



Mrs. Spears and Mrs. Metz-Nicholson

Kindergarten

Week of April 19-23, 2021

Greetings,

. We are preparing for our End of Year Assessments in May. Thank you for continuing to support your scholars' academic endeavors.

They will continue to soar!

Upcoming Event

April 23, 2021- International Festival 10:00 am

Academics

- **ELA - Phonemic Segmentation - CVC words, Main idea, Comprehension, Nonsense Words, Blends, Digraphs, Opposites**
- **Story – Clothes**
- **Sight Words: All introduced sight words should be written in the ABC book.**
- **Math - Unit 13 – Analyze, Compare and Create Shapes**
- **Science – Ecology/Earth Day**
- **Penmanship - We will continue practicing lowercase and uppercase letters**
- **Scholars should read 20 minutes nightly on Raz-Kids**

- **Mrs Spears - cell number (980) 428-3158/ work email mspears@friendshipcharlotte.org**
- **Mrs. Metz-Nicholson - cell number (980) 254-8377/ work email ametznicholson@friendshipcharlotte.org**

- **If you have an emergency, question or concern during instructional time, please text Mrs. Metz-Nicholson.**

Weekday Schedule (Monday-Friday)

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9:30-9:40 am	Morning Meeting
9:40-10:10 am	ELA Block
10:10-11:00 am	ELA Small Group & Learning Lab
11:00-11:30 am	Math Block
11:30 am-12:00 pm	Math Small Group & Learning Lab
12:00-12:30 pm	Science/Social Studies
12:30-1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00-2:00	Creative Arts
2:00	Dismissal
	Creative Arts Schedule: Monday-Art-1:00-2:00 pm Tuesday-Spanish-9:30 am 1:00-2:00 Violin Wednesday-P.E. -1:00-2:00 pm Thursday-Mindfulness-1:30-2:00 pm

- Scholars must not use the chat or additional screens during instructional time. If a scholar continues to chat and/or use other sites, the scholar will be removed from the session and will not be able to return to the Zoom meeting until the next learning session. Thank you for your support with this matter!

Thank you for your continued support !



First Grade Newsletter: April 19-23, 2021

Happy Monday First Grade Families!

I hope you enjoyed the beautiful weekend. Scholars returned from Spring Break refreshed and ready to soar. Your scholars are continuing to stay engaged and work hard during virtual instruction. You can support them at home by reviewing their daily work, helping them to stay organized and making sure they read daily, for at least 20 minutes. Please be sure to mark your calendars for the many upcoming events and important dates in this week's newsletter. Please pay special attention to FDS's first ever International Festival! As one of our 3 social opportunities during this pandemic, we are excited to see scholars and families at a fun, educational and uplifting event. Our class participation time is from 1:00-2:00pm. Hope to see you all there.

Friendly reminder, we have shortened our school day by 30 minutes for the remainder of the school year. Class will end at 3:00pm. Thank you for your continued partnership and support! Please continue to contact us with any questions and or concerns. Have a great week! ~Mrs. Ivory and Mr. Cunningham

MATH

We will review the assessment for Topic **6-Present and Interpret Data**. We will also begin Topic **7- Extend the Counting Sequence**. Scholars will understand counting forward by 1's to 120, that the decade numbers are built of groups of 10 and counting and place value patterns can be seen on a number chart.

Key Vocabulary

Hundred chart, tens digit, row, ones digit, column

*Reminder- The Savvas app has great enrichment and practice available to each scholar.

Creative Arts

Reader's Theatre- Scholars just finished viewing a theatrical performance of the classic, "Charlotte's Web". Scholars were very engaged in the storyline and the performances. Friday, scholars reflected on their experience and wrote about their favorite part of the play/story and illustrated a picture to match. Please be sure to have your scholar share their work and thoughts with you.

Creative Arts teachers assign grades for each class. **P= participates and N= needs to participate**. Be sure to talk with your scholar about participation.

Important Information, Dates and Events:

FDS Parent Group Meeting- Wednesday, April 21st @ 6:30pm, on Zoom.

Earth Day- Thursday, April 22.

International Festival- Friday, April 23rd, 1:00-2:00pm (Scholars and one parent are invited to attend the festival. Scholars must be accompanied by an adult, masks are required.)

STEM

Scholars continue to work with understanding **Pollen** and the relationship of **Pollinators** to our environment. Scholars will also celebrate **Earth Day** this week. Scholars are encouraged to wear Green that day and will be introduced to an end of year project related to Earth Day. Details to come.

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Scholars continue to explore the 50 United States. They are learning how to identify each state's shape (territory), name and spelling, as well as fun facts. Last week we traveled to **Ohio, Oklahoma and Oregon** with Google Maps.

ELA

Scholars will begin the week working with the informational supporting text, "**How an Apple Seed Grows**". Scholars will use this informational text to explore new benchmark vocabulary, write in response to reading and practice text analysis.

Letter of the week:
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Spelling Words

No spelling words this week

Read daily for at least 20 minutes.

Reading Resources
*RAZKids and Epic Books.

2nd Grade Weekly Post
Teacher: Mrs. Cureton
Cell Number – 704-369-3276
Instructional Assistant: Mrs. Bostick

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Important Information and Dates

Friday, April 23rd - The International Fair will feature the countries of Ghana, Costa Rica, France and China. There will be dancing, drumming, crafts and more. This will be the first of three in-person events for the remainder of the year to help meet the socialization needs of our scholars. So let's come to have a Great time! The schedule for our second graders is from 2:30 – 3:30. Parents please be prepared to remain at the fair the entire time with your scholar. There will be more information to come.

Homework

Penmanship (Cursive) – Please allow your scholar to place his/her writing packet at their workstation. We will continue using cursive penmanship sheets daily.

Math- XtraMath is an online math fact fluency program that helps students develop quick recall and automaticity of their basic math facts. Your scholar was provided a PIN and Username for the XtraMath site. Please allow your scholar to use this Math site to practice the math facts. Also, there will be an Online Topic 7 Assessment on Friday the 25th.

Spelling List – fortune, advised, tended, lovingly, precious, bright, believe, sometimes, their, pushed, danced, jumped, walked – There will be a spelling test on Friday.

Reading – Read at least 30 mins. daily. Complete your reading log daily. Please use Raz Kids as your main reading resource. I would like for all scholars to read a Raz Kids book daily and complete at least 2 reading comprehension tests per week. I will be monitoring their progress weekly. Your scholar may continue to enjoy all the wonderful books in Epic after completing the Raz Kids assignment.

Writing – Complete a journal entry on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** only. Please practice ELA narrative writing skills while completing your journals. Include a beginning, middle and end with at least two events. Do not forget to use words such as first, next, then, and finally to tell the order of events.

Check Daily – Reading Log, Journal (Tuesday and Thursday), Practice Addition and Subtraction Facts on XtraMath site. Practice your cursive writing on a separate sheet of lined paper. Please do not use the cursive writing sheets from school.

Current Topics of Study

ELA	MATH	STEMScopes	SOCIAL STUDIES
<u>Unit 4</u> Trade Book <u>Seek the Sun</u> Benchmark Vocabulary Fortune, Advised, Tended, Lovingly, Precious <u>Irregular Plural Nouns</u> <u>Reading Analysis</u> Determine the Central Moral, Character Responses <u>Cursive Writing</u> Ll, Mm, Nn, Oo, Pp	<u>Topic 7 Review</u> <u>Reteaching</u> Represent Addition and Subtraction Problems, Mixed Practice Solving Addition and Subtraction Problems, Solve 2 Step Problems, Reasoning. <u>Topic 7 Online</u> <u>Assessment</u>	<u>Generation Genius</u> Reducing Our Impact on Earth <u>Vocabulary</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce • Reuse • Recycle • Pollution • Natural Resource • Landfill • Impact • Problem • Solution 	<u>History</u> <u>180 Days of Social</u> <u>Studies</u> Pages 95 – 99 <u>Then and Now</u> <u>Daily Life:</u> Clothing, Activities, Foods, School, Houses

Mrs. Dixon and Mrs. Gordon

Third Grade

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Important Information, Dates, and

Upcoming Events

- ❖ Enriched Virtual Learning- Starts back the week of April 19th!

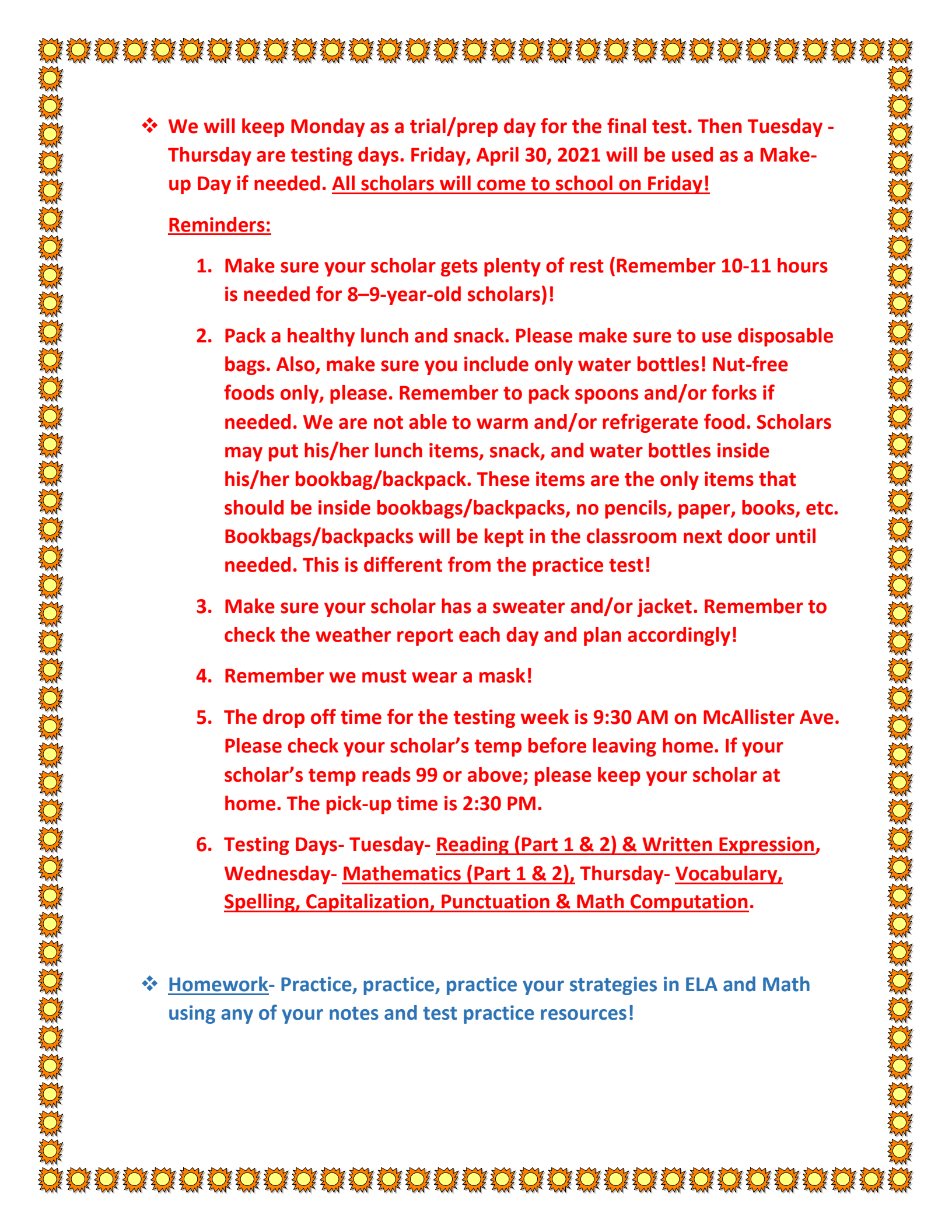
- ❖ FDS Parent Group Meeting- Wednesday, April 21st 6:30 PM on Zoom!

- ❖ INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL- Friday, April 23rd 3rd Grade time is 11:30 AM!
Parents and Guardians, please bring your scholar to FDS to participate with the fun festival activities!

- ❖ 3rd Grade Zoom Class times on Friday, April 23rd (International Festival) -
 1. 9:30 AM start time, break for the festival at 10:30 AM, and resume at 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM.
 2. If you are working with the festival and your scholar must be with you, your scholar will not have to log onto Zoom class for this day.

- ❖ New Zoom Class Meeting ID starting Friday, April 23rd- Our new meeting ID # 873 9406 3266. This meeting ID# will work until the end of school year, Tuesday, June 8th!

- ❖ Standardized Final Test- Week of Monday, April 26, 2021 – Friday, April 30, 2021. We will follow the same schedule we followed for the Standardized Practice Test!

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- ❖ We will keep Monday as a trial/prep day for the final test. Then Tuesday - Thursday are testing days. Friday, April 30, 2021 will be used as a Make-up Day if needed. All scholars will come to school on Friday!

Reminders:

1. Make sure your scholar gets plenty of rest (Remember 10-11 hours is needed for 8–9-year-old scholars)!
 2. Pack a healthy lunch and snack. Please make sure to use disposable bags. Also, make sure you include only water bottles! Nut-free foods only, please. Remember to pack spoons and/or forks if needed. We are not able to warm and/or refrigerate food. Scholars may put his/her lunch items, snack, and water bottles inside his/her bookbag/backpack. These items are the only items that should be inside bookbags/backpacks, no pencils, paper, books, etc. Bookbags/backpacks will be kept in the classroom next door until needed. This is different from the practice test!
 3. Make sure your scholar has a sweater and/or jacket. Remember to check the weather report each day and plan accordingly!
 4. Remember we must wear a mask!
 5. The drop off time for the testing week is 9:30 AM on McAllister Ave. Please check your scholar's temp before leaving home. If your scholar's temp reads 99 or above; please keep your scholar at home. The pick-up time is 2:30 PM.
 6. Testing Days- Tuesday- Reading (Part 1 & 2) & Written Expression, Wednesday- Mathematics (Part 1 & 2), Thursday- Vocabulary, Spelling, Capitalization, Punctuation & Math Computation.
- ❖ Homework- Practice, practice, practice your strategies in ELA and Math using any of your notes and test practice resources!



Thank you for all your support!