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Every Decision. *WHAT IS BEST FOR CHILDREN?* Every time.

THIS and THAT...

Please remember to keep cafeteria charges below two (2). Thanks to all of you for a smooth beginning of the year, and your understanding if your child has called home due to excess charges! We appreciate your help, and want to work with you. Thanks again!

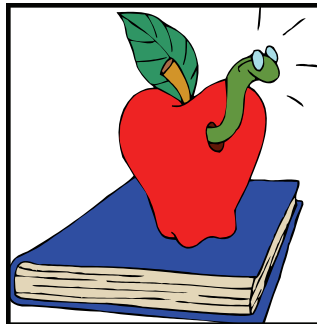
Up Next:

Bank Day— <i>Friday, Learning Zone</i>	SEP 3
Labor Day Holiday— <i>Monday</i>	SEP 6
GSD School Board Meeting <i>Tuesday, 5:00 p.m., C.O.</i>	SEP 7
Fundraiser \$\$ Due! <i>Tuesday</i>	SEP 7
Kids F.A.C.E. Meeting— <i>Tuesday, 5:45 p.m., MPB</i>	SEP 7

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Reading 20 Minutes With Your Child WORKS!



Just 20 minutes a day reading aloud with young children strengthens relationships, encourages listening and language skills, promotes attention and curiosity, and establishes a strong reading foundation.

These skills are essential for success in school and in life.

It takes hundreds of hours of “lap time” for a child to acquire the pre-literacy skills necessary for learning to read early and well. From birth to age five, the pleasant activity of listening to and talking about stories trains a child’s brain, ears, and eyes for eventual success in learning to read.

Once a child begins to read, it is essential to continue reading aloud together. Like other skills, reading is mastered over time, with lots of practice, and with the help of another person. There is practically no way to do it wrong, but there are ways to do it better. We are here to help you. The routine of sharing books together creates lifelong readers!

The magic of this process is the simplicity of action. Any adult can do it, in just about any place, with little or no expense. It doesn’t matter what language is spoken. Non-reading parents can make up stories to go with the illustrations. The essential elements are scheduled time with books and a positive attitude!

Make reading together the most important—and happiest—20 minutes of your day!

Courtesy of www.readingfoundation.org/more.jsp

August Citizens of the Month

Kindergarten: Kara Furman, Kayden McFall, Brooklynn Montana, Braxton Hignight, Jose Ruiz, Idris Moore; **1st Grade:** Zak Brown, Madeline Pitre, Haleigh Wilson, Quinn Jordan, Iben Madsen; **2nd Grade:** Hannah Lunsford, Zane Bartman, Walter Dyal, Noah Dimitriades, Brent Garner; **3rd Grade:** Ethan Boles, Hannah Claire Began, Maggie Singleton, Sam Bell; **4th Grade:** Emilie Chenault, Abigail Mechatto, Lawson Holden, Carson Miller; **5th Grade:** Katherine Gainey, Gaines Cleveland, Sarah Jenno, Kenson Barnes. **Congratulations to all of our wonderful CITIZENS of the MONTH for August!**

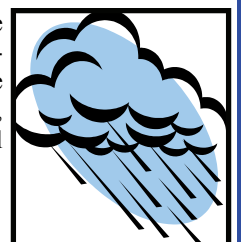
...and TERRIFIC KIDS, too!

Kindergarten: Smith Walker, Layton Bryant, John Van Slyke, Madalyn Wilkerson, Sophia Emmer; **1st Grade:** Olivia Chandler, Ethan Powell, “Cinnamon” Simpson, Jackson Henshaw, Matthew August; **2nd Grade:** Lilly Marquez, Brennan Shekart, Alex Ortega, Tyler Metz, Arnage Caston; **3rd Grade:** Vivian Cherry, Durrion Myers, La’Kria Tatum, Ethan Crookston; **4th Grade:** Calvin Smith, Emma Jones, Emmanuel Mattox, Joshua Patterson; **5th Grade:** LaSavon Mangum, Brooke Mitchell, Elaine Morrow, Mark Winkelhake. **Congratulations to all of our TERRIFIC KIDS for the month of August!** (Sponsored by Kiwanis of Gulfport)

“My child walks home each day. What do I do if it RAINS?”

With all the rain we’ve experienced this time of year, that’s a GREAT question! And, it has an easy answer. Parents of walkers, please keep your eye on the weather each afternoon, and know that if it rains at 2:30, your child will be automatically placed in the CAR RIDER waiting area (the sidewalk by the back drive). We will not put your child at risk from rain, or more importantly, LIGHTNING, by allow-

ing him/her to walk in the rain. If the weather is questionable and you’re not sure what we’re doing at 2:30, please call the office and we’ll let you know. Thanks!



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