



Casper News

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All Pro Dad

The last All Pro Dad will be Thursday, April 26th. It will be a pool party at the YMCA. Make sure to be on the look out for the RSVP flyer! It will be a fun evening!

MVP of the Month

Congratulations to all of our MVPs in the month of March for Tolerance! For the month of April the Key to Character is Citizenship. "Ask not what your country can do for you—ask what you can do for your country."- JFK



Updated FSA Testing Dates

Grade	Subject Area	Method Given	Testing Date(s)
3rd	English Language Arts (Reading)	Paper/Pencil	April 10 & 11
	Math	Computer	May 3 & 4
4th	English Language Arts (Reading/Listening)	Computer	May 8 & 9
	Math	Computer	April 19 & 20
5th	English Language Arts (Reading/Listening)	Computer	April 24 & 25
	Math	Computer	April 17 & 18
	Science	Paper/Pencil	May 1 & 2
3rd-5th	Florida Alternate Assessment	Paper/Pencil	Feb. 27-April 14



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Monday, April 2	Report Card Dinner Night Art Show
Tuesday, April 3	Report Cards Go Home
Wednesday, April 4	Casper Kid Awards Celebration
Tuesday, April 10	Walk-A-Thon Kick-Off
April 10 & 11	3rd FSA ELA
April 17 & 18	5th FSA Math
April 19 & 20	4th FSA Math
Monday, April 23	Secretary Appreciation Day
Tuesday, April 24	Walk-A-Thon
Wednesday, April 25	Interims Go Home Popsicles and Progress Reports
April 24 & 25	5th FSA ELA
Thursday, April 26	All Pro Dad Event
May 1 & 2	5th Science
Friday, May 4	MVP of the Month (April-Citizenship) PBIS Monthly Grade Level Reward
May 3 & 4	3rd FSA Math
May 8 & 9	4th FSA Math

Please make sure your student gets a good night's rest, has a good breakfasts, and arrives to school on time when testing. Breakfast is served in the cafeteria from 7:30 am—8:00 am.

March Madness Winners!

These are the winners for the first two weeks of our March Madness! These classes had the highest percentage of attendance in K, 1st, and 2nd, and 3rd, 4th, and 5th based on students who were here the entire day!

Week 1	Mrs. Williamson and Ms. Jewell
Week 2	Mrs. Williamson and Ms. Sherer

Education is like a baseball game, it needs all its players: parent, teacher, student, and community.



Special Areas Walk-A-Thon

Our annual Walk-A-Thon will kick-off Tuesday, April 10th. Volunteers are needed on the day of the Walk-A-Thon Thursday, April 26th. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Coach Highley.





Kindergarten

Welcome to April! We are winding down our year but not our teaching and learning. As we move into April we are working on our 4th Quarter Words. Congratulations to any student that has completed 1st through 3rd quarter words. We also want to brag on those that have finished their 4th quarter words-Way to Go! We still need to encourage the others that we still need them to continue to learn them. We are learning how to read with fluency and intonation. We are focusing on key details within the text and how to write about what we are reading about. We are using transitional words and focusing on our grammar. Believe it or not but your Kindergartner is learning about prepositional phrases and digraphs. Check out digraph songs-your child will let you know the ones we use in class. We love to sing them in class. We are currently working in geometry with shapes and their positions within the environment. We have learned about sides, vertices (corners) and the difference between 2D & 3D shapes. We are continuing to work in IStation every day. Our school was very fortunate to get 5 iPads for each of our classrooms, which increases the number of students working on their specific skills and weekly goals with just the existing desktops. Don't forget that IStation is a tool for our students because it goes by what their level is and keeps increasing it to practice skills that they need assistance with. We will be working closely and harder to finish the month strong. Enjoy!



First Grade

Welcome back from spring break! The first grade teachers appreciate any help from you, as we get our students back in routine. We will be ready to finish the year strong. We will be learning what we need to know for next year and reviewing our skills for the end of the year testing. We ask that you continue to practice, math facts for addition and subtraction, telling time, and counting money. In Math the final unit will be on geometry working with shapes. We also will be working closely with your child on comprehending what they are reading and practicing to read fluently. Thank you for your support,
The First Grade Team



Third Grade

Please make sure that your child is reading each and every evening. In reading, we have been focusing on the author's point of view and our own point of view as readers. In math we are learning about time and how to use and construct graphs. In science we learned about plant parts and their functions regarding photosynthesis. State testing is upon us and we need your help. Please have your child to school on time each morning. Also, staying the entire school day is important as we review what we have learned to prepare for the test.



Fifth Grade

Dear Fifth Grade Parents,
We are well into the final nine weeks of the school year, but there is still much to do! Fifth grade students have started working on their science fair projects. No matter what project your child decides to do, the focus should be on following a scientific method to test their hypothesis. The packet is very detailed and provides explanation and examples every step of the way. Fifth grade teachers will be sending home the display boards so you do not need to purchase a board. The final project is due on April 23rd. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.
Sincerely,
Your Fifth Grade Team



Fourth Grade

Parents,
Welcome back! We hope everyone had a fun-filled Spring Break. April is a busy month for fourth grade. First is our trip to Circle B Ranch in Lakeland to learn about the environment. The very next week we will be completing our state assessments. We have all worked very hard and we believe our students are ready to show what they know!
April 11, 2018 – Ellis/Neumon to Circle B
April 12, 2018 – English/Jewell to Circle B
April 16-19 FSA Testing
Also, please be aware of the skills we are currently working on:
We are working on Geometry
We are working to develop reading and writing skills daily
We are ready to begin our unit on Life Science
We are also learning about the Seminole Wars and Civil War in Social Studies.
If you are looking for ways to help your fourth grader, please encourage them to complete any homework that is sent, read their library books and practice their basic multiplication facts. We appreciate all you do!
Your Partners in Education,
4th Grade Team



Second Grade

Spring is here and so is the fourth nine weeks!
We are excited to begin working on money skills in math!
Second grade teachers would appreciate donations of real pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters to use during instruction. It will be nice for the students to learn about money with real coins. We will not be able to return the coins. At home please practice identifying coins and their value, writing the amount, counting money, counting dollars, and adding and subtracting money within \$2.00. Encourage your child to reach their last AR goal of the year. Students can search for any books read at home on the AR site and take a quiz if it's available.
Please be advised that any remaining field trips for second grade will be part of a PBIS reward and the students will have to earn 80% of their points to attend.