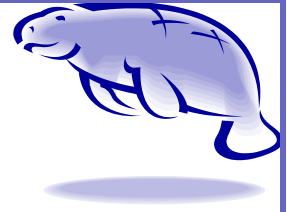


News By The Bay



Bay Haven PTO's Newsletter

February 2012

A Message from our Principal, Betsy Asheim

Dear Bay Haven families,

Happy 2012! It is hard to believe the first half of the year is over and beginning of the third quarter is here. As the principal of Bay Haven, I am very fortunate to be in the midst of such dedicated staff, parents, and students.

Thanks to all the students and parents who attended our Build A Book literacy event on January 25th. Students published the most amazing books and many read them to me. Additionally, our Odyssey of the Mind teams traveled to Ft. Myers this past weekend to practice for the upcoming competition. Please remember to support their Bake Sales and Hat Days. After school tutoring is beginning this week for students in grades 3, 4 and 5 who are identified as needing additional support.

If you are looking for ways to fulfill your volunteer commitment, please consider participating in one of our largest fund raisers of the year, our Jog-A-Thon on February 17th. Our Jog-A-Thon committee has very exciting plans for the event, including a DJ, t-shirts, prizes, pizza and much more.

Thanks to the generosity of all of you, we were able to provide many families with gift certificates and gifts for the holidays. With the current economic stress, more and more families are challenged.

The next few months will be focus months for state testing. We ask that you bring your child to school everyday and on time to ensure their success on FCAT. With your participation, our students will have champion achievements at the Bright Spot by the Bay!

Every child a winner, everyday.

Sincerely,

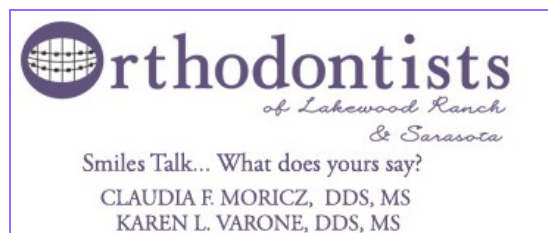
Betsy Asheim, Principal

Thank You to our Gold Sponsors!



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Please contact Jeremy Scott to learn more about Bay Haven sponsorship opportunities.



Science News by Rolf Hanson

Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding accomplishment at Bay Haven's 2011-12 Science Fair. Students in grades 3-5 with "Medalist" after their name will represent Bay Haven at the Sarasota County Regional Science Fair on January 31.

Thank you to the members of the Science Fair Committee, classroom teachers, parents and family members, and Mrs. Asheim for on-going support and commitment to the Science Fair.

1st Grade Physical Science

Joshua	Worthington	2 nd	Mundy	Vanishing Sugar
Carter	Gish	1 st	Mundy	Gray Hair vs. Brown Hair

2nd Grade Life Science

Nina	Prouty	3 rd	Tannen	Cats and Catnip
Evi	Volupas	2 nd	Bowman	Crazy Carrots
Noelle	Prouty	1 st	Tannen	My Heart and Exercise

2nd Grade Physical Science

Javier	Suarez	3 rd	Tannen	The Rocket and it's Fins
Noah	Morano	2 nd	Scheidt	Fruit Batteries
Antonia	Forlenza	1 st	Tannen	Here Sharky Sharky
Victoria	Bibler	1 st	Tannen	Sink or Swim

2nd Grade Earth Science

Ashlyn	Kuiken	2	Tannen	Crystal Formation
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3rd Grade Life Science

Hannah	Wharton	3 rd	Chipurnoi	Color Me Carnation	
Samantha	Goodson	2 nd	McSwain	Test Your Tastebuds	Medalist
Dorothy	Coutu	1 st	Wedebrock	Fantastic Fertilizer	Medalist

3rd Grade Physical Science

Jackson	Lay	3 rd	Owens	What Goes Up Must Come Down!	
Daniel	Lange	2 nd	Chipurnoi	Cool Color vs. Warm Color	Medalist
Jeanni	Castro	1 st	Kelty	How Much Energy Can We Save?	Medalist

4th Grade Life Science

Konor	Iversen	3 rd	Bakich	To Eat or Not to Eat That is the 5 Second Question	
Noah	Dubose	2 nd	Bakich	Think Fast	Medalist
Sebastian	Caballero-Morlesin	1 st	Ditmars	Ant Food Critic	Medalist



4th Grade Physical Science

Alexis	Sullivan	3 rd	Ditmars	Speed and Friction	
Enrique	Santa Maria	2 nd	Wells	The Distance a Baseball Travels...	Medalist
Josh	Kroepfl	1 st	Bakich	Angle of Maximum Power	Medalist

5th Grade Life Science

Lola	Coutelle	3 rd	Brown	The Hologram Wrist Band	
Leyla	Wilson	2 nd	Hayes	Presoaking Blast	
Carleigh	Coffin	2 nd	Brown	Thump! Thump! That's Blood Pressure	
Isabel	Traba	1 st	Brown	Do The Eyes Have It?	Medalist
GeorgiaKate	Yeomans	1 st	Brown	Swim Your Heart Out	Medalist

5th Grade Physical Science

Megan	Smoot	3 rd	Brown	Shocking	
Tyler	Reasoner	2 nd	Brown	The Eggcellent Eggsperiment	Medalist
Nathaniel	Epstein	1 st	Wiechmann	The Power of Color	Medalist

A MESSAGE FROM OUR P.T.O. PRESIDENT

Hello Bay Haven Families!

The second half of the school year is in full swing! We have many great activities to look forward to in the next several weeks. To begin, the Jog-A-Thon Spirit day kickoff will be Friday, February 3rd. This is a very important fundraiser for our school and this year's theme is Sprint To Success! Most of the funds raised will go to reading and tutoring programs that benefit all of Bay Haven. Many of these programs will not be available if the funds are not there. We want to encourage our students, all of whom participate in the jog, to gather pledges from friends and family and bring the money back to school. Students can ask a certain amount per lap or simply ask for a donation-**it all helps**. The jog will be Friday, February 17th. Please keep your eyes open for details to come through Kids' Express.

We will also have our 3rd skate night on Wednesday, February 8th at Stardust Skate Center from 6:00-8:00 PM. With Valentine's Day the following week we want everyone to wear as much red to skate as you possibly can! We will also have a creative hat contest along with the competition for the classroom with the best attendance. Mrs. Brown's class followed up their first victory with a strong showing and tied with Mrs. Wiechman's class at our 2nd event in December. Join us and have a blast at Stardust.

Plans are in the works for our annual spring Dinner Auction. This year's event will be for adults only. We are planning a fun filled, casual night for any and all Bay Haven parents, staff and friends of Bay Haven. So look for more details soon.

Many, many thanks go out to all who have helped make our events this year successful and beneficial to our school. We couldn't do it without you!

Henry Paul



Skate Night - Wednesday, February 8th 6:00-8:00 PM



Stardust Event Center

WEAR RED!

Awards for the most creative hat and for the classroom with the highest attendance!

\$3.00 to Skate \$1.00 to Watch In-line Skate \$5.00



Spanish News

Dear Bay Haven Families,

It's been a great year so far in Spanish! We began the year with our unit on food and restaurant as we get ready for "El Restaurante Bay Haven" happening on February 23rd. Some of the activities we have done in preparation include making our own menus, role playing restaurant, and playing new computer games to practice food names. During the last week of January we had a visit from Mrs. Boardman, during which we used movement and music to prepare for the restaurant event and explore different circus themes. Students juggled with scarves, made rhythms with cups, and used paper plates for beat, all while connecting with language learning. It has been a fun and active learning environment!

Thank you families for all that you do to help your children to be successful in Spanish! It is wonderful to hear stories about students using their Spanish out in the community!

Sinceramente,

Sra. Vieira

A note from Mrs. Hinkle
(joyce.hinkle@sarasota.k12.fl.us)

Are you making a "Gifted" referral for the 2011/2012 school year? Please note that teachers, parents and students can make these referrals.

Please respond by the following dates:

February 3, 2012: Is the deadline for referring a student for a Gifted Screening.

April 27, 2012: Is the deadline for providing Bay Haven with a Private Psychological report.

May 11, 2012: Is the deadline for submitting Option letters to Pine View and Cluster Sites entering 2nd – 8th grades.

Upcoming Events

January 30th—Report Card Distribution Day

January 31st—Class Pictures

February 3rd—Jog-a-thon Kick Off

February 8th—Skate Night

February 17th—Jog-a-thon

February 20th—President's Day No School

February 24th—Hat Day Odyssey Of the Mind

February 28th & 29th—FCAT Writing 4th Grade



Jump Rope For Heart is coming to our school, March 26th – March 29th

Did you know that heart disease and stroke are the #1 and #3 causes of death in America? Did you know that a majority of those lives impacted by heart disease could have been prevented through lifestyle choices? Healthy behaviors begin at home and should be reinforced at school.

This program helps students learn about the benefits of regular physical activity and heart health, but also teaches children the value of giving back to those in need. Heart disease affects every family, so help us support the American Heart Association as they help people live longer, healthier lives.

Depending on how much money we raise, we will receive gift certificates for PE equipment through US Games. Supporters can donate online at www.heart.org/jump. Help your child register and build their own web page for donations with the tools provided online. Students will bring home collection envelopes and informational letters during the week of March 7th that are due March 23rd. Please take a moment to read the envelope over carefully with your child and consider helping to raise money for this worthwhile cause. Thank you for your support – Katherine Garcia-Renick.



Jog-a-thon Sprint for Success

**Friday, February 17th,
9:30 – 12:30**

Snack and Pizza Lunch Provided to all Students!
Trophies to be awarded to top runners
Prizes to be given to the top money earners in each grade!

Volunteers Needed

Please Contact
Amy Goodson, 365-9330
Cathy Byler, 650-7875
Cassie Roulette, 376-3701

Sarasota County Calendar Contest

Congratulations to Josh Kroepfl and Jeanni Castro for the selection of their beautiful artwork for this year's Sarasota County Calendar. Josh has had artwork chosen for two previous years, and was honored to have his poster selected as the cover of this year's calendar. Jeanni's poster represents the month of March. The theme of this year's calendar is "Food: Keep it Local." Since we had two students' artwork chosen this year, all Bay Haven students were given a calendar before the Winter Break. Great job Jeanni and Josh!

CIRCUS SHOW March 9th

Be Part of the Greatest Show by the Bay



The Specials Team is looking for volunteers in preparation for our CIRCUS SHOW event on March 9th. We are looking for volunteers with circus talent or connections. We need volunteers to help decorate and transform the basketball court into a BIG TOP. During the day we will need assistance with face painting, balloon making, and bagging pop corn. Volunteers are needed throughout the day with more working hands in the morning. Please send an e-mail to Mrs. Vieira at Jamie_vieira@sarasota.k12.fl.us or call the school at 359-5800 if you can VOLUNTEER in any way. This is a SCHOOL-WIDE event with every class participating in circus activities during their SPECIAL on March 9th. This event will showcase the 4th and 5th grade students in the CIRCUS SHOW at 2:30 P.M. This is such a great opportunity for our students to participate in circus activities while still learning through all of our great SPECIALS!



Sunshine State Readers Ice Cream Party May 29th

Read those books and get them logged if you want to attend the ice cream party.

You must earn points to go.





Build A Book Success

Thank you to all of the families and staff who helped with our annual Build a Book event. The students went home as amazing authors and illustrators.

A big thank you to Mrs. Constance White-Davis, the sponsor of the Edge of Excellence grant, that helped make the event possible.

Michala Chipurnoi wrote the grant at the beginning of the year that made this event possible!



Art to Remember

Your child will be coming home with information and an order form soon offering over 30 gift items or keepsakes featuring your child's artwork.

Please help support the arts and our school by placing an order..

Student TALENT SHOW preparation.

"Bay Haven's Got Talent" audition forms will be available in March and due in April.

Auditions will be the 1st week of May.

More detailed dates and information will be coming,

but the students can begin planning now.

If the student(s) perform with a recording, please help choose appropriate songs.

We also encourage singers to sing without the lyrics on the recording if possible.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Miles at kimberly_miles@sarasota.k12.fl.us

Good Luck to all of our TALENTED students!

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