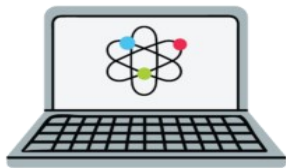
Parents with student medications in the clinic will receive a letter by mail, two weeks before school is out, reminding them to pick up medications.

Also, a letter will be sent home with the students one week before school is out.

Please note that your child will be sent home if they experience ONE or more of the following:

- Fever over 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit
- One episode of diarrhea or vomiting
- Dry cough, or shortness of breath (not due to asthma)

Please call Nurse Elizabeth Dudley, RN @ 727-552-1703, ext. 2026 if you need more information or clarification, and to schedule a pick-up time.



IMPORTANT Technology Notice!

Instructions regarding PCS take-home devices for 3rd - 5th grade students:

3rd & 4th Grade:

Starting on May 1st, students will see a "RENEWAL LINK" on their home screen of their laptops.

IF YOUR CHILD IS STAYING AT JAMERSON, they should click on their renewal link and follow the directions to keep their device over the summer.

ANY STUDENT THAT IS LEAVING JAMERSON, MUST TURN IN THEIR LAPTOP FOR THE SUMMER (THIS INCLUDES 5TH GRADERS).

If you do NOT want your child to bring home their device over the summer, please let their classroom teacher know.

If the online form is not completed, your child's laptop must be turned in at the end of the school year.

5th Grade: Laptops and iPads issued to 5th Graders do **NOT** follow them to middle school. They must be returned to Jamerson by **Thursday, May 24th**

Please be sure device chargers and other school-issued accessories are returned with the device.



IMPORTANT!

Final turn in for LIBRARY BOOKS begins May 6th.

Start looking for any misplaced books now!

Summer Bridge will be held Monday through Thursday from June 3rd to June 27th. The hours are 7:55a.m.- 1:55p.m., which will include breakfast and lunch.

You can register at reservation.pcsb.org or for more information visit: <https://www.pcsb.org/Page/4036>

