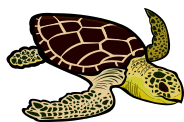


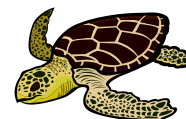


# Safety Harbor Elementary



## May 2017

### NEWSLETTER



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## Mark Your Calendar

- 5/1 – 5/5 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 5/1 – Robotics, 6:30pm
- 5/1 – 5/5 SSA Science Test, 5<sup>th</sup> gr.**
- FSA Reading Test, 4<sup>th</sup> gr.**
- 5/5 – Spirit Stick Sales – 8:05 am
- 5/8 - Robotics, 6:30 pm
- 5/8 – 5/12 FSA Math Test, 4<sup>th</sup> gr.**
- 5/9 – Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast, 8:05 am**
- 5/11 Music Concert – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – 6 pm  
4<sup>th</sup> grade – 7:15 pm
- 5/11 – PTA Staff Appreciation Lunch
- 5/15 & 5/22 – Robotics, 6:30 pm
- 5/24 – Character Assembly – 1:35 pm
- 5/25 – Last Day of School for Students**
- Early Dismissal 12:35pm**
- Report Cards Distributed
- 6/6 – 7/13 – Summer Bridge

## NEWSFLASH!

Happy May Safety Harbor Elementary Families!

Although there are only a few weeks of school left this year, there is much to complete and celebrate! Please continue to check agenda books, monitor our school calendar and checkout Peach Jar flyers for upcoming events. We want you to be a part of the excitement that the end of the year brings us! This week we are celebrating **Teacher Appreciation Week – May 1 – 5<sup>th</sup>**. Please help us to thank our amazing teachers and support staff for their dedication to our students and families each and every day!

During this time of year, much planning takes place for the upcoming school year. We gather and utilize a variety of data and information as we begin the process of creating next year's class lists. If you would like to provide input into your child's classroom setting/learning style, please write a letter, to my attention, no later than Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. While we do not take specific teacher requests, we understand that your prior experiences, successful (or not), would provide additional information in determining the best setting for student success. Class lists will be posted on the front office window prior to open house in August (date TBA). Due to circumstances which are out of our control, changes can occur over the course of the summer and into the 10<sup>th</sup> day of school. Therefore, class lists remain tentative until after the 10 day count. If your child will not be attending SHES next year, please inform the front office with the school they will be attending. As always, if you

need to speak to me directly, please e-mail me or contact me by phone.

Finally, I would like to thank our phenomenal PTA for organizing yet another fun and fabulous Spring Fling. Our students had a wonderful time and this could not be possible without the advanced planning and organization of the team, as well as the support of staff and volunteers! Together we make SHES Shine!!

*Ms. Palmer, Principal*

### *Safety First at Safety Harbor*

Parents, as well as SHES Staff members, are observing students being dropped off on MLK St., 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and in the North parking lot, which is not a drop off location. I encourage you, for the safety of your child, as well as demonstrating responsible and safe behavior, to utilize the car circle which runs very efficiently each morning and afternoon. Thank you!



*May Character Trait: Caring*

*Being kind, friendly, considerate & willing to listen, give & share.*



# and % of Students who missed 10% or more to date	13.8%	(91) 14.4%	(76) 12.0%	(63) 10.1%	(52) 8.3%	(59) 9.4%	(51) 8.1%	(56) 8.9%	(50) 8.0%
Safety Harbor Elementary	2015/16 average data	10% or more August	10% or more September	10% or more October	10% or more November	10% or more December	10% or more January	10% or more February	10% or more March

Did you know that one of the leading predictors of student success is consistent and timely attendance? Above are our attendance rates for the 2016-2017 school year. We have definitely shown good improvement in our data over the course of this school year in reducing the number of students who miss 10% or more of the school year to date. However, our SHES faculty hopes that we can start the school year stronger by limiting excessive absences in August, September and October as well as cutting our percentages in half each month. Keeping this in mind, please plan accordingly for the start of a new school year, as the first day of school for students is Thursday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Please establish bedtime and wake-up routines and processes at home to ensure that there is a smooth and timely transition from home to school. Start each day off right!

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST** May 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:05 am in the Media Center! Volunteers are the missing puzzle piece that completes SHES!



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**Could your child benefit from extra learning opportunities over the summer?**

Registration for Summer Bridge is underway. Summer Bridge is especially important for students who are not performing on grade level or need additional help to stay on track. Summer Bridge provides engaging activities and focused instruction to prepare students for maximum success. Most Summer Bridge programs will run Monday through Thursday from June 6 to July 13. Register and find the latest information at [www.pcsb.org/summerbridge](http://www.pcsb.org/summerbridge)

Contact our front office for additional info or help with the registration process. 727-724-1462



**Kiwanis K-Kids**  
Young Leaders Helping Others

K-Kids had their last meeting in April. Before breaking up for the summer, club members elected new officers for the 2017-2018 school year:

President: Helena Irizarry

Vice President: Adelyn Troutman

Treasurer: Carson Wagner

Corresponding Secretary: Taliah Murtha

Recording Secretary: Olivia Webb

Sergeant-At-Arms: Andrew Bennett

Club members also celebrated this year's accomplishments with a party, but only after they delivered "Thank You" goodie bags to all the school's teachers, office and support staff.

K-Kids had a terrific year and wanted to thank teachers and support staff at SHES for helping them accomplish meaningful service projects that touched the lives of so many people from babies to children to mothers to the elderly. They look forward to more fun-filled community service projects next year.

Kiwanis Students of the Month-  
Fatima Machhour & Jamyah Murphy

**Jamyah:** We are proud to announce that Safety Harbor Elementary School's *Kiwanis Student of the Month* for the month of April is **Jamyah Murphy**. Ms. Lyons has chosen Jamyah because she has a positive attitude towards school and puts forth good effort on her daily assignments in their reading class. During these sessions, Jamyah displays a sincere enthusiasm for learning and a keen interest in the various subjects studied this year, as reflected by her inquisitive questions and comments during class discussions. She is always a friendly, cooperative, and polite student who gets along well with both peers and adults.

Ms. Lyons notes that she has also been impressed by other teachers' statements about Jamyah. Her current fifth grade teacher, Ms. Marchesiello-Clark, shares that Jamyah always works her hardest on assignments. She is considerate of her classmates and is well behaved in their general education classroom. Ms. Twite (Walsh), her previous fourth grade teacher, has reported that Jamyah was a sweet, hard-working student who was determined to be successful in her schoolwork. She got along well with others and enjoyed participating with peers in group discussions.

Ms. Lyons is proud to select **Jamyah Murphy** as this month's *Kiwanis Student of the Month*. Jamyah's many positive characteristics will be very beneficial to her continued success in school, as well as in all of her other future endeavors.

Ms. Lyons

**Fatima:** Fatima embodies the core values that Kiwanis International is guided by. She is responsible, reliable, and she treats everyone with respect.

I am truly honored to say that Fatima exemplifies integrity. She realizes that what she says and how she behaves are representative of her character.

She arrives at school each and every day with a positive attitude and a smile on her face. She questions, problem solves and most importantly, challenges herself. She takes ownership of her learning and does not make any excuses. There is no doubt in my mind that she will continue to achieve success in her life because she has the attitude and work ethic to succeed!

Fatima, you are a motivated, outgoing, creative, compassionate, and truly wonderful young lady. It has been my pleasure to help guide you this school year. Always remember, you are so very special! I wish you much happiness in life.

Ms. L. Schlenker



April Character Winners – Self-Control

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|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Juan Carlos Molina      | Miranda Atherton   | Andrea Avila-Garcia | Lily Mander      |
| Alexandra Dulong        | Gemma Wiley        | Hunter Hernandez    | Isabella Gease   |
| Darius Hart             | Liam Hall          | Priya Jayanna       | Lila Cormier     |
| Trey Veasley            | Braydon Schultz    | Jake Spindler       | Indrit Demircani |
| Jack Egleston           | Addison Shughart   | Madison English     | Marcelle Bowes   |
| Grace Ekern-Bonistalli  | Emory Tipton       | Rihanna Jones       |                  |
| Tianie Green            | Sofia Drabin       | Kadyn Buckman       | Shayla Ashley    |
| Liam O'Brien-Duchesneau | Marcus Gilley      | Fatima Machhour     |                  |
| Ruby Delgado            | Giovanni Colarocco | Annie Hilgeman      |                  |
| Adam Green              | Cain Szabo         | Alexander Guzman    |                  |



PTA UPDATE

Happy May SHES Families!



It has been such a fantastic year, thank you for all the support from all the SHES families! Summer is almost here but we still have some awesome things going on in the month of MAY.

May 1<sup>st</sup>–May 5<sup>th</sup> is Staff Appreciation Week, May 5<sup>th</sup> Last Spirit Stick Sale, May 9<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast, May 11<sup>th</sup> Staff Appreciation Luncheon, May 11<sup>th</sup> PTA General Board Meeting Elections @ 5:45pm before the Concert in the Auditorium.

A HUGE THANK YOU to Kelly Edwards and Janet Brehm for the Spring Fling and Silent Auction! It was such a great night!

It is time once again for the PTA Nominating Committee to recruit Candidates to hold PTA Officer Positions for the following year. The goal of the nominating committee is to enlist the talents of as many SHES parents, friends and family as possible. The following positions need to be filled for the 2017-2018 school year: President, VP (Programs), VP (Ways and Means), VP (Communications), Auditor, Corresponding Secretary. If you are interested in being on the PTA board for

next year, please contact Jennifer Rothe at [pta.jenniferrothe@gmail.com](mailto:pta.jenniferrothe@gmail.com), Justine Jayanna at [justine.jayanna@gmail.com](mailto:justine.jayanna@gmail.com), or Kelly Hutchison at [johnandkelly3@verizon.net](mailto:johnandkelly3@verizon.net).

