

Cafferata Connection

Hector A Cafferata Jr. Elementary • March/April 2017

PRINCIPALS OFFICE

It's spring time and as we move into this time of year, we also begin to start the testing cycle for our students. As a parent, we always want to do the best for our child. Here are 3 simple things that will help your child as they go through this process:



1. Building their self-confidence - Your child has been learning all year. They are ready and need to hear it. Give them a pep talk the night before and/or again on the car ride over. Remind them that they studied hard, they're ready and they'll do fine.

2. Making sure they get a good night sleep - This may seem trivial, but it's amazing what a well-rested mind and body can do versus one that is groggy and feeling the urge to nod off at every turn. It might also be a great time to drop those parental restrictions on video games, television, or other activities to help them relax before bedtime.

3. Making them a good breakfast - making sure the body and mind are nourished to be able to think clearly and perform as needed. Please take a few moments to give you child a good healthy breakfast either at home or get them to school early enough to eat breakfast (remember it's free every morning at school for every child prior to 7:50)

Thanks again for all your time and hard work with your child. We appreciate your help and support.

Wes Moreland



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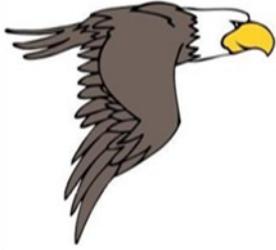
- 3rd** Read Across America
- 17th** No School Teacher Duty Day
- 21st** Spring Picture Day
- 21st** SAC Meeting @ 2:45 pm
- 29th** Report Card Day
- 31st** Spring Fling

April 2017

- 7th** Field Day
- 10th-17th** No School Spring Break
- 25th** SAC Meeting @ 2:45 pm
- 27th** Interim Day

Translations

If you need to speak with someone in Spanish whether on the phone or in the office, our translators are available 8 am - 8:45 am and then again 12:50 pm - 1:20 pm.



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I want to encourage you to contact me if you have any suggestions or questions.
I am here to help support you and your children!

FIRST ENROLLMENT PERIOD

The first enrollment period for the 2017-2018 school year is fast approaching (Jan. 23, 2017 - Mar. 24, 2017). Applications will be mailed to parents on Jan.19, 2017.

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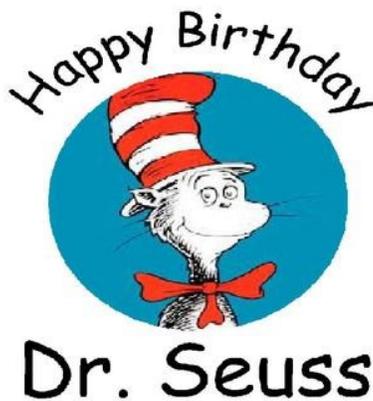
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Located in the Cape Coral Technical College, off of Pine Island Road,
just north of Roger Dean Chevrolet.

Read Across America

We will celebrate
Read Across America Day
on Friday, March 3rd.
To emphasize the importance
of reading, we will have a
special guest reader for
each classroom.



The whole school is excited about our upcoming Book Fair! Mark your calendar for our Family Event where the entire family can join in on the fun as well as contributing books to your child's classroom library.

We will have our Book Fair open the week of March 20th through March 24th during school hours.

Hope to see everyone participate in a great family event.

Book Fair <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/cafferata>

Cafferata's Annual Spring Fling

Friday, March 31st

5:30-7:30 PM



Get your tickets at the event or in the Front Office March 27th - 31st from 7:30-8:00 AM

Preparing Students for Florida Standards

Assessment (FSA)

<http://www.FSAssessments.org>

Parents can promote student success by staying involved in their child's education, offering positive support and feedback and encouraging them to relax and do their very best. By staying connected with their student's school and teachers and taking advantage of online resources, such as school websites and portals. Parents can stay informed and be best equipped to meet the needs of their students at home.



TEST TAKING TIPS FOR PARENTS

Here are some things you can do to help your child/children be as successful as possible:

- Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep before a test. Seven to ten (7-10) hours is a good night sleep for elementary aged children.
- Make sure your child eats a proper breakfast the day of the test.
- Ensure your child has taken any needed medication.
- Ensure your child is at school on time every day. Children who are late may have to take the test later, which is not an ideal testing environment.
- If your child is sick, please call the school office right away.
- Wish your child good luck each morning of the test. Tell your child that he/she is special and that you believe in him/her!
- Remind your child that each test is important. Encourage him/her to try his/her best.
- Remind your child to listen carefully to the instructions from the teacher and to read the directions and each question carefully.
- Encourage your child to use time wisely during the test and not to get stuck on a particular question.
- Tell your child to attempt to answer all of the questions and not to leave any blank.
- If your child is disappointed after a test, reassure him or her!