



# Seahawk Sentinel



*Mission: To provide a safe and supportive learning community where every student experiences success.*

*Vision: We believe that the most promising strategy for achieving the mission of Cape Elementary is to develop our capacity to function as a professional learning community.*

April 27, 2018

## ***A MESSAGE FROM YOUR ADMINISTRATORS***

Dear Cape Families,

The end of the year is just around the corner. It does not seem possible that another school year has come and is almost gone. I do hope your child has not only enjoyed the year but has grown in many areas. Many of the goals established at the beginning of the school year have been accomplished. Throughout the year, we have had so many opportunities to see how our student achievement goals like fluency, AR, iReady, Compass and math facts have been actively embraced by all staff, students and stakeholders. We are so proud of students' growth this year at Cape.

Your children are surrounded by caring and dedicated Cape staff members each day! April 30 - May 4 is Staff Appreciation week. Please take a moment to thank a teacher, paraprofessional, bus driver, or café worker! It is an honor to lead this wonderful staff each day.

Our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders did an outstanding job on the writing portion of the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). Our 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Graders will continue to show everyone what they have learned in English Language Arts, Math and Science! They will have the opportunity to take the FSA in the month of May. Please look at the attached calendar or on our website for specific dates. Limited homework will be given during FSA testing days.

Please make sure your children are:

- at school each day by 7:45.
- well rested.
- fed a nutritious breakfast.

We look forward to seeing all of you at our Celebrations of Learning, our end of year awards. Please look for grade level dates and times in this newsletter, in the school calendar, in your child's planner or on our website.

While we look forward with excitement and anticipation to the upcoming school year, we look to our fifth graders to remind us of the past and of all that has been learned and accomplished throughout their years in elementary school. Parents and relatives are invited to the Fifth Grade Celebration of Learning at North Fort Myers High School on Wednesday, May 23 at 10:00 a.m. Parents may begin arriving at 9:30.

Thanks for your continued support of Cape Elementary. We are finishing this school year Cape Strong!

Sincerely,

Nicole Osterholm and Kristi Sund



The end of the 2017-2018 school year is almost here! We are so thankful for each and every person who has helped support our school!

Our last PTO meeting will be on May 2nd in the Cape Elementary library at 6:00pm. It is extremely important that parents attend. For the 2018-2019 school year, our PTO executive board will have 3 out of 4 vacancies to fill. The 4 positions of the board are President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Cape Elementary PTO's success is dependent on parents who are willing to step up and fill these seats. It is imperative that these positions be filled or the PTO will be forced to dissolve.

We are so grateful for the time and effort that our past board members have contributed and we look forward to welcoming new members for the upcoming school year!

Please reach out if you are interested in becoming a member of our PTO board. The positions are time consuming but the payoff of smiling students makes it all worthwhile.

*"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."* Margaret Mead

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

## Thank You Business Partners

Jim Fischer Realty  
 Quality Pest Control  
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 Bob Evans Restaurant  
 Cape Coral First United Methodist Church  
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## 2018-2019 Information

Please make note of the following information regarding next school year.

### Meet the Teacher Night

(Tentative Date)

Wednesday, August 8th, 5-7pm

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### First Day of School

Friday, August 10th

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### Free Breakfast & Lunch

We are pleased to announce that all Cape Elementary School students will qualify for the Community Eligibility Program (CEP) for the 2018-2019 school year. This means all students will be able to receive both breakfast and lunch free of charge next school year.

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### Not Returning to Cape?

If you are moving out of the area and will not be returning to our school in August, please send a note or email with details to the front office or your child's teacher before the last day of school. Thank you in advance for your help.

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### Address Changes

Please notify Cape Elementary if you are moving over the summer. These updates are important as bus routes are established during the summer months to prepare for 2018-2019. Please call for more information regarding address changes. 542-3551.

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### Birthday Wishes on the Marquee!

New for 2018-2019....For \$20 per message, you can see your child's name on the Marquee (front of school) in celebration of his/her birthday!  
 More details to come!

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### Have A Happy & Safe Summer!

### The School Board of Lee County

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## May Counseling Corner

The district-wide character word for May is Patience. This is defined as the capacity to accept or tolerate delay, trouble, or suffering without getting angry or upset. Traits of patience include: Waiting my turn; not complaining when I don't get my way; accepting what cannot be changed; using my time wisely, and trying again when at first I don't succeed.

In today's world, patience is rarely practiced, and when we are forced to BE patient, our attitude is generally not what it should be.

Is it possible to teach patience? According to an article on Parenting.com, (Skolnik, Deborah. *How to Teach Patience*, 2017) it is. Here are a few suggestions from the experts:

- Don't come running every time your child asks you to do something. Say, 'I can't do that right now,' so your child does not expect immediate gratification.
- Praise your child when she waits without whining - reinforce the behavior.
- Do projects together that require patience. For example, sprinkle grass seeds over moist soil in a cup, cover it with plastic wrap and set it on a sunny window sill. In a few days, your child can enjoy the sprouts.
- Break out a sand timer occasionally. If your child is taking turns on the computer with a sibling, it will provide a visual of how the time is passing.
- Deliver on promises. Don't say you'll take your child to the park after lunch then start the laundry instead. It is important to maintain trust. If your child waits, you need to follow through.

If you didn't pick up a TALK 15 bag at Spring Fling, I have a few left - Please ask for one in the front office. TALK 15, a campaign created by Lee County School District in partnership with the United Way, encourages parents to take time to start talking and laying the groundwork for safe, healthy, and drug-free kids. The bag contains resources for parents to get informed, get involved and stay connected with their kids.

Our final SOAR celebration for the 2017-18 school year will take place on Tuesday, May 22. Students are encouraged to dress up this day with a tropical flair. Those who have reached their SOAR goals for this quarter will attend a Luau Dance Party!

Enjoy your break! We will continue to come up with even more fun and exciting ways to celebrate our students' positive choices in the upcoming school year. As always, thanks for partnering with us here at Cape Elementary to ensure that character-building continues every day - even during the summer!



## From Our School Nurse



### End of Year Reminder

As the school year ends, we need to remind parents to pick up their child's medication. We cannot keep medications in the school over the summer. Medication can be picked up anytime between now and the end of the year. We will keep just enough of the medication to finish the school year.

Any medication left in the clinic after the end of the school year will be discarded.

We wish each of you a safe and healthy summer!

## CKC News

### (Before/After School Program)

We are now registering for the 2018- 2019 school year. We are offering a discount this year to all of our families that register their children before May 25. You will receive \$10.00 off the registration of each child in your family. We won't be sending home registration forms this summer through the mail. Please make sure your child is registered before the end of the school year in order to take advantage of this discounted price. Applications are available in the CKC office.

Our staff would like to extend wishes for a safe and enjoyable summer vacation!

## Cape Strong....and Proud!

### Congratulations are in order!

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#### Ann Hannaway

2018 Cape Elementary Teacher of the Year!

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#### Carrie Troxell

2018 CC Chamber of Commerce Excellence in Education Educator!

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#### Kyndal Archambault

2018 CC Chamber of Commerce Excellence in Education Student!



# CAPE ELEMENTARY

## MAY 2018

| Sunday                | Monday                                | Tuesday                                                                                                             | Wednesday                                                                     | Thursday                                                                  | Friday                                                                                                         | Saturday |
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|                       |                                       | 1<br>FSA Grade 3-ELA                                                                                                | 2<br>FSA Grade 3-ELA<br>PTO and SAC Meeting<br>6:00 p.m.                      | 3<br>FSA Grade 4 & 5-ELA                                                  | 4<br>FSA Grade 4 & 5-ELA                                                                                       | 5        |
| 6                     | 7                                     | 8<br>FSA Grade 4 & 5-Math                                                                                           | 9<br>FSA Grade 4 & 5-Math<br>4th & 5th<br>Spring Choir Concert<br>6:00 p.m.   | 10<br>FSA Grade 3-Math                                                    | 11<br>FSA Grade 3-Math                                                                                         | 12       |
| 13<br>Mother's<br>Day | 14                                    | 15<br>FSA Grade 5-Science                                                                                           | 16<br>FSA Grade 5-Science                                                     | 17                                                                        | 18                                                                                                             | 19       |
| 20                    | 21<br>5th Grade<br>Busch Gardens Trip | 22<br>SOAR Celebration                                                                                              | 23<br>5th Grade<br>Promotion Ceremony<br>10:00 a.m.                           | 24<br>Celebration of Learning<br>Grade 3: 8:15 a.m.<br>Grade 4: 9:30 a.m. | 25<br>Celebration of Learning<br>Grade 1: 8:15 a.m.<br>Grade 2: 9:30 a.m.<br>Early Dismissal Day<br>12:10 p.m. | 26       |
| 27                    | 28<br>Memorial Day<br>School Closed   | 29<br>Celebration of Learning<br>Grade KG: 9:30 a.m.<br>Last Day for Backpacks<br>Early Dismissal Day<br>12:10 p.m. | 30<br>Students Last Day<br>Report Card Day<br>Early Dismissal Day<br>12:10 pm | 31                                                                        |                                                                                                                |          |