

## THE TORCH

Monday	4-19	FSA Reading for 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade. Day D in the Related Arts Schedule
Tuesday	4-20	FSA Reading for 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade. Day E in the Related Arts Schedule.
Wednesday	4-21	FSA Reading for 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Distance Learners. Wear Purple to support military
		children. Early Release Day – Dismissal starts at 1:45. Day F in the Related
		Arts Schedule
Thursday	4-22	FSA Reading for 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Distance Learners.
		Day A in the Related Arts Schedule
Friday	4-23	Wear a Green or Blue shirt for Earth Day. Day B in the Related Arts Schedule.

Hello Wards Creek Family! This week our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students begin their FSA journey. Last week Mrs. Mitidieri and Mr. Klein visited each classroom to provide some words of encouragement. Based upon I-Ready data throughout the year, we are anticipating great success. We know the students will use all the strategies that the teachers have taught them, and they are well prepared. We encouraged the students to go to bed a little earlier than they normally do and to make sure they get a light breakfast. Reminder that we have free breakfast. For those that ride the bus, there is plenty of time to eat before going to class. For those late arrivals at parent drop off, your child may ask that you drop them off earlier, so they have plenty of time to eat breakfast and don't feel rushed to get prepared in class.

Reminder that that the tardy bell rings at 8:25. Last week there were several tardies, several were 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students, which delayed the reading of the directions for the FSA.

Have you noticed that, with the addition to 13 flags at parent pick-up we are finished by 3:00? Please adjust accordingly.

April is being recognized as the month to celebrate children of the military. On Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, have your child wear purple to show their support. See the attachment for how to submit photos for a collage. We appreciate these Warriors!

## Spotlight on 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:

Second graders are busy learning about "Systems". We have been reading, writing and thinking about the water cycle, weather cycles, and the life cycles of plants and animals. Students have enjoyed observing the life cycle of the Painted Lady butterfly in our classrooms. It is so exciting to watch them fly away!