



From the Principals Desk

CES Students are in the Spotlight throughout the Month of May!

May is the time of year when Crookshank students participate in many end-of-year performances and exciting experiences. We wish Mrs. Linekin's "Battle of the Books" Team good luck at the May 10 competition at Gamble Rogers Middle School! All Cougar third graders will be guests of Friends of A1A Scenic and Historical Coastal Byway at Kids Ocean Day on May 12. Our drama actors have been rehearsing for months to perform "Aladdin" for parents and family members at 6 p.m. on Friday May 19. Plan to join us for the big show!

Congratulations and Goodbye to our Remarkable Fifth Grade Cougars!

Very soon we will have to say goodbye to our fifth graders, who will be moving up to sixth grade at Sebastian and Murray Middle Schools after the class is promoted at SAHS at 9 a.m. on May 24. The Class of 2017 is a group of especially fine boys and girls who will be greatly missed at Crookshank. We thank them for their leadership involvement in many areas and we wish them the very best as they complete their elementary school experience.

2017 CES Yearbook is available- get them while they last!

Many thanks to Dr. Liz Beute for coordinating Crookshank's yearbook again this year. It's exciting to see the professional look of our school memory book. The quality of the student drawings and photographs is very high. Yearbook sales are in progress and will continue until all books are sold. Last year, the extra yearbooks were sold very quickly, so if you didn't place a preorder, please plan to buy your yearbook quickly!

Notes and Reminders

The last day to return library books is Friday, May 12. Please help your children locate any missing books as soon as possible. Families will be responsible for missing or damaged books.

Thank you for taking time to make certain that your children's lunch accounts are paid-in-full. Although lunch balances can be carried over to the coming school year, negative balances are not allowed.

We are hoping that third grade FSA Reading and Math scores will arrive by the end of May; however fourth and fifth grade assessments will not be announced until late summer. We will announce our receipt of official score reports in a School Messenger message in July. Parents will be encouraged to pick them up at that time.



Don't forget:



Field Day

Monday, May 22

Students should wear - shorts, sunscreen, tennis shoes and socks

Students should bring - hat and water bottle (Please put their name on them.)

Come on a Magic Carpet Ride



Free of charge but there will be a donation box available to support the drama club!

Friday, May 19th

Doors open at 6pm and show starts at 6:30 pm

Additional shows open to the public at 9:15 am Thursday, May 18 and Tuesday, May 23rd. These are performances for the students so seating will be limited.

All seating is first come, first serve.



As we near the end of the school year, I would like to remind you that your child's medication should be picked up from the clinic by WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2017.

School policy does not allow for medication to remain in the school over the summer. It will be important for you to make arrangements to pick up your child's medication since **medications may NOT go home with the student. Any medication left in the clinic after **WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2017, will be discarded according to policy.** If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Roxane Smith, RN, School Nurse at 904-547-7832. Thank you and have a safe and fun summer.**



LIBRARY LINES

MARY LINEKIN, MEDIA SPECIALIST

WHAT A GREAT YEAR! OUR STUDENTS HAVE CHECKED OUT OVER 17,000 BOOKS THIS YEAR! KINDERGARTEN THROUGH SECOND GRADE STUDENTS DO NEED TO RETURN THEIR BOOKS TO THE LIBRARY NOW, AS ALL BOOKS ARE BEING RETURNED TO THE SHELVES FOR THE YEAR'S END INVENTORY. THIRD THROUGH 5TH GRADE STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO KEEP THEIR BOOKS UNTIL MAY 12TH. PLEASE ASSIST OUR SCHOOL BY RETURNING LIBRARY BOOKS QUICKLY. IF YOU RECEIVE A LATE NOTICE FROM OUR SCHOOL, PLEASE LOOK FOR THE BOOKS, AND IF NOT FOUND, PLEASE SEND THE REPLACEMENT COST.

RECENTLY, WE HOSTED KAREN NEWSOME FROM THE ST. JOHNS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY TO HELP US CELEBRATE SCHOOL LIBRARY WEEK. MS. NEWSOME PUT ON A DRAMATIC STORYTELLING EVENT FOR SEVERAL K-3 CLASSES. THE STUDENTS WERE ABLE TO IMAGINATIVELY CREATE A GROUP STORY AND CREATE A STORY WEB USING A BALL OF YARN. THE KIDS ENJOYED THE DRAMATIC ACTING.

OUR BATTLE OF THE BOOKS TEAM IS GEARING UP FOR THE MAY 10TH EVENT, HELD AT GAMBLE ROGERS. TEAM MEMBERS PRACTICE EVERY DAY, AND SOMETIMES TWICE A DAY. OUR TEAM WILL COMPETE AGAINST OTHER SCHOOLS AS STUDENTS DEMONSTRATE THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF THE 15 SUNSHINE STATE YOUNG READERS AWARD NOVELS. THANK YOU TO SUPPORTIVE PARENTS FOR GETTING THEIR SONS AND DAUGHTERS TO EARLY PRACTICES! THIS BATTLE OF THE BOOKS EVENT IS OFFERED IN ALL OF OUR ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOLS AND IS EXTREMELY CHALLENGING.

I HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER BREAK. PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR SON AND DAUGHTER TO READ, READ, READ OVER THE SUMMER.

A PUBLIC LIBRARY CARD IS A WONDERFUL GIFT TO PRESENT TO YOUR CHILD!

PROTECT YOUR CHILD AGAINST SUMMER
READING LOSS!!!!!!

THE RESEARCH IS CLEAR THAT CHILDREN WHO DON'T READ DURING THE SUMMER CAN LOSE UP TO THREE MONTHS OF READING PROGRESS AND THAT LOSS HAS A CUMULATIVE, LONG-TERM EFFECT. THE FOLLOWING RESOURCES AND ARTICLES PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT SUMMER READING AND SUMMER LEARNING LOSS. PLUS YOU'LL DISCOVER GREAT ACTIVITIES TO ENCOURAGE KIDS TO LEARN, READ, AND HAVE FUN IN THE SUMMER SUN!

WWW.READWRITETHINK.ORG

WWW.GUYSREAD.COM

WWW.READKIDDOREAD.COM

WWW.DROPEVERYTHINGANDREAD.COM

YOU CAN PROTECT YOUR CHILD AGAINST SUMMER READING LOSS:

- * HAVE YOUR STUDENT(S) PARTICIPATE IN THE CROOKSHANK SUMMER READING OLYMPICS!!!
- * ENCOURAGE YOUR STUDENT TO READ A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT MATERIALS, BUT LET YOUR STUDENT CHOOSE!
- * DISCUSS STORIES OR ARTICLES YOU HAVE BOTH READ
- * ASK YOUR STUDENT QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT WAS READ
- * ENCOURAGE YOUR STUDENT TO WRITE A RESPONSE TO WHAT WAS READ
- * ENSURE YOUR STUDENT READS AT LEAST ONE BOOK EVERY TEN DAYS. THE AMOUNT OF TIME SPENT READING OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL IS IMPORTANT. FOR EXAMPLE, A STUDENT WHO READS 21 MINUTES PER DAY OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL READS ALMOST 2 MILLION WORDS PER YEAR, WHEREAS A STUDENT WHO READS LESS THAN A MINUTE PER DAY OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL READS ONLY 8,000 TO 21,000 WORDS PER YEAR.



BEST ways to PREVENT
SUMMER LEARNING LOSS

Have your child read at least
20 MINUTES PER DAY



Students who read
20 minutes
a day score in the
90th percentile

Students who read
5 minutes
a day score only in the
50th percentile

Visit the
Library.

Find reasons for your
child to **practice**
writing skills.

Write...

a book, a blog, a zine, a poem

* Anne E. Cunningham and Keith E. Stanovich, What Reading Does for the Mind, The American Federation of Teachers, American Educator, Vol. 22, No. 1-2, pp. 8-15.

Engage in meaningful
conversations with
your child.

Stimulating
conversations **boost**
language skills.

Quick Conversation Tips:
1. Ask questions.
2. Be positive.
3. Give your full attention.
4. Be encouraging.

Audio Books

Instead of listening
to the **radio**, listen
to **audio books**
during **long drives**.

Model Reading Behavior



If your child sees
you reading,
they will want
to read as well.

Read to your child
This builds
listening skills,
imagination, and
increases vocabulary

Learn a new word each week.

Post the new word with its
definition and have a contest
for who can use it the most
times in one week.

Reciprocity
Plethora
Erudition
Panacea
Fait Accompli
Equanimity

COOK
with your child



Have your child follow a recipe.
This enhances both reading and math skills.

Big Universe

www.biguniverse.com

Engage Students. Empower Teachers.



READING OLYMPICS

Parents! Make Sure Your Student Participates in the John A. Crookshank Summer Reading Olympics!

CHECK THE ENVELOPE YOUR STUDENT BRINGS HOME FROM THE END OF THE YEAR AWARDS DAY CEREMONY. INSIDE YOU WILL FIND ALL THE DETAILS OF THE SUMMER READING OLYMPICS, A SUMMER READING LOG, AND A SUGGESTED LIST OF BOOKS WHICH YOUR STUDENT CAN READ OVER THE SUMMER.

AND A FREE BOOK FOR YOUR STUDENT SO HE/SHE CAN START READING RIGHT AWAY!!!!

WE WILL HAVE 3 CATEGORIES OF WINNERS BASED ON HOW MUCH READING YOUR STUDENT DOES OVER THE SUMMER.

GRADES K-2: BRONZE MEDAL WINNER-READ 15 TO 29 BOOKS - WIN A MEDAL AND AN ICE CREAM SUNDAE PARTY WITH DR. GORICKI!

SILVER MEDAL WINNER-READ 30 TO 44 BOOKS - WIN A MEDAL, ONE COUPON BOOK GOOD FOR LOTS OF FUN THINGS AT CROOKSHANK AND AN ICE CREAM SUNDAE PARTY WITH DR. GORICKI!

GOLD MEDAL WINNER- READ 45 OR MORE BOOKS-WIN A MEDAL, TWO COUPON BOOKS GOOD FOR FUN STUFF AT CROOKSHANK AND AN ICE CREAM SUNDAE PARTY WITH DR. GORICKI!
(IT IS OK FOR PREK AND KINDERGARTENERS TO COUNT BOOKS THAT PARENTS READ TO THEM OVER THE SUMMER.)

GRADES 3-4: BRONZE MEDAL WINNER-READ 1,000 TO 1,499 PAGES-WIN A MEDAL AND AN ICE CREAM SUNDAE PARTY WITH DR. GORICKI!

SILVER MEDAL WINNER-READ 1,500 TO 1,999 PAGES-WIN A MEDAL, ONE COUPON BOOK GOOD FOR FUN STUFF AT CROOKSHANK, AND AN ICE CREAM SUNDAE PARTY WITH DR. GORICKI!

BRONZE MEDAL WINNER-READ 2,000 OR MORE PAGES-WIN A MEDAL, TWO COUPON BOOKS GOOD FOR FUN STUFF AT CROOKSHANK, AND AN ICE CREAM SUNDAE PARTY WITH DR. GORICKI!

PARENTS, YOU WILL NEED TO SIGN THE STUDENT'S READING LOG EACH TIME THE STUDENT READS FOR THEM TO GET CREDIT IN THE CONTEST.

THE BEST PART: THE PUBLIC LIBRARY'S BOOKMOBILE WILL BE AT CROOKSHANK EVERY TUESDAY IN JUNE!

YOUR STUDENT WILL BE ABLE TO BORROW BOOKS TO READ RIGHT HERE AT CROOKSHANK! THE BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE WILL ALSO BE IN THE ENVELOPE YOUR STUDENT BRINGS HOME FROM THE AWARDS DAY CEREMONY.

WHAT'S A COUPON BOOK??? THE COUPON BOOK CONTAINS REWARD COUPONS. THERE IS A "NO HOME-WORK" PASS, A COUPON GOOD FOR WEARING A HAT FOR A DAY, A COUPON TO ATTEND PTO MOVIE NIGHT FREE, A COUPON FOR AN EXTRA 10 MINUTES OF RECESS, A COUPON FOR 15 MINUTES OF FREE CHOICE COMPUTER TIME, A COUPON TO BE A HELPER IN A LOWER GRADE FOR 1 HOUR, AND MANY MORE!!!!

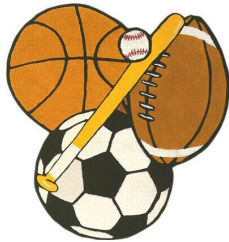
We were honored to present Caleb Farrell with a donation from the Bee Healthy 5k Run that was held at Crookshank in September. Caleb is a former Crookshank student who was diagnosed with a brain tumor about 2 years ago. Since part of the proceeds from the Bee Healthy 5k were to go to a person in medical need, we were honored and humbled to give the donation to Caleb and his mom. They were very grateful! Once a Cougar, always a Cougar!



FOOD THAT'S IN WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT!

Any Student who is 18 years of age or younger may receive free, nutritious meals at **Crookshank Elementary School (June 12th-July 14th), or **ST. AUGUSTINE HIGH SCHOOL** (June 5th-July 21st). The Emergency Services Homeless Coalition will also be serving meals June 5th-July 21st in addition to **THE SOLOMON CALHOUN CENTER**. Please call **904-547-8932** or **211** to inquire about the serving times or any additional locations serving meals.**

Immunizations School and Sports Physicals



Ketterlinus Elementary School

67 Orange Street

(Parking available across the street in school parking lot)

Tuesday, July 11th

9:00am - 3:00pm

Walk-in Only

Last walk-in taken at 2pm

NO CHARGE TO YOU FOR SERVICES

Children ages 4 – 18 years old

Immunizations are available.

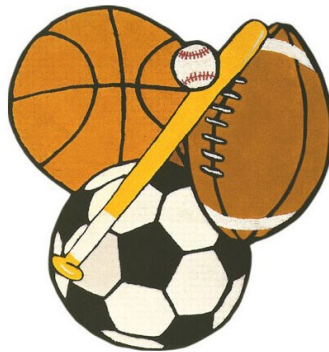
Must bring current shot record. Out of state records are acceptable.

Questions? Call (904) 547-7628



Immunizations

School and Sports Physicals



Pacetti Bay Middle School
245 Meadowlark Lane
St. Augustine, FL 32092

Tuesday, July 18th
9:00am - 3:00pm
Walk-in Only

NO CHARGE TO YOU FOR SERVICES