

# Mustang Messenger

March 15, 2018

## March

### *Trustworthiness*

**Thursday, March 15, 2018**

Third Quarter Ends

Box Tops ends

**Friday, March 16, 2018**

Teacher Planning Day – Student Holiday

**March 19, 2017**

Muffins with Mom (A-K)

**March 20, 2017**

Muffins with Mom (L-Z)

SAC Meeting

**March 22, 2017**

Spirit Night – Location TBD

**March 23, 2017**

Character Counts

**Monday – Friday, March 26 – 30, 2018**

Spring Break – Student/Teacher Holiday

## April

### *All Pillars*

**Monday, April 2, 2018**

Classes Resume for Students

**Tuesday, April 3, 2017**

PTA Meeting

**Thursday, April 5, 2017**

Box Tops begins

**Friday, April 6, 2017**

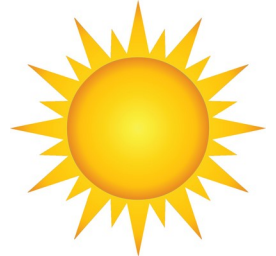
Spring Pictures and Honor Roll Assemblies

**Thursday, April 19, 2017**

Box Tops Ends

## Student performance SHINES!!

Spring brings the fresh look of new growth on trees and plants, the air delivers this very crisp smell and feeling of excitement and the sun even begins to shine with a little bit more radiance. The world around us takes on new life during the spring! Reviving itself from the cold (this year especially), we have spring weather that graced our presence during January and February. As we enter in our final countdown of the year, our speed continues to charge ahead to the point that, sometimes, we feel like there isn't a second to breathe and enjoy the new life spring brings...BUT it's never too fast to celebrate the GREATNESS of our students!



This time of year is a great time to celebrate the significant growth we have seen in our learners. Recently, our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders took the FSA Writes assessment. Their feedback after writing glowed with excitement on how they were able to write with confidence and felt like accomplished writers. We were so proud of their effort and their commitment to working hard!

1<sup>st</sup> grade celebrated "All about Books" with parents and families. They used text features, such as headings, bold words, table of contents and a glossary. However, the highlight of their writing was the information they included as authors to teach others. They used great sentence structure and remained on topic throughout their book. Mill Creek has amazing writers!

On Wednesday, Mrs. Neal and classrooms from each grade level showcased music learning with Music in our Schools for friends and families. Simply amazing! Additionally, Thursday evening, Mrs. Neal and the Mill Creek Orff Ensemble treated our parents and families to a lovely concert filled with the artistic abilities of our students. The sound was much beyond the years of our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students.

The students at Mill Creek continue to SOAR in all areas of their life. They have shown increased leadership, Mustang PRIDE behaviors that show outstanding citizenship, and have persevered as learners. This work could not be done without the continued support of our parents and families. The trust, feedback, and immediate attention you give continues to support our vision of "Learning for ALL" and is the driving force behind the success of students. Thank you for continuing to support the education needs of students!

Learning Forward,  
*Amanda L. Riedl*



## Support our Mustangs Making a Difference Relay for Life Team!

For more information and to donate, click [here](#). Thank you for your support!



## Let's get ready to GLOW!

Registration for the 3rd annual **READY.SET.GLOW 5K & Fun Run** is OPEN! The event will be held on **Friday, April 6, 2018**

and proceeds will benefit Mill Creek Elementary, Wards Creek Elementary, Pacetti Bay Middle School and Picolata Elementary. This race will be chip timed and will include racing packets, T-shirts, and racing bibs. Also included are medals for the first 500 5K finishers and dog tags for the Fun Run finishers. The registration fee is \$30 for adults and \$15 for students for the 5K. The Fun Run is \$10.

For more information and registration, click [here](#). If you are interested in becoming a sponsor for the event, please contact Stacie Southall at [ssouthall78@comcast.net](mailto:ssouthall78@comcast.net).

# PTA NEWS

Thanks to all who came out to volunteer at our Mustang Gallop. I always enjoy the gallop seeing how excited the kids are to run around and those who set goals on how many laps they are going to accomplish this year. We will tally up those pledge sheets this week and get them back to you. The sheets that will come home are those that still owe money if they donated "per lap".

Break out your glow sticks and the neon paint! Join us on Friday, April 6th for the 3rd annual Ready. Set. Glow 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run. The 5K race will be chip timed and will include racing packets, T-shirts, and racing bibs. Also included are medals for the 5K finishers and dog tags for the Fun Run finishers. Student price is only \$15 for the 5k and \$10 for the fun run! The purpose of this event is to increase community involvement and support in student learning, to bring awareness to health & fitness & to raise needed funds for technology and educational enhancements in the classrooms. Proceeds from this race will be split equally between Wards Creek Elementary, Mill Creek Elementary School, Picolata Crossing Elementary School and Pacetti Bay Middle School.

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor for the event, please email [ssouthall78@comcast.net](mailto:ssouthall78@comcast.net). <http://readyssetglow5k.itsyourrace.com/event.aspx?id=10227>



## TESTING DATES

Our students will be testing on various dates through March, April and May. Please go ahead and note these grade level testing dates on your calendar. [Please remember not to schedule appointments on testing days.](#) We will be sharing more information and helpful tips as we move closer to the testing dates.

The testing schedules can be found below or by clicking [here](#). Please note that in order to ensure a good testing environment, **NO VISITORS will be allowed on campus on April 10 and April 11.**

### 2017-2018 FSA Testing Schedules

3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
ELA – April 10 & 11	ELA – April 16 & 17	ELA – April 26 & 27
Math – April 19 & 20	Math – April 23 & 24	Math – April 30 & May 1
		Science – May 2 & 3

### iReady Testing Schedule

Kindergarten	1 <sup>st</sup> grade	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade
ELA –May 14 & 15	ELA –May 7 & 8	ELA –May 10 & 11	ELA –May 3 & 4
Math –May 16 & 17	Math –May 10 & 11	Math –May 14 & 15	Math –May 7 & 8

### Art/Music/PE Testing Schedule

2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	4 <sup>th</sup> grade	5 <sup>th</sup> grade
May 16	May 16	May 9	May 9

## ***2018-2019 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION AND PREVIEW NIGHT***

Kindergarten Early Registration dates are listed on the Registration Tab of Mill Creek’s webpage. We will also be hosting a Kindergarten Preview Night in May (date TBD). Please visit the Registration tab ([here](#)) for more details.

### **St Johns County Schools 2018-2019 Early Kindergarten Registration Dates:**

March 20, 2018 – 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

April 4, 2018 – 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

April 11, 2018 – 1:00 PM-5:00 PM



Registration is also available this summer beginning May 29 from 7:30 AM-3:30 PM each day.