

March 24, 2017

Calendar of Events

March

- Mar. 27 – **Yearbook sale ends**
- Mar. 27 – Spring pictures
- Mar. 29 – End of 3rd nine weeks
- Mar. 31 – No School – Work day

April

- Apr. 01 – Run for a Cause
- Apr. 03 – PTO meeting 3:15 in Media Center
Officers election for 2017-2018
- Apr. 03 – K registration 12-6 pm
- Apr. 05 – K registration 8:30 am to 2 pm
- Apr. 06 – Report Cards go home
- Apr. 06 – 3rd Grade field trip to COA
- Apr. 07 – 2nd Grade field trip
- Apr. 10 – K registration 12-6 pm
- Apr. 12 – K registration 8:30 am – 2 pm
- Apr. 13 – 2nd Grade Program 10:00 am
- Apr. 14 – Early Release 1:00 pm
- Apr. 14 – LOCKS fundraiser chicken dinner
- Apr. 17-21 – Spring Break – No School
- Apr. 26 – Administrative Assistants Day

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Remember to order your GPS Yearbook. The deadline for ordering is Monday, March 27th. An order form is at the bottom of this Bear Tracks.

Grandy Primary School
Phone 252-331-4838
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At Grandy Primary School our students will develop a love for learning, build a solid academic foundation, and prepare for the future.



GPS Spring pictures will be taken on Monday, March 27th. A flyer was sent home with students.

SAFETY MATTERS

LOCKS fried chicken dinner fundraiser is Friday, April 14th from 4-7 pm at CCHS cafeteria (dine in/carry out). Tickets are \$9.00. Pictures with Easter Bunny will be available for \$3.00. Whichever school sells the most tickets will be rewarded with a pizza lunch for all staff. Please ask your child's teacher about tickets. You can get the latest updates if you LIKE LOCKS on Facebook. Thanks for your support of our schools.

2016-2017 GPS Yearbook Order Form

Student's Name _____ Teacher _____

Phone Number _____

Number of Yearbooks Ordered _____ x \$20.00 = \$ _____ amount due

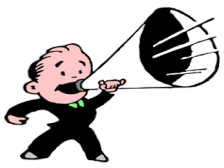
PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO GPS PTO.

Completed order form with cash or check for the total amount due must be returned to your child's teacher by Monday, March 27th, 2017. Yearbooks will not arrive until mid to late May for delivery. Thanks.

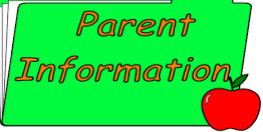
2016-2017 GPS PTO Officers

Candice Beckner – President Lindsey Fisher – Vice-President Karin Cummings – Secretary
Melissa Perez – Treasurer Alison Harris – Fundraising Coordinator

Use gpspto@yahoo.com for comments, questions, suggestions, or for Bear Tracks news. Also view Bear Tracks on the GPS website. Check us out on our GPS PTO Facebook page.



GPS and GPS PTO Information for Parents – PLEASE READ!!



Third Grade tutoring will be scheduled to begin when we return from Spring Break – 4 Reading and 4 Math sessions. Information has been sent home. Any questions, please contact Lisa Byrum at (252) 331-4838.

Student Attendance has a direct impact in the overall success and growth of your child. Any student who has missed more than 10 days of school will have an attendance letter attached to this nine weeks report card. It is critical that you have all doctors' notes and other documentation to support why your child was out. We appreciate you not sending your sick child to school and following our health requirements in regards to fever and being symptom free. Meetings will be scheduled for children who have missed 20 or more days to determine grade placement and promotion based on school board policy. If you have any questions, you can contact Maria Brickhouse or Tim Lazar at (252) 331-4838.

Kindergarten pre-registration for GPS will be April 3rd, 5th, 10th, and 12th. All children who were born on or before August 31, 2012 are eligible for Kindergarten registration for the upcoming school year. Complete details for this registration including times and the documents needed are listed on the previous week's Bear Tracks which is on our website and our GPS PTO Facebook page. If you have any questions, please call the school.

Kindergarten swim program is scheduled for May 8th through May 18th. This has proven to be a great program for our students. More information will be coming home to our Kindergarten parents later.

Lunch account status for your child should be monitored as we approach the end of the school year. Please make every effort to keep your child's account in the positive and pay all negative balances as soon as possible. You should be receiving notes from the cafeteria staff every Wednesday. All negative balances will be sent to collections. In addition, if your child is in Kindergarten through second grade, all money left in the account at the end of the year will be kept in their account for next school year. If your child is in third grade, any remaining money in the account will be sent home with the child at the end of the year.

Dates for upcoming events are listed in the Calendar Events section on the front page of this Bear Tracks and in this note for future months. As time is flying by and the end of the school year is quickly approaching, please be aware of the dates listed and mark your calendar for these important dates involving your child.

May – 1-5 is Teacher Appreciation Week; May 5th is K & 1st grade field day; May 11th is 2nd & 3rd grades field day; May 12th is school nurse's day; May 19th is Dunk Lazar day.

June – End of the year parties: June 5th is Kindergarten and 1st grade; June 6th is second grade; June 8th is 3rd grade ceremony in the gym at 10:00, June 9th is the last day of school and an early release at 1:00pm.

Testing dates for 3rd grade EOG's are as follows: May 31st is Reading; June 1st is Math, June 2nd and 5th are EOG make-ups.

The GPS PTO April meeting scheduled for Monday, April 3rd will be held in the Media Center at 3:15 pm. The PTO officers for next school year will be selected at this meeting. The March 10th Bear Tracks, which can be seen on the school website and the GPS PTO Facebook page, listed the positions and their duties. Please contact the PTO if you are interested in becoming an officer or have questions concerning the positions. We need volunteers to fill these positions and to support our PTO and our school.

The GPS PTO Dunk Lazar fundraiser is scheduled for May 19th. A flier with all the information for selling tickets, prizes, and form to request tickets will go home with students on Friday, April 7th. Ticket sales will begin on Monday, April 10th. If every one of our students sold 50 tickets, we would have over \$25,000.00 raised for our school. Please help make this event a huge success and keep Mr. Lazar in the dunking tank all day long!!

The GPS PTO Fall Festival, which will be Saturday, October 21st, 2017, is our school's biggest fundraiser and largest community event held at Grandy Primary School. This event takes a lot of planning and hard work from our dedicated PTO officers. We are always looking for businesses and corporate sponsors to help reduce cost and to increase our profits for the school. If your company or place of employment is willing to help, please contact our PTO.

Auction baskets for Fall Festival are always a huge success. Even though it is early, if you are out shopping and see items on sale that can be placed in one of our traditional baskets, we would greatly appreciate your donation. Thank you in advance for making this a great event and supporting your school.

Run for a Cause will be April 1st at The Great Dismal Swamp State Park. Registration is \$25 for adults and \$15 for kids 5-9. Registration begins at 8am and the walk/run begins at 9am. Contact Camden Early College High School for more information.

Donations for the CCHS SGA drive for **CHKD Pediatric Cancer Care Kits** need to be dropped off at any Camden School by April 7th. See last week's Bear Tracks for items needed and complete information.