



Four Seasons Newsletter

April 2024

Regina Passwaters, Principal

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Calendar April:



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| 4 & 5 | 2-hour early dismissal—end of third marking period |
| 10 W | No school—Eid al-Fitr |
| 16-19 | Grade 3 MCAP testing; MCAP spirit week for entire school |
| 19 F | Last day to order a yearbook |

Looking ahead to May:

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| 2 Th | Spring Chorus Concert at 5:30 p.m.; doors open at 5:15 p.m. |
| 6-9 | Grade 5 MCAP testing; MCAP spirit week for entire school |
| 14 Tu | No school—Primary election day |
| 20-23 | Grade 4 MCAP testing; MCAP spirit week for entire school |
| 23 & 24 | No school for ECI, Pre-K, and Kindergarten only (conferences) |
| 27 M | No school—Memorial Day |

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Please remember to bring your ID when picking up students, visiting, volunteering/chaperoning, and when attending any Parent/Teacher conference.

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OUR MISSION

Fostering a life long love of learning in a
Safe and orderly environment with
Excellent teachers facilitating
Students' active learning.



Principal's Message

Spring has sprung! We are looking forward to some sunshine and spring flowers! MCAP testing info will be coming soon for grades 3-5.

As a reminder, since we are getting warmer weather, students cannot show bare skin between upper chest and mid-thigh. Please ensure students are wearing appropriate clothing to school.

The Arundel Cluster 2nd Annual Basketball game is scheduled for May 1st at 6:00! Buy your tickets now for \$2.00 each.

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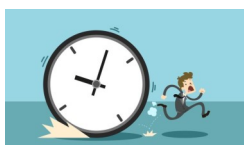
We wish to express our gratitude to those students who consistently uphold the code of conduct, report inappropriate behavior, and advocate for a positive and respectful learning environment. Please review school expectations with your student. We value the collaboration between home and school, and appreciate your efforts to maintain a high standard of behavior among our students.



Just a reminder that Pre-K dismisses at 2:15 p.m and all other students dismiss at 2:25 p.m. Please be on time to pick up your student(s).

Also, we ask that you arrive no later than 2:00 p.m. when picking your student up early.

Students cannot be called to the office if parents are running late for an early dismissal. A parent's ID must be checked before a student can be called from class. Thanks.



Spring Chorus Concert

The Spring Chorus Concert will be on Thursday, May 2nd from 5:30—5:50 p.m. Doors to Four Seasons will open at 5:15 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there!



Volunteers Needed for Field Day— Monday, May 13th

Please [click here](#) to sign up for field day on Monday, May 13th. Please be sure to sign up for your child's grade level, as there are three different sessions. Rain or shine, the event will happen! Thank you!

8:30-10:30 a.m.—3rd grade, 4th grade, and 5th grade

10:30-11:30 a.m.—Pre-K

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.—Kindergarten, 1st grade, and 2nd grade

An AACPS background check is required to volunteer. If you have any questions about your background check, or to get instructions, please email Mrs. Shank at bshank@aacps.org.

We look forward to seeing you on May 13th.



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Great Job, Students!



The Baysox reading incentive and March Madness iReady Reading Competition were both a success! The participation was off the charts! Thank you to everyone who participated!



Please click here to view the April [School Meals Menu](#)

Please note that due to supply shortages, substitutions to the menu may occur.



Now Hiring Crossing Guards!

Anne Arundel County is hiring crossing guard(s) for our school.

Pay is \$20 per hour.


\$1,000 Sign Bonus

Please contact Jim Whalen, Anne Arundel County recruiter, for details:

Email: p94204@aacounty.org

Phone: 410-222-1995





MCAP Spirit Wear

April 16 - 19th

Tuesday, April 16 - Are You RED-Y for MCAP? (wear red)

Wednesday, April 17 - Wild About MCAP (wear animal print)

Thursday, April 18 - Can't Hide Our Knowledge (wear camo)

Friday, April 19 - Workout Your Brain (wear workout wear)

May 6 - May 9th

Monday, May 6 - Knock Our Socks Off (wear festive socks)

Tuesday, May 7 - Put Your Game Face On (wear sports attire)

Wednesday, May 8 - Look How Bright You Are (wear neon)

Thursday, May 9 - Crush the Test (wear orange)


May 20 - 23rd

Monday, May 20 - Dream of Success (wear pajamas)

Tuesday, May 21 - Don't Sweat the Test (wear workout wear)

Wednesday, May 22 - Tackle the Test (wear sports jersey)

Thursday, May 23 - Go Back & Check (wear shirt backwards)



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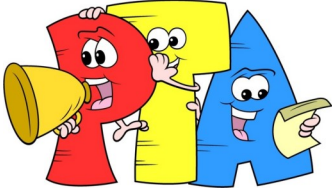


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FOUR SEASONS PTA

Spring is here, and we have many fun and exciting events scheduled over the next few months! We thank all of our families who attended our March SkateZone event—with your help we raised \$1,225. Our March Feed the Staff luncheon was a wonderful success with the help of our PTA volunteers, and we had a wonderfully successful restaurant night at Red Robin! As we look ahead to the month of April, we have a few PTA events to note:

- 4/18/24 - Spring Play Production—It's a Jungle Out There!
- 4/23/24 - Bus Driver Appreciation Day—please sign up to donate an item for appreciation gift bags here: [Bus Driver Appreciation Sign-Up](#)
- 4/24/24 - Newk's Eatery Restaurant Night
- 4/26/24 - Feed the Teachers and Staff Luncheon

It is hard to believe that we only have one PTA meeting left this school year! Please join us for our remaining 2024 PTA meeting, held bi-monthly at 6:00 p.m.!

- May 21st, 2024—Elections will take place during this meeting. Please be on the lookout for an email later this month that details the elections process from the Elections Committee.

Please recall: there are many ways to get in touch with us this school year!

Email us: pta.fourseasons@gmail.com

Visit our website: fourseasonspta.org

Stay in the know by becoming a PTA Member! PTA members are on an exclusive email list that receives all volunteer sign-ups as soon as they are available! \$10 dues and form can be completed at the following link, fourseasons-pta.memberhub.com/store/items/710720, or by scanning the QR code below.



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APRIL 24TH, 2024

4:00PM - 9:00PM

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Notes from the Nurse...

Just a reminder to all parents and caregivers—if your child has a fever, he or she must stay home until they are fever-free for 24 hours without medication. They may return to school after that. If the nurse sends your child home due to a fever, they must remain at home the following day. If no medication is administered, your student may return after a full day at home. If you have any questions, please call the health room staff.

Sick students in the health room should be picked up within 30 minutes. If you cannot pick up your student within that time frame, please have a backup plan, such as a grandparent, aunt, uncle, neighbor, or anyone you deem responsible to take care of your child. Unfortunately, there are times that we are very busy and need the bed that a sick child is sleeping on while waiting to be picked up. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Please get your child vaccinated for the flu if you haven't already done so.

If your child receives vaccinations, please forward their immunization record, to ensure their health records are up-to-date.

If your child tests positive for Covid, flu, strep throat, etc., please inform the health room.

Please be sure your student has a change of clothes in their locker for the current season. Even older students need a change of clothing in case they spill a drink or get mud on their clothes.

Thank you!

Our email addresses:

Ms. Michelle - health assistant - health3272@aacps.org

Ms. Sherry - RN - nurse3272@aacps.org



Attendance Procedure

This year, AACPS has a new attendance procedure for absences and early dismissals, using ParentPortal. Parents of students in grades kindergarten through 5th grade should use green notes **only** for a change in dismissal. Pre-K parents should continue using green notes for all notifications.

1. Open a web browser on your computer and go to www.aacps.org.
2. Click the "Student/Parent Portal" quick link icon at the top of the page.
3. Click the "PowerSchool Student and Parent Sign-In" icon on the right. You will be directed to the sign-in page.
4. Enter the ParentPortal username and password you created.

To Complete the Form:

1. Click the student name across the top.
2. Click **"Forms"** on the left menu bar.
3. Click AACPS-Absence or Early Dismissal Form to open the form. (Note: To change the text to Spanish, use the dropdown in the upper right corner.)
4. Read and complete the form as directed on screen. Any field marked with an asterisk (*) must be completed.
5. Click "Submit."

Your submission will be reviewed by the main office.

Thank you to all families who have transitioned to the e-form submission process for attendance!



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Unexcused Absences Policy

Unexcused Absence(s)/Unlawful Absences (One to Two DAYS ABSENT)

Missed graded assignments will be taken upon return date and accepted for the earned grade. Students will not get an equal amount of days absent to complete classwork before taking missed graded assignments. Families may ask for classwork upon the first day back.

Unexcused Absences/Unlawful Absences (Three or more DAYS ABSENT)

Missed graded assignments will not be accepted for a grade. Families may ask for classwork upon the first day back, but the graded assignments will be entered as E (55%) in the gradebook.

During daily instruction, students may have content delivered through videos, discussions and support. Several missed days of classroom instruction at this level may not be replicated with worksheets.

Excused Absences/Lawful Absence

Missed graded assignments will be accepted for the earned grade. Families may ask for classwork upon the first day back. Students will get the amount of days absent = the amount of days allowed before taking the missed graded assignment. Grades earned will be entered into the gradebook.

***All graded assignments are completed in school, NOT at home.**



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Four Seasons now offers an additional, convenient way to pay for school items electronically. It's called On-line School Payments (OSP) and allows families to pay by credit card for things such as field trips, lost media books, and Chromebook repairs. We also have options to allow you to donate to support special activities for students or to donate to allow the principal to "treat" our staff. Please note that there is a small service charge for using the OSP system. Cash and checks made payable to Four Seasons Elementary are always accepted for student fees with no service fee. If you have any questions regarding the OSP system, please contact Erika Allen at eallen@aacps.org or 410-222-6501. To access OSP, please click on this link: [Four Seasons OSP](#).

Notice: Four Seasons Elementary School is equipped with a video camera system. It covers selected interior and exterior public portions of the building and grounds. It is NOT monitored constantly, but it is monitored during emergency situations. During certain events, when the safety or security of students may be in question, authorized personnel from local, state or federal police or fire emergency units may be given access to view images projected on the camera system. If you have any questions about the system, you should call the Supervisor of School Security at 410-222-5083.

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