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A Message from the Principal

Greetings BPE Families and Friends,

I would like to wish everyone a happy summer! Another successful year has come to an end. This year was filled with many initiatives that focused on student learning. It was our goal to grow professionally so that we were able to implement the best educational practices in meeting the needs of our student learners.

I would like to acknowledge and thank our highly skilled and talented staff for their commitment and dedication to the well-being of our students. It was evident that on a daily basis our students were surrounded by people who genuinely cared about them. They maintained high expectations for themselves and OUR students. Our staff never looked for praise, but their efforts certainly warrant recognition, and I want to express my sincerest gratitude for the contributions they made every single day. Our motto was WE MAKE THE DIFFERENCE – and they did!

Lastly, I would like to thank our PTA, SAC, Families, and Business and Community Partners for being an integral part of the Bay Point family. Have a relaxing and enjoyable summer, and remember to mark your calendars - school begins for students on Monday, August 19, 2013. Take care and be safe!

Fondly,

Dr. Felita Grant Lott, Principal

Calendar:

May

- 13th Meet Author Debra Frasier, 6:30PM
- 16th 5th Grade vs. Staff Softball Game, 8:45am
All Children's Hospital (Gr. 1)
Familia Contenta Spanish play
- 17th 5th Grade PTA Popsicle Fundraiser
- 18th District Science Showcase, Science Center
- 20th–24th BPE Walks (PE classes)
- 20th Public Library (Morgan, Hudak, Kelly, Russo)
- 21st Chik fil A (St. Pete Beach) Spirit Day
- 24th Lowery Park (Kindergarten)
- 27th **Memorial Day—No School**
- 28th–29th Gifted student led conferences
- 28th Young Astronauts Rocket Blast
- 19th Medieval Times (Gifted)
- 29th Spring Concert at Lakewood High

June

- 3rd Animal Kingdom (Gr. 5)
- 5th Last Day of School, 12:50 Dismissal
5th Grade Celebration, 9:00am—10:15am

August

- 16th Meet the Teacher, 11am - 1pm
- 19th First day of school, 8:35 am

Come Meet Author

Debra Frasier

Monday evening at 6:30pm
Bring one her books and she will autograph it for you!

5Th Grade Events

PTA Popsicle Sale May 17th
Celebration June 5th

Through our curriculum we will facilitate learning by providing relevant, multidimensional learning experiences with special emphasis on the processes of mathematics, science, foreign language, and technology to prepare students to function constructively in the 21st century.

*Celebrating Our 50th Year
5 Star School * AWARDS * Golden School*

Take Advantage of Lexia Reading

...Ms. Sanchez

Lexia Reading Update

Lexia Reading is an

Lexia Reading

interactive software program that provides a method for students to acquire foundational reading skills.

Congratulations to the newest addition of students who have completely mastered *Lexia Reading* and are now working on *Reading Plus* (17 students):

2nd grade

4th grade

James E.

Jeremy R.

Congratulations **Calli H.** for being the first k to completely master *Lexia Reading*!

Congratulations to the 46 of our Kindergarteners who are currently working on 1st Grade skills and to the 12 of our Kindergarteners who are working above 1st Grade skills in *Lexia Reading*!!!

Our Lexia Reading license expires in August and we are unsure if it will be renewed. Therefore, it is highly recommended and encouraged that students continue to access *Lexia Reading* over the summer.

To use this software, go to: <https://www.mylexia.com/admin/login.php> and "Click here" under the School-to-Home Connection User for the instructions to download and install the software.

School Customer ID: 7044-9439-4165-9793

Destination Reading & Math

In addition to accessing Lexia Reading over the summer, BPE has chosen to take advantage of our District's offer of their summer online distance learning opportunity for our students to participate through Destination Reading and Math.

Every Monday during summer vacation, students will receive new Destination Reading and Math activities. Four weeks at present grade level and four weeks at their next grade level. These engaging activities can be accessed from <https://destination.pinellas.k12.fl.us>.

Collect These All Summer



- Ink Jet Cartridges
- Cell Phones



Look for this button on BPE's web page to link to a great **free** resource for families!
www.InSyncEdu.com

Noticias Olé

...Sra. Nilsa Gómez

¡Hola! In order for your child to maintain his/her language ability over the summer, consider involving him/her in some of the following activities:

For the computer, get the Jump Star Spanish CD or Usborne's First Thousand Words, or go to children friendly websites like www.storyplace.org or www.quia.com/shared/spanish/

Ask your local librarian to locate some beginner reader Spanish books.

Go to dinner at a Spanish restaurant and have your child to try to order the food in Spanish.

Call a friend from school and try to see how much Spanish you remember.

Go to the zoo and name the animals in Spanish.

Try to name the food at the grocery store in Spanish.

Review colors, numbers, and the date.

Your child knows a lot of vocabulary in Spanish. Give them every opportunity, anywhere you go, to identify anything they know. Have a *Fantástico* summer!

Spring Concert

...Mr. Pineda

DATE: May 29th, 2013

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Lakewood High School

PERFORMERS: 2nd, 3rd grade, 4th & 5th Grade Chorus, and Guitar Ensemble

ARRIVAL TIME: 2nd and 3rd grade students should arrive at 6:00 p.m. and go directly to the theater.

4th & 5th Grade Chorus should arrive at 5:30 p.m., and Guitar ensemble students should arrive at 5:00 p.m. Instructions on where to meet are TBA.

Science in the Summer

...Mrs. Vyverberg

Whether you are hiking, camping, playing in a park or exploring in your own backyard, there are tons of science activities you can do with simple things all around you.

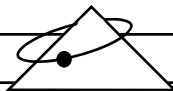
You can go bird watching, find unique plants, collect weird rocks, or discover new insects. Here are just a few suggestions from a site called **homesciencetools.com** :

<http://www.hometrainingtools.com/balloon-rocket-car-project/a/1346/>

<http://www.hometrainingtools.com/build-a-wormery/a/1405/>

<http://www.hometrainingtools.com/ice-cream-project/a/1342/>

<http://www.hometrainingtools.com/water-wheel-science-project/a/1376/>



Children's Book Author

...Mrs. Parker

Author **Debra Frasier** will be visiting our school on Monday May 13th. She will meet with students in 3 large groups to see a grade leveled visual presentation that will have them laughing and applauding her stories of creative leaps and editorial frustrations amid the book process. Five top readers in Reading Counts in each grade level will be able to share a fun filled private lunch with Debra where they can talk about her experience as a writer and illustrator. A Family Night is also included in this day as all students and their parents are invited to attend a night session in our cafeteria where Debra will teach her hands-on approach to cut paper illustrations, consistently astonishing her participants with their creative results. It's a "make and take" session that is sure to please! We would love to see all families Monday evening from 6:30-7:45 to have some good old fashion family time! The event is free! We will not be selling Debra's books the day of the event but she will be happy to sign any prepurchased books that the students bring in. You can purchase her books at Amazon.com or any local bookstore. For more information about Debra you can visit her website at www.DebraFrasier.com.

Families please note:

Due to the large number of parental requests for teacher assignments, *we will be unable to grant parental requests for particular teachers* moving forward for the 2013-2014 school year. Please know that administratively we do evaluate all student information to help maximize success for all the students entrusted to our care. We thank you for partnering with us, and look forward to a fabulous 2013-14 year.

Next Year

No early release Wednesdays
School Hours -
 8:05am Gates Open
 8:05am—8:25am Free Breakfast
 8:35am Classes Begin
 2:35pm Classes Dismiss

June 5th—Last day of school

12:50 Dismissal

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5th Grade Celebration  
 in Cafeteria  
 9:00 to 10:15 am

5<sup>th</sup> grade popsicle sale on 5/17/13 after lunch. The PTA mini fund raiser will help raise money for our 5<sup>th</sup> grade memory poster. Popsicles are 2 for \$1.00 and will be sold after the last lunch is over at 1:45p.m.

## Young Astronauts

...Mr. Barfield

As another year of Bay Point's Young Astronauts comes to end we can reflect on our many great adventures, activities and learning fun! Student participation and parental support was at a level I have not seen in my 10 years as coordinator. I want to thank all of the volunteers that made this organization shine. Group 1's leader, and YAC's teacher advisor, Ms. Susan Godfirnon's continued support has made things better than we could have hoped for. Ms. G.'s regular adult volunteers this year Mrs. Beck, Mrs. Blackett, & Mrs. Sonberg helped create a positive experience for all in group 1. Group 2's leader, first grade teacher, Ms. Cindy Wilson took on YAC after transitioning from volunteer to educator. She gave of her time while teaching our children. Ms. W's volunteer, Mrs. Kumar, was there to assist. Group 3, my students, I had an awesome support team. Mrs. Cornett has been with me for the past 2 years always helping out keeping us on track! Mrs. Smalling, a busy Mother and business owner, took time from her job to be there! One final thanks to Bay Point's Magnet Secretary Family & Community Liaison Ms. Cindy Petelle, who spent many extra hours helping us prepare for our overnight field trip to Kennedy Space Center. You're a valuable and special part of YAC! The continued support of teachers and Administration at BPE was there as always, thank you!

To the adults & Alumni students that chaperoned on our Kennedy Trip, many thanks! I look forward to trying to repeat our success next school year. Keep your eyes open in September for news! Our End of the Year celebration is approaching on May 28. All 3 groups will meet on the PE field for our annual, "Big Blast"! We will be launching our own built rockets into the cosmos. Please join us from 3:00 - 4:30 that day. Bring your family along for this unique experience!

In closing I wish all of our students a great transition to middle school, and your next grade level. Take time this summer to think about science, space expropriation and whatever sparks your imagination. Work on these ideas and share them with us next club year! If you need any help over the summer have your parents email me. ([firebeach1@aol.com](mailto:firebeach1@aol.com)) Have an awesome summer break, and see you all at the, BIG BLAST!

# Best Wishes

Fifth Graders! We will miss you!!  
 Good luck in middle school!

## Parent-Teacher Association— Go for the Gold!

I can't believe this school year is almost over. What a fantastic year it has been. PTA has been so busy all year with fundraisers, programs and activities. This year PTA offered nine programs, two large activities, and two fundraisers. Because our 200 plus members and volunteers, BPE PTA has been able to provide 20 iPads for teacher use, countless books for students in need, new safety patrol belts, awards for students who show positive behaviors, a new pump for the pond, Reading Plus licenses, wood burners for the fifth grade project, and many other things. We are winding up our year and only have a few events left. I would like to thank all of our fabulous volunteers for their help with Teacher Appreciation Week. Together we did a mini makeover of the teacher's lounge, provided breakfast and lunch for the staff, and gave away hundreds of dollars worth of services and gifts! We really do have the best team of teachers, staff, parents, and students in the County!

We still have the Fifth Grade Celebration to plan, so there is still time to help out! Thank you again for all you do. I look forward to another year of fun and learning with our Bay Point Family!

*Carmen Pupo*, PTA President

[www.bpepta.org](http://www.bpepta.org)

### Congratulations Pride Award Winners

Mary Blackett—Math  
Ansley Burtch—Science  
Ivan Rimoli—Social  
Studies  
Tara Sullivan—Writing

### Thank You News Anchors

Ansley Burtch  
Shemar Dean  
Myriam Marc  
Gus Langer  
Taylor Foran  
Courtney Burge  
Sebastian Stoici  
Cameron Olski

### Thank You for Your Service

**Carmen Pupo, PTA President**

VP: Shanika Sanders  
VP of Programs: Bryan Higel,  
Miles Baker, Tiffany Spoor  
VP of Activities: Monique Brown,  
Jen Cannizzaro, Mari Czyszczon  
VP of Membership: Stacy McCain  
VP of Fundraising: Lorrie Ashley,  
Mike Jefferis, Dan Summers  
Treasurer: Tim Sonberg  
Recording Secretary: Jen Suereth  
Corresponding Sec: Cara Ertle  
Committee Chairs:  
Merchandise & T-Shirts~Rose  
Kramer, Renee Hale  
Reflections~Kelly D’Louhy  
Hospitality~Kristen Cohen,  
Cheryl Stacks  
Math Superstars~Cinnamon  
McGeehan  
Teacher Liaisons~Tracy Grant,  
Carrie Jefferis

## Congratulations Science Fair Winners

### District Showcase Candidates

Jared Rouson, Cameron Olski , Ivan Rimoli,  
Mia Jakubik, Ragan Bell

### Gold

*Third Grade:* Evan Baker, Diamond Brown, Evan Steh, Sam Phrasavath, Andrew Blackett, Sophia Socash, Leo Smith, Nate Wooten, Jessie Harless

*Fourth Grade:* Luciana Aguilar, Titan Russel, Cody Lemons, De’Nylah Lance, Joshua Nguyen, Maslin Grant, Evan Bohlander, Immanuel Penn

*Fifth Grade:* Mary Margaret Blackett, Jacob Ash, Jamel Walker, Jared Rouson, Ainsley Burtch, Cameron Olski, Ivan Rimoli, Marineille Cabacang, Mia Jakubik, Brett Sullivan, Ragan Bell, Jenna Sullivan, Tara Sullivan

### Silver

*Third Grade:* Jaden King, Riley Craft, Hannah Skipper, Alex Walsh, Lily McGeehan, Avery Guinagh, Arni Kumar, Leah Sonberg, Victoria Czyszczon, Dillon Pupo, Analyss Dougherty, Finley Burtch

*Fourth Grade:* Jeremy Rachlin, Emma Harrison, Michael Lockhart, Andrea Rodriguez-Gomez, Julian McIntyre, Arianna Yellowdy, Maricin Tello, Elizabeth Barker, Tyler Ashlock, Daniel Strickland

*Fifth Grade:* Miriam Marc, Stephanie Ramos, Davon Miller, Janadia Fowler

### Bronze

*Third Grade:* Jayme Prado, Norris Kent, Isabella Teeters, Parris Church, Hayden McCain, Sophie Suereth, James Burress, Angelina Cao

*Fourth Grade:* Jaden McIntyre, Taijuan Lucas

*Fifth Grade:* Sydney Gibson, Chaise Campbell

### Honorable Mention

Kyla Martin Mikala Schell Bryson Maddox Danyelle Brown Avery Johnson Abigail McCloud Jayden Woody, Alex Pipino

## Thank You Safety Patrols

Jenna Sullivan  
Brett Sullivan  
Tara Sullivan  
Isaiah Faison  
Bailey Rubero  
Danyelle Brown  
Zoe LaPiccirella  
Madison Cornett  
Jamel Walker  
Mia Jakubik  
Ansley Burtch  
Beth Burress  
Stephanie Ramos

Augustine Langer  
Shayna Rucker  
Davon Miller  
Bryson Maddox  
Mary Margaret Blackett  
Dakotah Mercer  
Mikayla Schell  
Meghan Friedman  
Marinelle Cabacang  
Sebastian Myrthil  
Ragan Bell  
Bianca Johnson