



Blythe Elementary School *Cardinal Tweets*

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Greetings Cardinal Families,

As EOGs approach in less than four weeks, we continue to ramp-up our instructional intensity and provide students with review in preparation for these meaningful assessments. Please encourage your scholar to put in the extra effort, use all of the wonderful knowledge they have gained this year, and **DO THEIR BEST ON THE EOG TEST!** Our K-2 students have also begun their end-of-year assessments, so we will be able to see all of their hard work come to fruition in the next few weeks.

On May 1, we recognized the hard work and dedication of our many volunteers. Again, the staff and students of Blythe Elementary would like to say "Thank You!" to all of our volunteers. We certainly missed those who could not attend the Volunteer Breakfast. We could not do all that we do for our IB scholars without your support. Please note that during the months of May and June, we will have a number of events that require the assistance of parent volunteers. I encourage you to find time in your busy schedules to spend a couple hours at school to help with one or more of our upcoming events. Please refer to the May/June calendar for event days and times. Furthermore, remember that all volunteers who have contact with students must register through www.cmsvolunteers.com.

Finally, I would like to recognize the hard work of our 5th Grade scholars. Friday, April 20 was Exhibition Day. Our scholars conducted research choosing a current topic of their choice. Using their transdisciplinary theme, central idea, and lines of inquiry, students took ownership making others knowledgeable throughout the action plan process.

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GUIDANCE CORNER: Test Taking Tips for Parents

- * Make sure your child gets enough sleep on the night before the test.
- * Ensure that your child eats a healthy breakfast and avoids heavy foods that may make him/her groggy.
- * Keep a positive attitude about testing. Talking about the test with your child can relieve stress about test taking.

Blythe Elementary Science Fair 2017-2018 Grand Prize Winners



This year we had over 200 entries for our Science Fair. 3rd-4th grade scholars had the opportunity to put the Scientific Method into practice. Our scholars did a fantastic job and our Grand Prize Winners are as follows:

Emma Revak—3rd Grade (Fitchett)
Grayson Goins—4th Grade (Perry)
Camille McDonald—4th Grade (Garnett)

Congratulations to all of our scholars for their hard work and efforts. This was a great learning opportunity for all and we are looking forward to next years Science Fair.

MAY/JUNE 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Sir Purr—Sack the Test	2 Taradiddle Players (K-2)	3 PTA Board Meeting @ 8:00	4 SLT Meeting @ 7:00 am
7 Staff Appreciation Week - "Flower Power" 5th Grade to JMA @ 1:00 pm EOY Reading 3D Testing	8 Staff Appreciation Week - "Shower of Love—Thank You Notes and Cards"	9 Staff Appreciation Week - "Sweet Treats"	10 Staff Appreciation Week - "Helping your Classroom Grow—Classroom Wish List"	11 Staff Appreciation Week - "Blythe Pride—wear Blythe colors or Spirit Wear"
			5th Grade DARE Graduation @ 1:15 pm (Gym)	
14 EOY Reading 3D Testing	15 5th Grade Science Bowl @ 8:15 a.m.	16	17 Read to Achieve Conferences— 3rd Grade Progress Reports Go Home	18 MIB/Mentee EOY Social Spare Time Bowling 4:00 p.m.— 6:00 p.m.
			Progress Reports Go Home Family Night "On the Border"	
21	22	23	24 EOG Pep Rally @ 1:30 p.m. New Families Open House 6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.	25 EOG Testing 3rd Grade—Reading 5th Grade—Science
28 Memorial Day Holiday - NO SCHOOL	29 Cardinal Jam @ 1:15 p.m. (3-5) 2:00 p.m. (K-2)	30 EOG Testing 3rd Grade—Math 4th Grade—Reading	31 EOG Testing 4th Grade—Math 5th Grade—Reading	JUNE 1 EOG Testing 5th Grade—Math 3rd Grade Reading Retest
JUNE 4 Field Day (Pre-k-2)	5 Field Day (3-5)	6 3rd Grade RTA Testing Pre-k Promotion Ceremony @ 10:00 a.m. Kindergarten Promotion Ceremony @ 1:00 p.m.	7 EOY Honors Ceremonies 8:30 a.m.—9:15 a.m. (1-2) 9:30 a.m.—10:15 a.m. (3-4) AU EOY Awards Ceremony @ 11:15 a.m.—11:45 a.m. Class Parties 1:30 pm—2:30 pm	8 Last day of School 5th Grade Promotion Program 10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. Class Celebrations/Party 12:00 p.m.—2:30 p.m. Report Cards Go Home



PTA NEWS AND UPDATES

Please review our exciting updates and email us with any questions at pta@blythepta.com

As our school year comes to an end Blythe PTA would like to THANK all members, staff, and volunteers who have made our events successful this year. Without your continuous support and time we would not have been able to provide our students and staff with the enrichment programs, classroom supplies and family activities this school year. We hope those families whose students are moving to higher education remain involved with volunteering and we wish your children great success! For our families returning next year we look forward to another exciting and eventful year with you all.

PTA MEETING- Thursday, May 3rd In the PTA Room across from the Front Office

Please join us to review our year end activities and current budget. You may email any questions or agenda items to address prior to the meeting to pta@blythepta.com.

Blythe's Father and Daughter Dance Saturday, May 5th from 6pm-8pm

Girls put on a fancy dress and enjoy dancing and fun "Under the Sea" at Blythe's Father and Daughter Dance.

Advanced Tickets are \$15 per couple and \$5 for each additional daughter. Admission the day of the event is \$20 per couple.

Photos by Lifetouch are available for purchase the day of the event by credit card payment only. Raffle tickets are also on sale to win the 2018 American Girl of the Year Luciana Vega! Advance raffle tickets are \$4 each or five tickets for \$15.

STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK IS MAY 7TH TO 11TH

Please join PTA with showing daily appreciation for our wonderful teachers and staff!

- **Monday-7th Flower Power** Surprise them with a real or homemade flower
- **Tuesday- 8th Shower them with Love** Write a note of appreciation
- **Wednesday- 9th Sweet Treat** Spoil your teacher with their favorite sweet treat
- **Thursday- 10th Help your Classroom Grow** bring a supply from their wish list
- **Friday -11th Blythe Pride** Wear Blythe shirts or red and black to show that our Teachers and Staff ROCK!



YEARBOOK - LAST CALL SALES BEGIN JUNE 4TH

If you did not preorder your yearbook limited copies will be available for purchase beginning Monday, June 4th. Last call yearbooks are softcover only for **\$20 each**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

- 3rd PTA Meeting at 8am
- 5th Father/Daughter Dance 6-8pm
- 7th – 11th Staff Appreciation Week
- 17th Birthday Cake May/June/July

JUNE

- 8th 5TH GRADE GRADUATION! 10-11AM
- 8th 5TH GRADE CELEBRATION 12:30-3PM
in the Blythe Gym/Back Parking Lot Patio