



South Fayette Elementary PTA Paw Print



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CONGRATULATIONS FOURTH GRADE!!!



Good luck in Middle School next year and in all your school years!



Calendar & Information

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 12	PTA Meeting 6:30 PM
May 15	Kindergarten Luncheon
May 18	2 Hour Delay
May 21	Kennywood Picnic - No School
May 22	No School
May 25	Memorial Day - No School
May 27	Market Day Pick-up 3:00 - 4:00 PM
June 3	Track and Field Day (Rain Day June 4)
June 9	Fourth Grade Graduation 1:00 PM
June 10	Last Day of School - Early Dismissal 12:00 - No lunch



The PTA is always accepting memberships. Forms are available on our web site under Join Us:

www.sfepta.org

2008 - 2009 South Fayette

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Fourth Grade Junkasaurus Projects



Fourth grade has turned trash into treasure! The fourth grade students recently created creatures using only recyclable products. While working in small groups, students combined aluminum cans, milk cartons, plastic containers, shoe boxes, and more to create a unique animal. In addition, groups worked to prepare written information about their unique creature's habitat and adaptations. This activity was a culminating project for the Environmental Studies unit. The opportunity to reuse old materials has prepared them for the upcoming Earth Day cleanup project.

To find out about the other grades at the Elementary School check out the full version of The Building Report on the web: http://www.southfayette.org/schools/es/prin_reports/2008-2009/april_09.pdf

Updates and Announcements

A special congratulations goes out to the entire second grade. Second grade participated in an Accelerated Reader Challenge.

The classrooms had to work as a team for this challenge. Points were given for each test taken, however, the challenge was also based on classroom participation. A total of 375 prizes were awarded to 2nd grade.

Every second grader did their best and it was a close race to the finish.



1st Place - Ms. Sciotto

2nd Place - Mr. Ruffalo

3rd Place Mrs. Gagliardino



PTA GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 12 @ 6:30 PM

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY

Babysitting available for \$2 per hour per child

Click [here](#) for a complete list of this year's meetings and approved minutes

Meals on Wheels

As a community service project, the PTA schedules the drop off of 6 dozen cookies two times a week at Meals on Wheels in Bridgeville.

Thank you to the following volunteers:

April: Chris Wilke, Stacy Fleck, Cheryl Bruner, Aileen Frost, Laura Dorfner, Gina Chalovich, Jennifer Scott, and Anna Marie Newcomer

We are scheduling for Summer/Fall months. If you are interested in volunteering please click [here](#) for more info or contact Sandy Hanich at (412) 266-1997 or smhanich@verizon.net.



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Accelerated Reader 2008-09

Congratulations to all of students that have earned incentives in the 3rd reporting period. Many of these students reached more than one level!

Kindergarten

Chad E
Noah S
Anna B
Danny B
Alexander G
Emma F
Krit V

Rithik N
Aaron S
Makenzie S
Ryan B
Luke W
Ben W
Cecelia G

Adam W
William C
Garrett F
Colton L
Nathaniel S

First Grade

Andrew F
Quentin F
Sara T
Lauren S
Sydnee M
Adam U
Jennifer S
Rachel S
Danielle M
Amanda T
Hiral S
Harish V
Luke C
Sreya D

Joseph P
Desmond B
Alec G
Joseph A
Claire P
Emma N
Clare R
Carson T
Connor M
Taylor F
Eian A
Luke F
Swathi S
Tyler S

Emma M
Nolan V
Sydney J
Connor M
Hailey P
Isabella G
Alexandra B
Ashley Q
Peyton Y
Elijah S
Matthew M
Abigail D

Second Grade

Mitchell D
Jordan H
Shourya B
Emma O
Alexis Y
Aidan L
James S
Emily V
Delaney T
Austin P
Cameron M
Antonio G
MacKenzie T
Olivia S
Matthew H
Cassandra B
Alexa P
Jamie L
Ava F
Brianna T
Noah K
Emma Y
Bruce H
Steven N
Jake H

Updates and Announcements

Nicholas K
Isaiah Y
Kate W
Maddie B
Taylor M
Hailey B
Elizabeth M
Scott Z
Ian K
Prateek J
Jack E
Olivia G
Tianyi L
Tyler N
Julian P
Lucas K
Cayci G
Steven G
Clarissa B
Christian H
Savannah V
Jaylin M
Anna W
Alyssa D
Christian G
Braden H
Caitlin P

Joseph G
Michael G
Joseph B
Tyler P
Maria Y
Paige B
Colin M
Taylor B
Marin G
Heather F
Brendan D
Sara I
Jeremy S
Zackary S
Dylon A
Klarice O
Jeremy C
Simon C
Karyssa L
Nova D
Tanner V
Ryan K
Bhavana K
Michael T
Thomas E
Brooke B
Sara M

Melina S
Chaylise O
Emily B
Kayla R
David V
Zack K
Maura G
Rachel T
Sydney K
Riley S
Max W
Samantha F
Laurel E
Sareena W
Mara I
Helina V
Timothy P
Lanah V
David M
Marlo P
Roman M
Zachary W
Gavin E
Joseph C
Adam K
Matthew Z

Third Grade

Colin D
Anna T
Taylor V
Emily S
Nicole S
Anthony G
Gabbrielle E
Neha J
Susan C
John B

Ali D
Jacob C
Harmon R
Samantha V
Autumn H
Matthew J
Emily V
Ruthvik P
Preston A
Cort B

Ava W
Jessica B
Nicole C
Jordyn C
Brenna M
Michael P

Fourth Grade

Grace E
Brianna S
Breauna F
Anthony F
Riley R

Hannah F
Jared M
Erica A

It is not too late to start reading and earning incentives.

Accelerated Reader Program is an optional program for ALL reading levels. We hope that you choose for your child to participate. Information can be found on the school or PTA websites.

The love for reading is our goal!

If you have any questions about Accelerated Reader, please feel free to call or email me at 412 221 1324 or jeffreyford@verizon.net.

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Market Day is going on Vacation!!!

The Market Day program is taking the summer off. The May sale will be *the last* until fall. Be sure to stock up your freezer with all of the summertime favorites. We have everything you need for backyard picnics and quick on the go meals. Don't forget our delicious cookies and desserts.

I can't thank you enough for supporting the Market Day program. You have made this year a success. The profits made will go toward needed supplies for our students.

Please send your order forms in or order online between now and May 20th. for the delivery on May 27th. <http://www.marketday.com/>

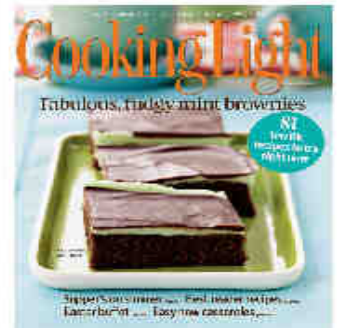
Two GIFTS IN ONE

PARENTS, did you know you can shop online year round while helping your child's school? Every time you shop online, our school earns much needed funds. Shop from a huge selection of Gifts & Magazines that are perfect for Holiday Gift Giving. Just go to gaschoolstore.com & login using your group or school code. You will be giving Two Gifts in One.

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gaschoolstore.com

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OPPORTUNITIES



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GIANT EAGLE SHOP N' SAVE GROCERY CARDS/CERTIFICATE



EARN \$\$\$\$\$ FOR THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
THROUGHOUT THE YEAR BY PURCHASING GROCERY
CARDS FOR YOUR WEEKLY SHOPPING

Name: _____ Daytime Phone: _____

Teacher: _____ Child's Name: _____

GIANT EAGLE: \$25.00 _____ \$50.00 _____ \$100.00 _____

(Indicate quantity)

SHOP N'SAVE: \$25.00 _____ \$50.00 _____

(Indicate quantity)

Check Number: _____ Cash Amount: _____

Total Enclosed: _____

Order Date: _____ Date Filled: _____

Delivery Method: **Sent home with child**

Make checks payable to **SFEPTA**

Return the order form by **Wednesday** afternoon each week. The Grocery Cards will be sent home with your child on **Thursday**.

The SFEPTA is not responsible for lost or stolen cards.

Any questions, please contact Teresa Peluso (412) 257-8015



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THESE GIRLS RULE!!

This is the 4th grade Junior Girl Scout Troop #1288. They are truly amazing girls! During the past 5 years, since kindergarten, they have learned to work together, respect each other's ideas and to be friendly and helpful to one another. They have earned more than 10 scout badges by doing all of the work on their own in small groups. They selected badges that they were interested in learning more about. Each group researched, prepared and presented their badge of choice to the troop and leaders.

Some examples of their work include:

- *a visit to Southbridge EMS to learn how to care for minor injuries and to make the troop first-aid kit
- *a scheduled tour of a camera museum to learn the history of cameras and picture taking and made a darkroom photo themselves
- *researched South Fayette historical sites and had historians share local artifacts
- *planned a menu of favorites and helped the troop to prepare them.
- *organized a trip to Splash Lagoon including behavior rules and packing list.
- *taught the troop about hand tools and instructed them on a woodworking project. They are also scheduling a "Girl Scout vs Boy Scout" event.
- * Our final group has written and produced a play about recycling. They are cordially inviting you to attend the troop performance on May 26th at 5:00pm in the Middle School auditorium

National News

Tips for Switching to a Summer Schedule

Summer vacation, with its camp activities and summer sports, sounds idyllic to most of us. And who wouldn't want seemingly endless hours to spend with friends? But as the school year comes to an end, take some time to talk to your kids about staying safer so you can be sure the summer memories are happy ones.

Consider these tips for adjusting to a summer schedule:

- New activities may mean the start of new friendships. Just as you do during the school year, get to know your children's friends and be on the lookout for possible bullies or someone who might lead your kids to experiment with drugs or alcohol.
- If the summer schedule means a change in your day-care routine, make sure your kids still know what to do in an emergency and how to contact a trusted adult.
- You might decide to relax your rules about the amount of time your kids can watch TV or play video games, but still do your homework to make sure the shows and games are age-appropriate.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
April 27 Day B3 PSSA Science Gr. 4 Market Day Pick-Up 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Little Lions' Academy Registration 6:30 HS Theatre	April 28 Day C4 PSSA Science Gr. 4	April 29 Day D5 PSSA Science Gr. 4	April 30 Day E1 PTA Meeting 6:30 p.m.	May 1 Day F2
May 4 Day A3	May 5 Day B4	May 6 Day C5	May 7 Day D1	May 8 Day E2 PTA Family Fun Night 6:00 - 8:30 4 th Gr. Field Trip
May 11 Day F3 Cubs' Corner Store	May 12 Day A4 Cubs' Corner Store PTA Meeting 6:30	May 13 Day B5 Cubs' Corner Store	May 14 Day C1 Cubs' Corner Store	May 15 Day D2 PTA Kindergarten Luncheon
May 18 Day E3 2-Hour Late Start	May 19 Day F4	May 20 Day A5 3 rd Gr. Field Trip	May 21 No School Kennywood Day	May 22 No School
May 25 No School	May 26 Day B1	May 27 Day C2 Market Day Pickup 3:00 - 4:00	May 28 Day D3	May 29 Day E4 2 nd Gr. Field Trip
June 1 Day F5	June 2 Day A1	June 3 Day B2 Track & Field Day	June 4 Day C3 Rain Date for Track and Field	June 5 Day D4
June 8 Day E5	June 9 Day F1 4 th Gr. Graduation 1:00 p.m.	June 10 Last Day of School Early Dismissal - 12:00 No Lunch Served	June 11	June 12

