

## Southgate Elementary IB PYP World School

March 2024

Mr. Greubel, Principal  
Ms. Tusciano, Assistant Principal

### News at a Glance

We are looking forward to the fun-filled month of March! We invite you to join us for PTA Lucky Bingo on March 14 at 5:30-7:00pm. This event will include bingo games, raffles, door prizes, and snacks! See the attached flyer for more details. The week before Spring Break, students and staff will participate in a March Madness Spirit Week (March 18-March 22) to show their school spirit! See the attached flyer for specific dates and themes.

On March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, we will engage our 5<sup>th</sup> graders in the Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA). Students will need their charged Chromebooks and headphones for this assessment. To learn more about the MISA assessment, click here: <https://marylandpublicschools.org/about/Pages/DAAIT/Assessment/MISA/index.aspx>

Upon return from Spring Break, all students in grades 3 through 5 will participate in MCAP (Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program) testing to demonstrate their learning in the areas of Reading and Math. Mark your calendar with the following dates to ensure your students are present on test day and ready to show what they know!

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading:** April 8, 9, 11, 12

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading:** May 6, 7, 8, 9

**4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading:** April 15, 16, 17, 18

**4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math:** May 13, 15, 16, 17

*Click here for MCAP practice tests and more information about the assessments:*

<https://support.mdassessments.com/practice-tests/>

As AACPS moves forward with redistricting students from Southgate to Rippling Woods, the two schools have begun planning to support students and families with this transition. The first of various events will take place the first week of March. On March 7, the Rippling Woods administrators will come to meet students during their lunches. Then our families are invited to Rippling Woods for Grandfriends Night on the evening of March 7. We will share more details directly with families being redistricted. We will truly miss the students and families who are leaving Southgate, but we are excited for the opportunities that Rippling Woods will provide to our students and community.

We wish everyone a happy and healthy month of March!



### Upcoming Events

#### March 13

PTA Meeting @ 5:30 Media

#### March 19

2hr Early Dismissal  
(@ 12:25)

#### March 25-29

Schools Closed for  
Easter/Spring Break

#### April 1

Schools Closed  
Easter/Spring Break

#### April 4 & 5

2hr Early Dismissal  
(@ 12:25)

#### April 10

School and Central Office  
Closed – Eid al-Fitr

#### April 12

PTA Movie Night

#### April 26

Spring Pictures

#### May 6-10

Teacher Appreciation Week

#### May 14

School & Central Office Closed –  
Primary Election Day

#### May 17

PTA Carnival

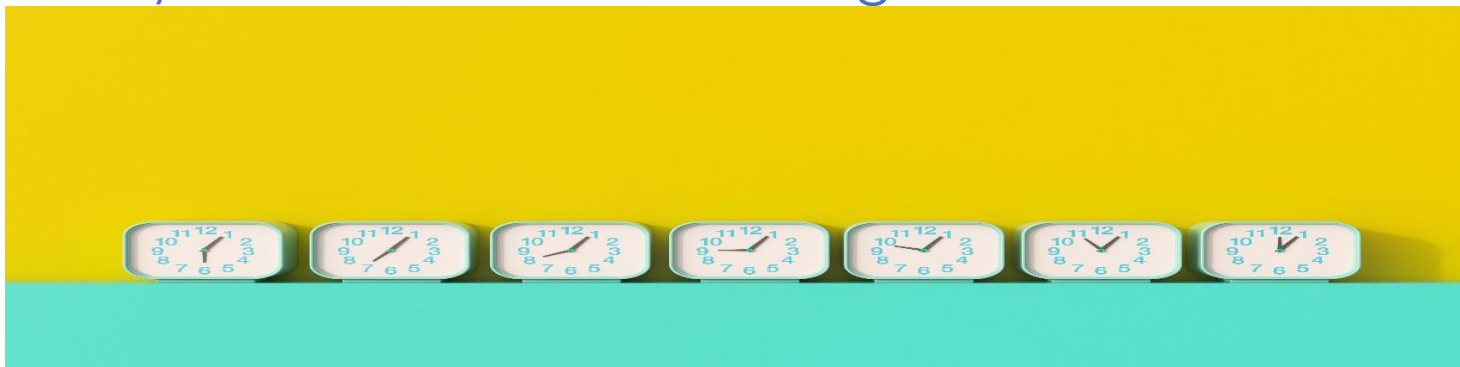
#### May 23 & 24

School Closed for PreK and  
Kindergarten  
(conferences)

#### May 27

School & Central Offices Closed –  
Memorial Day

# Mark your calendar! Time Changes March 10th



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\*Out-of-Area Transfer information can be found on AACPS main web page.  
(Students impacted by redistricting are not eligible for an out-of-area transfer)

\*If you have not already signed up for a Parent Portal account, please reach out to the school office. We can provide you with your Access ID/Password. We would love to see all our parents take advantage of accessing this information.

Parent(s) and legal guardians with children in **Kindergarten through grade 12** can request access to the PowerSchool Student/Parent Portal. All students in grades 6 through 12 have access using their AACPS network credentials. The Parent Portal provides real-time access to parents for their child's attendance, schedule, report card grades, assignments and scores. User guides in English and Spanish are located on the [Student/Parent Portal Homepage](#).



## **SIGN UP TO RECEIVE EMAIL/TEXT ALERTS OF BUS ROUTE IMPACTS**

**As part of our ongoing effort to keep families and the community updated on impacts to bus route operations, Anne Arundel County Public Schools offers email and text message notifications of disruptions to student bus service.**

**To subscribe to that free service, log on to [www.aacps.org/busnotifications](http://www.aacps.org/busnotifications).**


**The system provides email and text message notifications in either English or Spanish to those who register. Users are asked to provide the bus number and school for which they wish to receive the notification.**

**Users can sign up to receive multiple notifications and will be asked to confirm registrations through the email address or phone number they utilize. One registration will need to be done for each bus/school combination.**

## [March Lunch Menu](#)

Lunch \$2.75





### **AACPS is a tobacco-free campus**

...this includes our grounds, parking lots, school building, and play ground areas. This also includes no smoking in your car while on school property. This also includes no smoking as you walk up to our school building. Please do not smoke on AACPS property. Help us spread this positive message out throughout our community.

# **SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**

**April 11th-April 19th**

**\*More details to follow!**

**Volunteers are needed!  
Please email Ms. Nevy to sign up!  
[hnevy@aacps.org](mailto:hnevy@aacps.org)**





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*2023-2024*

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Or go to [Online School Payments](#)

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\*Or complete this form and send in cash or a check (exact change only)  
made out to **Southgate Elementary School**

Money must accompany this order form if paying by cash/check  
*Exact Change Only*

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Student's First and Last Name

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Teacher/Grade

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Number of Yearbooks ordered

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Email Address



## DID YOU KNOW?

On March 10, 1876, [Alexander Graham Bell](#) made the first phone call. "Mr. Watson, come here," he said to his assistant. "I'd like to see you." Bell's creation forever altered both the globe and how we communicate.

# Apex Arts Summer Enrichment Camp

July 22nd - 25th 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Studio 39  
291 Locust Ave, Annapolis



Apex Arts Summer Enrichment Camp gives current 3rd & 4th grade students the opportunity to explore a variety of arts areas that Apex Arts offers from visual art, music, dance, theater, and more!

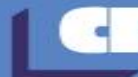
**Scan the QR code to sign up !**



<https://www.aacps.org/summer>



**APEX ARTS**



**CREATE**

**your way up.**

# LUCKY BINGO

## THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024

SOUTHGATE ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM

GAMES START AT 6:00PM



Fundraiser sponsored by the Southgate PTA

**RSVP at [www.southgatepta290.com/events](http://www.southgatepta290.com/events)**

*\*All children must remain accompanied by an adult 18+*

**Each student receives a FREE game pack of 6 cards upon entry**

Available for Purchase:

Extra 6 Card Pack \$4

Raffle Tickets \$1



**DONT FORGET TO WEAR YOUR GREEN!!** 

**\*\*Southgate Elementary is accepting gently used kids sweatpants, leggings or shoes.**

**ONE (1) FREE EXTRA GAME PACK TO FAMILIES WHO DONATE!**

**CASH ONLY PLEASE**

**\*\*\*Entry is FREE for all\*\*\***

**CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**





# Southgate Elementary March Madness Spirit Week



**MARCH 18TH - MARCH 22ND**

**MONDAY MARCH 18, 2024** – Green & Gold Day

*(Wear your Green and Gold to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.)*



**TUESDAY MARCH 19, 2024** – Unity Day

*(Wear your orange to stand against bullying and promote unity and kindness)*

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 20, 2024** – Twin Day

*(Find a friend and wear the same outfit or colors today)*

**THURSDAY MARCH 21, 2024** – Rainbow Day

*(Wear your grade levels assigned color)*



**FRIDAY MARCH 22, 2024** – Sports Day

*(In honor of March Madness, wear your favorite sports team's gear.)*





