

# Viera News

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# <u>Important Dates to Remember</u>

May 13th- 1:15 pm Early Release

May 16th- Fieldtrip - 6th Grade Gifted Cainine Commando's 3:00 pm SAC Mtg

May 16th- Science Test - 5th Grade

May 17th - Science Test - 5th Grade 3:30 PTO Mtg

May 19th- 6th Grade Medieval Times Fieldtrip

May 20th - 1:15 Early Release KONA Ice

May 24th - 1:15 pm Early Release

May 25th - 1:15 pm Early Release

May 26th - 1:15 pm Early Release
Last Day of School!
Report Cards Issued



# **Media News**

In Media news, the end of the year is quickly approaching. Please return all library books by Friday, May 13 so they can be inventoried and shelved before summer.

Did you know that children can lose one to three months of learning over the summer? It's called the Summer Slide and United Way of Brevard is partnering with us to keep students reading this summer! Be on the lookout for the United Way of Brevard's summer reading flier that will be going home with final report cards. If students entering grades K-2 read 10 books and students entering grades 3-6 read 8 multi-chapter books they will get an ice cream from United Way next school year! Forms can be filled out and brought back to school in the fall, or filled out online at: https://forms.gle/hoYhaLNKsaVnrytF7



# **Summer Camp**

Are you looking for information on summer camps? Fun 4 Space Coast Kids has compiled a complete directory of all the camps in the Brevard County area. They have all the dates, times, ages, and rates listed right here AND the listings are broken down into the type of camps you're looking for! https://fun4spacecoastkids.com/Camps/

# May is Mental Health **Awareness Month**

According to the data from the National Alliance on Mental Illness, 1 in 6 U.S. youth aged 6-17 experiences a mental health disorder each year. It is important to talk with your children about mental health. Talking with children by first introducing a book helps parents open a conversation about mental health issues in a softer format. The Child Mind Institute has compiled a list of books sorted by topic, such as ADHD, Bullying, Grief and Loss and Self-Esteem to name a few. Below are some discussion questions to get you started.

# **Discussion questions:**

- What new information did you learn? What information did you already know? What surprised you?
- What in the book can you relate to? Why?
- Imagine you had the chance to talk with characters or people in the book or video. What would you say to them?

Children learn by watching you. Try asking your child to do yoga with you, or to take a walk, practice slow breathing or practice guided meditation. YouTube has so many great resources. Cosmic Kids Yoga is a favorite for the Counselor Cottage students! Remember, when you take care of you, it is easier to take care of others and what better way to do that than to do it together?





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# What to know about

# speech disorders

Speech and sound disorders affect 8 to 9 percent of children in the U.S. Depending on the child's age and the underlying cause of the impairment, early intervention can be critical to preventing long-standing difficulties with speech and language.



# Types of speech disorders

### Speech articulation:

Omitting/distorting sounds or substituting one sound for another.

Abnormal vocal skills; changes in voice quality may indicate ongoing disorder.

Affects use or understanding of language: may affect social communication and ability to understand body language.

### Fluency:

Stuttering or abnormal speech production (common among pre-schoolers); if lasts for more than a few months, it may indicate a more severe, ongoing disorder.

## Diagnosis

If your child exhibits delayed speech and language development, it is important to schedule a full hearing examination with your pediatrician. One in four children will have some degree of hearing loss in their life and nearly 6 percent will be diagnosed with a specific language impairment.

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From there, a speech-language evaluation with a licensed speech pathologist may be necessary

to assess voice, fluency and speech and language



### **Treatment**

Children between the ages of 1 and 4 with speech difficulties are often treated

through play-based speech therapy. As they get older, therapy may continue to utilize games, art and music in addition to more structured

techniques such as oral-motor assessments, language interventions or speech practice depending on the type of speech disorder, the cause and the therapist.

For more health tips, visit uclahealth.org/mattel

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# **BPS Art Show**

The 4th and final Art Show for the 21/22 school year has come to a close. For those that do not know, the BPS Art Show is juried as a K-12 show. To be asked to participate is an honor as only a few students can be selected.

Help me in recognizing chosen participants for this art show. In addition, please congratulate Brynn Rosenthal for receiving a Merit Award!

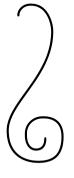
Congratulations to Brynn Rosenthal, Kellan Cook, and Ruby Nicoletti

The link for the Virtual BPS County Art Show can be found here:

https://artfulevaluation.com/Entries/ PublicShow/f36fc628-8d55-460d-b536-789a1a15341d











# Jen Peters with Keller Williams Platium Group For Stocking our Teacher's Lounge for the month of April! Domino's Pizza For sponsoring our Tennis Club Celebration with pizza donation. Teacher Appreciation Week Donations: East Coast Christian Center For Starbucks Gift Cards Mathnasium For Donunts, Coffee, and Goodie Bags Christi Beck For Pulled Pork Lunch Joe Schmitt For Lunch from Carraba's KONA Ice For Icees for all the Staff PTO For Breakfast and Taco Bar Lunch

