



Cape View Elementary

Home of The Captain Winston E. Scott Science and Technology Center

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Dear Parents and Students,

Please join us this Thursday, December 6, from 5:00-6:30 p.m., for our Title I Family STEAM Night, with a focus on Art and Technology. A variety of technology stations will be set-up in the cafeteria so that students and parents can explore each table. Our art teacher, Ms. King, will be displaying Sixth Grade Space Artwork for you to view as well. The Cape View Chorus will be performing for the Holiday Concert near the portico of the NEW City Hall on Friday, December 7th at 6:00 p.m. Our Cape View Winter Concert will be held at the school on Thursday, December 13th at 5:30 p.m., featuring Kindergarten, Chorus and Strings. You won't want to miss this special performance!

As many of you know, we are in the process of raising money for two new playgrounds: a Pre-K playground for our three and four-year olds and a K-6 playground for the older kids. Both playgrounds are rapidly deteriorating and it is time for a newer, safer play space for our students. Thus far, we have had donations from Southern Charm, Cocoa Beach Kiwanis, Cocoa Beach Rotary, and have also generated one thousand dollars from working "trash patrol" at the Space Coast Art Show and the Cocoa Beach Art Show. A big thank you goes out to Krysdina Grinnell and Sarah Ross for organizing and working their tails off to support our PTO and volunteering at these events. What an awesome PTO: Julie, Natasha, Janine and Tina you are also to be recognized for scheduling and working all of these events. Our next two big fundraising events will be the sale of our Sauces and Salsa Campaign (due at the end of this week) and Friday Fest Knick Knack Sale! Yes, we have a booth at Friday Fest on December 7th with lots of goods for purchase. All proceeds will benefit our new playgrounds. Come check out our Cape View PTO booth after the chorus performance this Friday. Volunteers are needed to work Friday Fest and at school to get items ready for this event. Please contact Tina Adams or Janine Lowe if you are able to help! *Thank you Ace Hardware for your generous donations!*

Winter Break for students and staff will be from December 24th through January 9th. This means that December 19, 20 and 21 are Early Release Days at 1:15 p.m. Holidays were meant for family time and relaxation; therefore students will not be receiving homework over the Winter Break. The only thing students in grades 4-6 should continue to work on is completing the items required for Science Fair. All students were given a timeline for parts of their project to be completed between now and our fair on January 31st. Teachers and students will return on Thursday, January 10, 2019. Progress reports will not go home until after the Winter Break on January 18, 2019.

Please be sure to sign up for our new parent /student tracking system for grades called FOCUS. A parent letter came home with the last report card with a special code for parent access to this system, which replaces the old Edline. Our school tech came up with a cute little jingle on the next page so that you will know how to access Focus. You just need to find your code. Only 14% of our parents are currently signed up. We are here to help you navigate through this new system so just ask if you do not know what to do.

We wish all of our families a very Happy Holiday and Prosperous New Year.

Mrs. Keane & Mrs. Brooks



December Events

Holiday Concert Cocoa Beach Library 6:00 p.m.	12/5
Family STEAM Night 5:00-6:30 p.m.	12/6
Holiday in the City Taylor Avenue/Polk Avenue 6:00-10:00 p.m.	12/7
PBS 2:45 p.m.	12/11
SAC Mtg. 3:00-4:00 p.m.	12/12
Music Program 5:30 p.m.	12/13
"EARLY RELEASE DAY" 1:15 p.m.	12/19
"EARLY RELEASE DAY" 1:15 p.m.	12/20
"EARLY RELEASE DAY" 1:15 p.m.	12/21
End of 1st Semester	12/21
"WINTER BREAK"	12/24 thru 1/9
Teachers/Students Return 2nd Semester Begins	1/10
SAC Mtg. 3:00-4:00 p.m.	1/16
Report Cards	1/18
"Holiday for All" Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday	1/21
PBS 2:45 p.m.	1/22
Parent Conferences (2nd Quarter) 5:00-7:00 p.m.	1/24



Holiday Jingle for our Parent FOCUS Directions:

Twas the night before Christmas for grades to come out, not a creature was stirring, not even the computer mouse. Momma ran to the computer and signed on right away, to see her child’s grades easily displayed. Principal Keane whistled and shouted and called out directions by name. Pay close attention and follow this game:

NOW www.brevardschools.org, NOW select Parents & Students. Next FOCUS Parent information and then select parent registration directions. (Calling directions out like reindeer names.)

Momma followed the directions, which were easy to follow, as the grades appeared, she hooted and hollered, to see such a site. Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night!



Thank you to the **Cocoa Beach Rotary** for your generous support and contribution to support our efforts for a new playground. You have been very involved in our schools and the community and we appreciate all you do for us.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF THE MONTH
FOR NOVEMBER, 2018

Kindergarten

Phoenix Alexander
Zariah Sorrell
Amiah Ratcliff

1st Grade

Jalen Seals
Ben Moore
Finley Graeper

2nd Grade

Sophie Steiner
Arrin Delano

3rd Grade

Sasha Samoylenko
Katelyn Fiori
Wilbur Irving

4th Grade

Anthony Buitron
Keoni Stephens
Carlo Villafane

5th Grade

Cedar Dunsworth
Olivia Hammac

6th Grade

Amelia Vogt
Gabriela Roldan Perez

Ms. Holt

Kaivon Lafontant

Ms. Thomas

Chad Mumaw



PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS WITH MUSIC!

Holiday Concert—Cocoa Beach Library

Monday, December 5th at 6:00 p.m.
Featuring: Intermediate Strings

Holiday Concert at Holiday in the City—Cape Canaveral City Hall

Friday, December 7th at 6:00 p.m.
Featuring: Cape View Chorus

Winter Concert

Thursday, December 13th at 5:30 p.m.
Featuring: Kindergarten, Chorus and Strings



Tips for Keeping Students Motivated before Winter Break from the PBIS Committee

Thanksgiving has come and gone. Now it's time to prepare for winter break and the holidays!

Like the rest of us, students love to look forward to a break from school. No more tests, papers, and teachers for a few whole weeks. Winter break from school sometimes brings as much joy to students as the holiday season does.

The problem with students looking so far forward to winter break is they forget to focus on what's right in front of them: ending the semester solidly. It's so easy for students in all grades, especially elementary age, to slack at this time of the year, sliding lazily into the last few weeks of the semester.

Unfortunately, this is absolutely the wrong time to ease up on learning. Important information is being introduced throughout the year plus December means mid-year tests which can be crucial to the overall grade.

If your student has visions of sugar plums dancing in his or her head instead of math equations, here are a few tips to keep him focused:

Focus on the goal.

Focus is a skill. Develop it with your student by finding out what really keeps him or her centered on a goal. Some students like lists to check off. Some like visualizing what it will feel like to finish a class well. Some are motivated by getting a good grade. Whatever it takes, make the focus of your student their academic goal.

Offer rewards for progress.

The best motivation for success comes from within. However, for some students, motivation is kick-started externally with rewards. The dangling carrot for your student could be things like a longer winter break, a dinner out, more free time, cash, a day with friends, and so on. Make sure if your student achieves their goal, you follow through with rewards promised!

Take breaks to help concentration.

You can't expect your learner to not get distracted by holiday events. The best way to beat the distraction is to allow your student to take breaks. This should be scheduled according to what you have left to accomplish. Breaks can be a few hours or a day or two.

Don't overcrowd the schedule.

Schedule can be an ugly word to students. This especially comes apparent in December. With events and parties, students can feel like they are pulled in multiple directions. Families sometimes take on more than they can handle with activities and schoolwork. Be sure to leave time in your student's schedule so he or she can focus on school.

Adapted from <https://www.aoademy.com/5-tips-for-keeping-students-motivated-before-christmas/>

The PTO Corner

PTO would like to remind parents and students to please return the PTO Fundraiser Forms with your orders for Sauces by Thursday, December 6th.

Payment can either be made by cash or a check made payable to Cape View PTO.

Cape View's PTO will be sponsoring a booth at the Cape Canaveral Holiday in the City held on Friday, December 7th. Please stop by the booth and check out the many different knick-knacks that will be available for purchase. They will make wonderful

Christmas gifts or just a gift for yourself.

(A big "THANK YOU" to Ace Hardware for their continued support and donations.)

All proceeds listed from the above events will go toward Cape View's new playground.



Students Prepare to Take iReady Diagnostic Two Assessment for Reading and Math

Your child has been interacting with i-Ready since the beginning of the school year; i-Ready is an interactive online learning program that helps students build essential skills in reading and mathematics. Students in kindergarten through third grade have access to reading lessons, and students in grades fourth through sixth have access to math lessons. Currently, all students are preparing to take reading and math diagnostic two to identify the specific skills each student needs to develop and measure academic growth through the remainder of the school year. This diagnostic also provides students with personalized online instruction and gives teachers guidance on how they can best support the needs of their students. i-Ready encourages students to take ownership of their learning and data. Students get real-time feedback, see motivating messages, and earn credits after completing lessons that they can use to get rewards, such as games. i-Ready's engaging environment draws students in right away and gets students of all ages excited about learning.

How can you help your child get the most out of i-Ready?

- Speak with your child about how using i-Ready will help him or her prepare for class work. Also explain that i-Ready will show teachers where your child is doing well and which topics need some more review.
- Encourage your child to take each lesson and quiz question seriously. Emphasize “thinking before clicking,” because just clicking through will not give teachers an accurate report of what your child knows and is able to do.

Parents, thank you for being involved in your child's education!

TITLE I CORNER

2018-19 Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP)

Cape View's Parent and Family Engagement Plan has been approved and is located on Cape View's website under the “About Us” section.

School Improvement Plan (SIP)

Cape View's School Improvement Plan has been approved and is located on Cape View's website under the “About Us” section.

You may also find a hard copy of our SIP and PFEP in the Parent Resource Binder located in the front office. If you would like your own personal copy of these documents or need translation assistance, please contact Ms. Wedel via e-mail (wedel.michelle@brevardschools.org) or phone (321-784-0284 ext. 3016).



The Faculty and Staff of Cape View would like to wish you and your family a Happy Holiday Season!!

We would like to remind parents that Winter Break begins on Monday, December 24, 2018.

We look forward to seeing you, when school resumes again, on Thursday, January 10, 2019!!