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ORANGE BEACH ELEMENTARY

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4900 South Wilson Boulevard

Staff

Appreciation!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 5/2 - 2nd Grade Field Trip
- 5/3 - 1st Grade Field Trip
- 5/4 - Cardboard Boat Regatta
- 5/6-5/10 - Staff Appreciation Week
- 5/6-5/7 - Boating Safety
- 5/7 - Special Olympics & Band Concert
- 5/8- 6th Grade OBMHS orientation & 3rd Grade Field Trip
- 5/9 - Senior/Kindergarten Walk & 3rd Grade Market Day
- 5/10 - Field Day
- 5/11 - Cake Day
- 5/14 - 3rd-6th Grade Spelling Bee
- 5/15- Kinder and 6th Grade Graduation
- 5/16 - Talent Showcase & OBHS Graduation
- 5/17 - Terrific Kid & Academic Pep Rally & Run the Halls & Field Day Makeup Date for Weather
- 5/20 - 1st-5th Grade Awards Day
- 5/21 - AR Beach Trip
- 5/22- Class Parties & Last Day for Students
- 5/23 - Staff PD/Work Day



C.A.K.E. DAY
COASTAL ALABAMA KID ENTREPRENEURSHIP

PRESENTED BY: BALDWIN EMC, COLUMBIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, Riviera Utilities

WHAT IS IT?

Coastal Alabama Kid Entrepreneurs (or C.A.K.E.) is a **FREE** program open to Kindergarten through 5th grade students in the Gulf Shores & Orange Beach areas.

Through guidance of the Coastal Alabama Business Chamber and local businesspeople, we will teach students how to successfully start & operate their very own business!

WORK SHOPS

Recipe for Sweet Success Workshop - Saturday, Feb. 17th - 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Learn the basics of branding, marketing, and creating a business plan.

Money Matters Workshop - Saturday, March 2nd - 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Learn about cost, profit, business expenses, and our Little Lenders program.

Build-A-Stand Day - Saturday, April 6th - 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Build an easy to assemble PVC stand to act as your storefront.

WHEN IS IT?

The actual C.A.K.E. Day will be taking place all throughout Coastal Alabama on **Saturday, May 11th**.

Students will take the skills they've learned in our workshops and put them to the real-world test as they open their businesses to the general public. A list of "Safe Stand Locations" will be available for students to select where they will set-up on May 11th.

Scan the QR code to the right or visit bit.ly/cakeday24 to sign-up!

For more event details, follow us on Facebook at: Coastal Alabama Kid Entrepreneurs

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SIGN-UPS



BEST ATTENDANCE



Congratulations to 5th Grade!

APRIL					
	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Total
K	93.25	95.58	95.32	97.92	95.93
1	97.85	96.00	98.46	95.38	96.57
2	96.50	96.25	96.75	98.00	96.53
3	98.81	96.72	95.82	97.31	96.68
4	94.84	96.18	97.75	97.30	96.73
5	96.53	96.54	98.27	97.53	96.97
6	96.97	97.17	96.97	94.95	96.15

Our 5th grade had the best attendance in April with 96.97 % of students being at school everyday. 4th grade was so close!! 5th graders will earn an extra recess and their teachers earned a pass to wear jeans for a week. We can't wait to see which grade level had the best attendance for the year.

Students in the Spotlight

TERRIFIC KIDS



(Pre-K- 3rd Grade)



(4th Grade- 6th Grade)

Congratulations to our April Kiwanis Terrific Kids!

EMPLOYEES IN THE SPOTLIGHT

EMPLOYEE *Spotlight*

Mrs. Dykes, our reading coach, rocks at getting to know our students and always has their best interests at heart. Her focus is always on what works best to address their learning needs. She goes the extra mile to make sure our students succeed. Teachers want to learn from her because she is willing to roll up her sleeves and do the work alongside them. She has a gift for building relationships and is often seen greeting each child by name and helping teachers out. Thanks for being such a star player on our team!



ERIN DYKES

EMPLOYEE *Spotlight*

Mrs. Ford consistently goes above and beyond to challenge her students in a constructive, caring manner that elevates their learning experience.

She inspires her students to be their best, and she is there to support her students outside the classroom by showing up to their games. She truly is exceptional, and we count it a blessing to have her on our team. She is a mentor and motivator to her students.

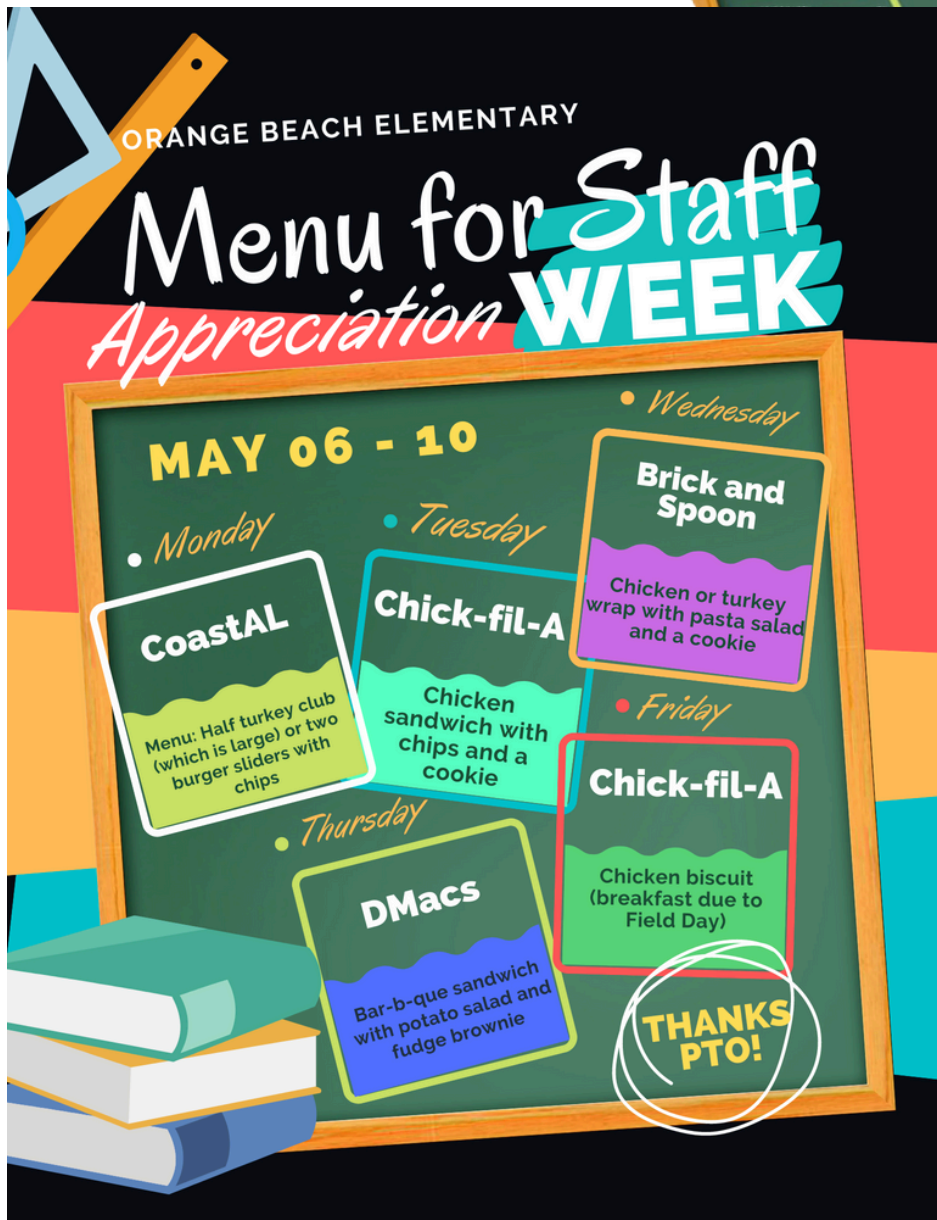


SHELLY FORD



PTO UPDATES

Teacher Appreciation Week is next week, May 6 through May 10. The PTO decorate the front entrance of the school, provide teacher lunches for the week, and assist with Field Day and provide the inflatables on May 10.



THANK YOU SPONSORS!

Allison Burns with Abide Boutique & Precision Payment Systems for lunch from Brick & Spoon

Jeff and Michelle Davis for Chick-fil-A biscuits

Nadia Arnold & family for lunch from Chick-fil-A

Mary Cain Fowler with Bella Beach Properties for lunch from CoastAL

END OF THE YEAR EVENTS

Kindergarten and 6th-grade students should arrive at the elementary school like they do on a typical school day. They will ride the bus to the Performing Arts Center for graduation. Kindergarten students will wear caps and gowns. 6th grade students should dress in their Sunday best.

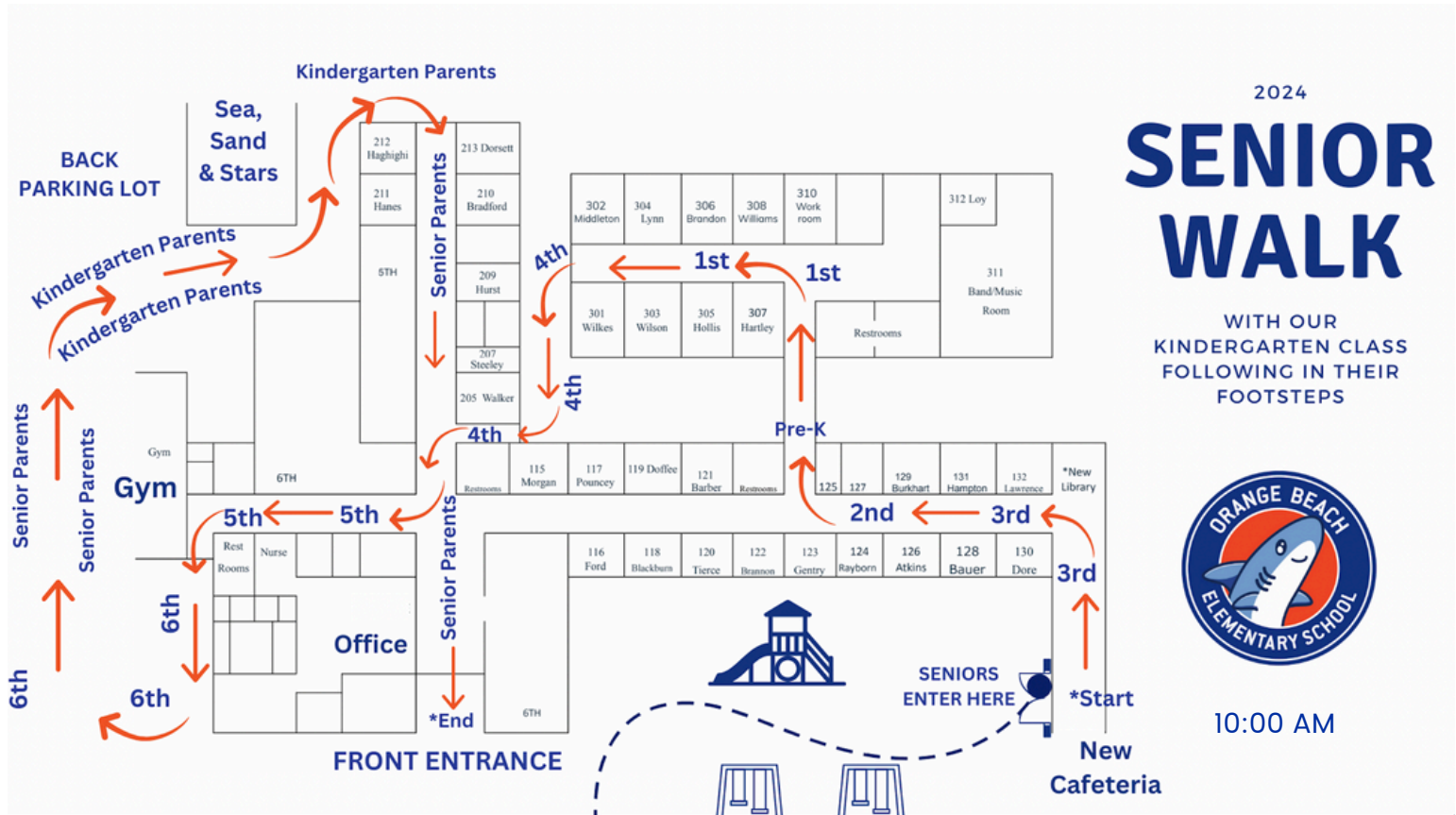
Parents will be allowed to check out their child at the PAC. Teachers will have sign out sheets.



AWARDS DAY ATTIRE

First through 5th-grade students may dress in their Sunday best for Awards Day. Parents will receive invitations soon. We hope you will join us as we celebrate our students' achievements.

END OF THE YEAR EVENTS



10:00 AM

ACCELERATED READER

"RIDING THE READING WAVE"

- We have already reached our 2nd semester school-wide goal of 7,000 books read with quizzes passed at 80% or higher.
- We've read at 7,702 books!!!
- Our 4th Quarter AR deadline is Wednesday, May 15.
- Our school wide incentive for this semester is a "BEACH THEME" to be held during PE this month.
- The top 3 AR students from each grade will be recognized at Awards Day!
- Our Beach Trip for students that earn their 2nd, 3rd, and 4th quarter goals is on the morning of May 21st. Field trip permission slips will be sent home. Students will not be allowed to get in the water but will have time to play on the beach.