

April 2, 2019

Important Dates

2 April, Tuesday PTA Meeting, 7:00PM

3 April, Wednesday 5th Grade visits to middle schools

4 April, Thursday Kindergarten/School Information Session, 9:15AM

11 April, Thursday STEAM Night, 6:00-8:00PM

15-19 April Spring Break

5 May, Sunday May Fest Fiesta

7 May, Tuesday PTA Meeting. 7:00PM

2018-2019 Early Release Dates: June 5, June 12. Students will be dismissed at 1:26PM.

From the Principal

Hi Everyone,

This month, we are celebrating **Disability Awareness**. Ask your Knight what they are learning about differently-abled students and acceptance. Watch for updates on Twitter too. Did you know many famous Americans have disabilities? Check out this <u>article</u> from the Huffington Post highlighting 10 of them.

Please check out the PTA website to view the PTA Newsletter for this week.

Eileen

Kudos and Appreciation

Thank you to **Susan Butler** and **Meredith Chistolini** for all your hard work in pulling together our fabulous Book Swap and Ice Cream Social. What a great turnout!

Announcements and Reminders

If you are looking for a way be a member of the **PTA Executive Team**, volunteer, or just attend the meetings, now is your chance! The PTA Is currently searching for a team to lead the 2019-20 school year. The PTA is currently searching for people to fill the roles of Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Communications and Recording Secretary. This is an excellent opportunity to meet new people, be part of a great team and laugh! No experience required. Contact the PTA Nominating Committee at nominatingcommittee@nespta.org or reach out directly to Angela Na, Gina Craig, Laurie Sinton or Lauren Rascoe.

Reminder...Rising grade level orientations are on the horizon! Stay tuned for dates when you can come hear from **teacher teams** about what you can expect next year at each level.

Reminder...Please join us for Nottingham's STEAM Night on Thursday, April 11th from 6:00-8:00 PM.

What? STEAM Night When? Thursday, April 11th Where? Nottingham Elementary Time? 6:00-8:00pm

What should I expect?

- Hands on STEAM stations in the cafeteria
- ImagiLAB activities in the library
- STEAMing Ahead Exemplary Project Expos
- STEAM Museum (Ticket Required see below)

The STEAM Museum hosted by Mobile Ed Productions will feature hands-on activities in the gym from 6:00-8:15. For this experience, space is <u>limited</u>, and it is a *first come*, *first serve*! Sign up today to receive a ticket at: https://bit.ly/2TQjawq

Sign-ups for the STEAM Museum experience will close on Sunday April 7th. Tickets will go home on April 8th.

Reminder...Believe it or not, we have started to plan for the next school year and we would like to get an idea of who's returning. Below is the link for Intent to Return information. We request that this online link be filled out by every family by May 1. This information really helps us to plan for next year. If you do not have access to the online link, please contact the office and we can help you. Thanks for your cooperation! bit.ly/ntmintent

Reminder...The **Standards of Learning (SOL)** testing window is from 5/13- 6/14. Nottingham Elementary School will be administering tests on the dates below. Please refrain from scheduling doctor's appointments or travel during this window or on these dates.

3rd Grade SOL Dates

- Reading 5/23
- Math 6/6

4th Grade SOL Dates

- Reading 5/22
- Math 6/5
- Virginia Studies 5/30

5th Grade SOL Dates

- Reading 5/21
- Math 6/4
- Science 5/29

Reminder...Make and show your film APS! Free and unlimited entries for all APS students to enter the 7th annual Arlington School Film Festival which will be the biggest yet! The 6-week countdown to deadline has begun! Have fun!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScMg884XPIdKBbgT6da8R6o3ST2PPvaC1Ma6Ss1X6HPSZK1tg/viewform

Reminder...Save the date! Planning is already underway for 5th grade promotion. We are excited to celebrate and bid farewell to our fabulous fifth grade class by having promotion **here at Nottingham** on **Tuesday**, **June 18 at 10:00AM**. More information to come.

Reminder...Registration opens for APS summer enrichment options, including: Global Village, Laureate, Fun with Coding, and Summer Math Academy is now open. Please see the attachment for more information. Registration for Summer School is also open. Arlington Public Schools provides a variety of summer programs for students in Pre-K through Grade 12. Most classes begin on July 8.

Reminder...Do you have neighbors with **rising kindergartners**? Please remind them to come in to register for the 2019-2020 school year as soon as possible. Kindergarten registration is now open. Please encourage your neighbors to come in and pick-up a registration packet. Spread the word, we will accept partially completed packets. There is no need to wait until after you've completed the physical to return components. Getting students registered now helps us with determining our staffing needs. Our second Kindergarten Information Session will be **April 4**, at **9:15 AM**.