



the Soaring Eagle Newsletter

March 2023



PRINCIPAL:
DR. MINDY LONG

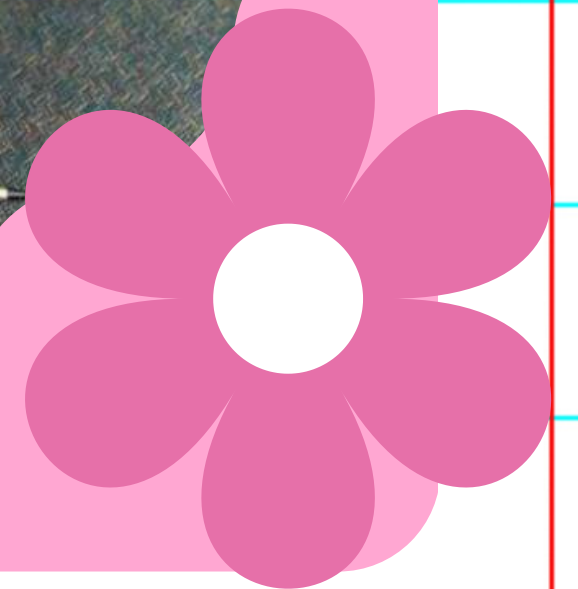
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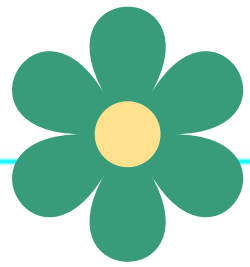
Dr. Long's

Notes

Can you believe we are in the final quarter of the school year? Our students and staff have been working hard and will continue to make these last weeks count. At the end of April we begin our end of year state testing and I know our students will be prepared to give their best. Please make sure that students are here, ready to learn each and every day this quarter. Along with the emphasis on learning, we have some fun events coming up as well. Everything from our Epic Fun day, field trips, PBIS water day, Fifth grade promotion, and family nights. If you are not already following Alta Vista on Facebook, please make sure you do so that you can get the latest information, flyers, and pictures of what is going on around campus and available for our families. Also, keep a look out for information on our Summer Eagle Academy which is free for incoming Kindergarten through Fifth grade students. We are hoping all of our eagles will attend this program that includes learning, fun, field trips, prizes, and best of all... our grand finale Eagle Fest!

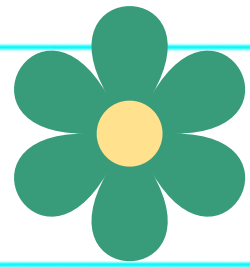


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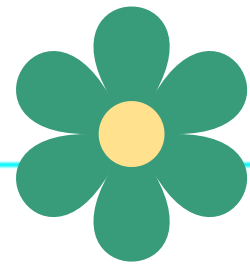
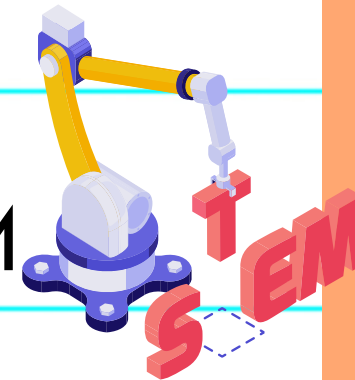


Family Literacy Night

Wednesday, 4.12.23 @ 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

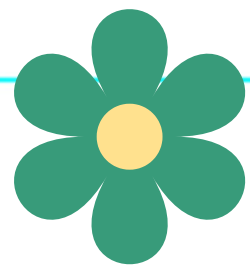


Out of this World! STEM Night
Thursday, 4.27.23 @ 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

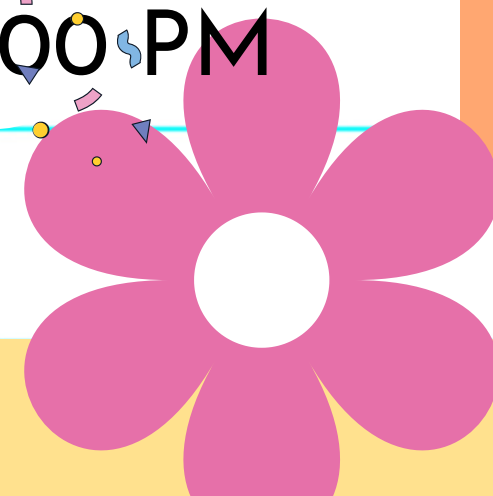


EPIC Sports FUN DAY

Wednesday, 5.24.23



5th Grade Promotion Ceremony
Wednesday, 5.24.23 @ 6:00 PM-7:00 PM



2022-2023 DISTRICT CALENDAR

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Scan for more information

JULY 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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4th – 8th – 240 Staff Non-Work Days
18th – 220 Staff Return

AUGUST 2022

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3rd – 196 Staff Return
10th – First Day for Students, 186 Staff

SEPTEMBER 2022

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5th – Labor Day - Students, All Staff

OCTOBER 2022

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12th – End of 1st Grading Period
14th – Professional Day - Students, 186 Staff

NOVEMBER 2022

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21st – 25th – Thanksgiving Break -
Students, 186, 196, 220 Staff
24th – 25th – Thanksgiving Break - 240 Staff

DECEMBER 2022

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22nd – End of 2nd Grading Period
23rd – 30th – Winter Break - Students, All Staff

JANUARY 2023

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2nd – 6th – Winter Break - Students, All Staff
16th – Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Students, All Staff

FEBRUARY 2023

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20th – Presidents Day - Students, All Staff

MARCH 2023

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10th – End of 3rd Grading Period
13th – 17th – Spring Break - Students, All Staff

APRIL 2023

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7th – Mini-Break - Students, 186, 196, 220 Staff

MAY 2023

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26th – Last Day for Students, 186 Staff
29th – Memorial Day - All Staff
31st – Last Day for 196 Staff

JUNE 2023

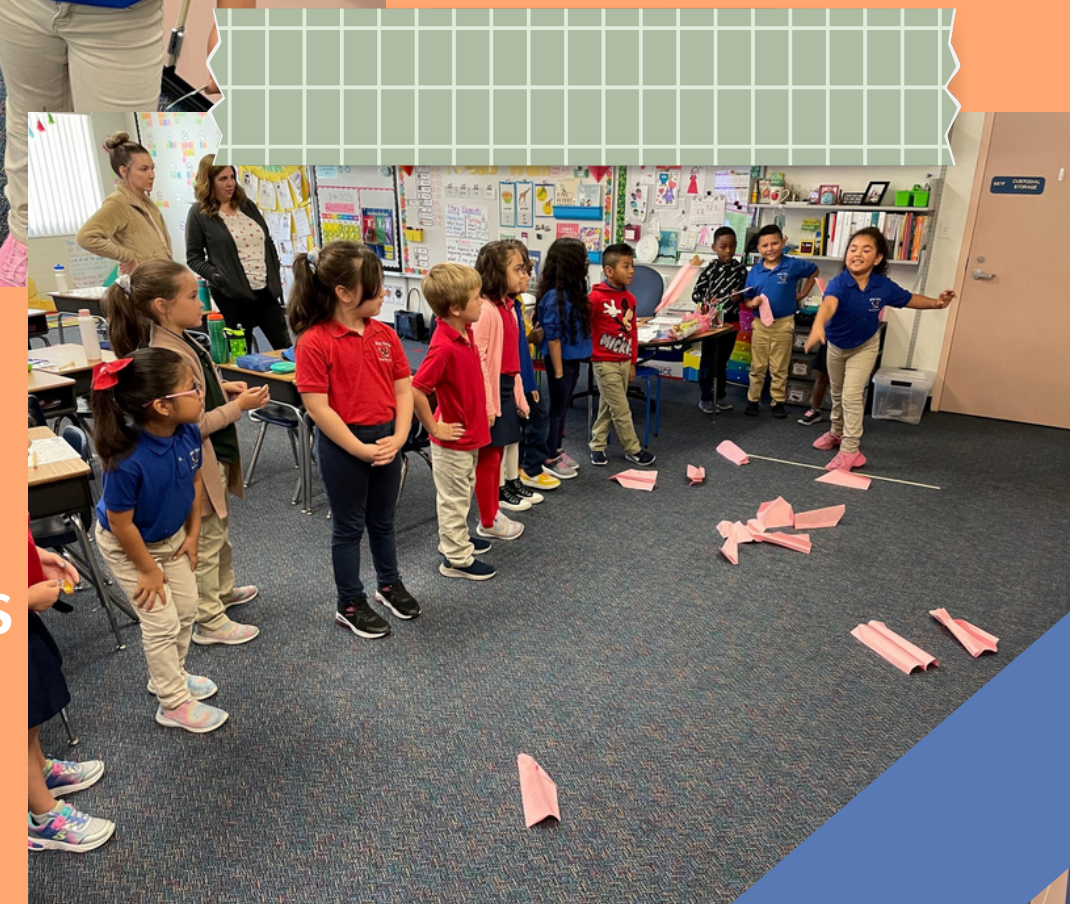
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16th – Last Day for 220 Staff

February STEM
Challenge

STUDENTS MADE
PAPER AIRPLANES AND
THEN TESTED TO SEE
WHOSE WENT THE
FARTHEST DISTANCE.

First Grade
Mrs. Anderson's Class



EPIC Sports FUN DAY

EPIC SPORTS FUN DAY COLOR RUN MAY 24, 2023



STEP 1:

BECOME A FUNDRAISER

Follow the registration instructions to create your students fundraising page. Customize your profile and share your link with family and friends.

STEP 2:

SHARE YOUR LINK

Fundraising for your school can be fun and easy. Find your link on the "My Dashboard" tab of your profile. Share the fundraising link by text, email, and social media.

STEP 3:

HAVE FUN

Registered participants join us for our E.P.I.C. Sports Fun Day. A day filled with interactive sports stations. Qualifying fundraisers celebrate with our EPIC COLOR RUN!

WIN PRIZES

Fundraisers have the chance to qualify for awesome prizes.

GOAL 1 REGISTER ONLINE = FREE entry to our EPIC Sports Stations

GOAL 2 \$30 - COLOR RUN = Color Run Entry + Color Run Shirt

GOAL 3 \$150 - PRIZE PACK = Color Run Pack + Sunglasses + Bluetooth Speaker + Sports Ball



GRAND PRIZE - PLAYSTATION 5
STUDENT WHO RAISES THE MOST FUNDS WINS!



EPICALTAVISTA.CAUSEVOX.COM
QUESTIONS? CONTACT US: 786.877.1751

HELP@C2CEPICYOUTH.COM



E.P.I.C SPORTS FUN DAY
MAY 24, 2023



REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

STEP 1: [http:// EPICALTAVISTA.CAUSEVOX.COM](http://EPICALTAVISTA.CAUSEVOX.COM)



STEP 2: BECOME A FUNDRAISER

STEP 3: CREATE A FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT WITH PARENT EMAIL AND PASSWORD

STEP 4: PLEASE ENTER YOUR CHILD'S FULL NAME

★ SHARED ACCOUNTS

- MORE THAN ONE STUDENT PARTICIPATING? ADD UNDER SIBLING SECTION
- UPDATE DISPLAY NAME WITH STUDENTS NAMES OR FAMILY LAST NAME

DISPLAY NAME

SARA, MATT & SOFIA / FERNANDEZ FAMILY

- EACH STUDENT MUST RAISE MINIMUM TO PARTICIPATE IN COLOR RUN
- ONE PRIZE PACK PER \$150 RAISED

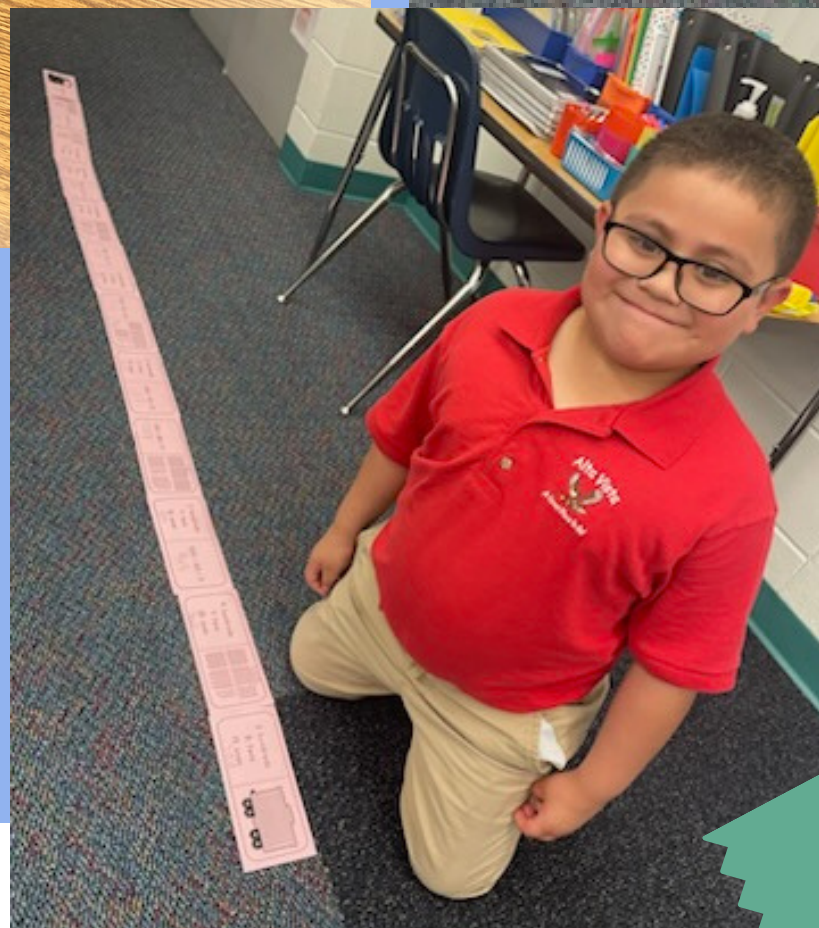
STEP 5: SEND YOUR LINK OUT TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

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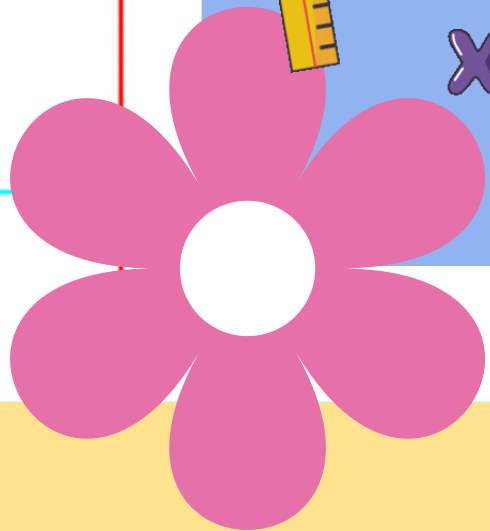
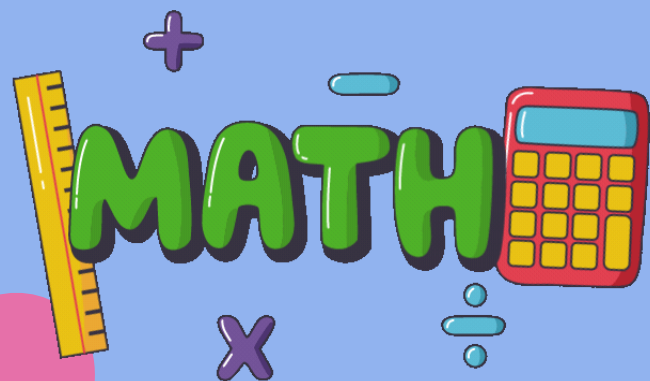
- ☒ REGISTER EARLY AND SHARE LINK WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS
- ☒ CREATE A QR CODE WITH YOUR STUDENT LINK - SAVE ON YOUR PHONE

Wednesday,
May 24,
2023



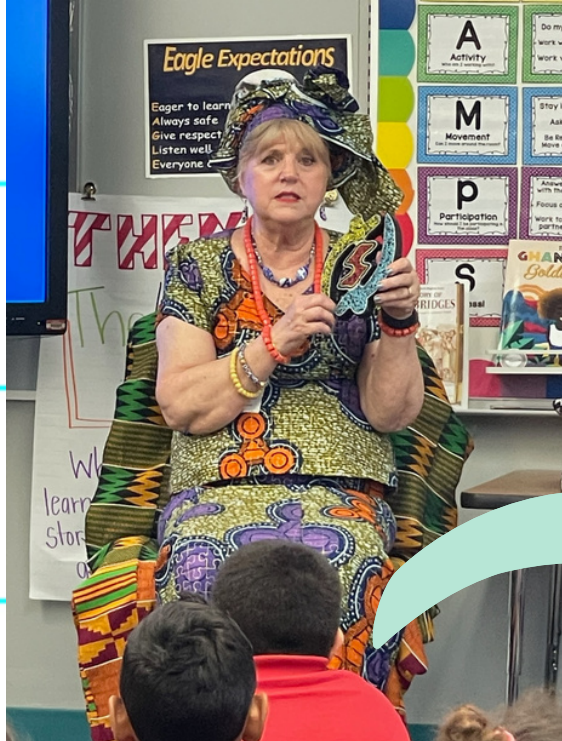
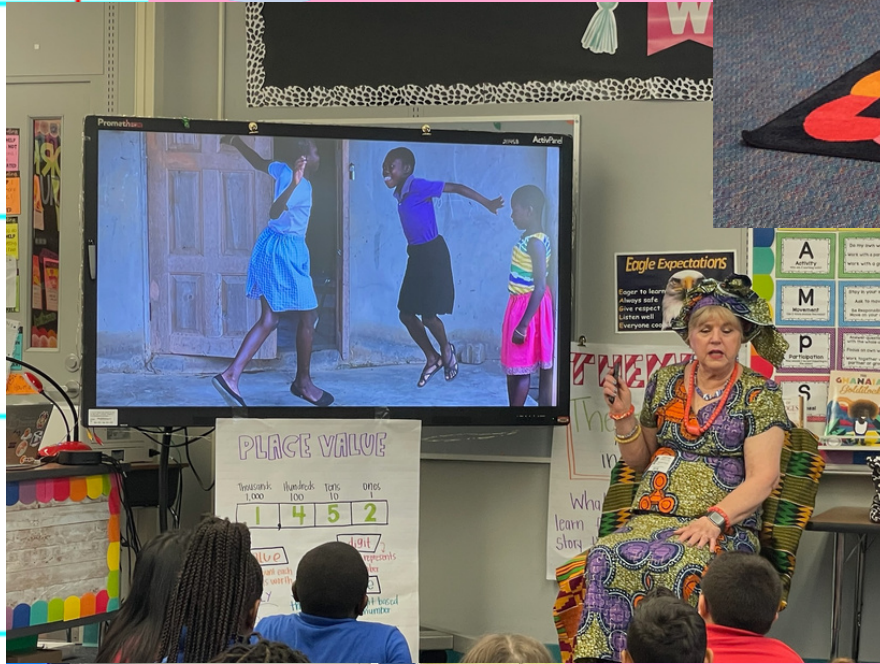
2ND GRADE

SECOND GRADE HAS BEEN WORKING HARD TO MASTER PLACE VALUE. DURING OUR WIN BLOCK, STUDENTS WORKED WITH DIFFERENT TEACHERS TO FURTHER THEIR PLACE VALUE KNOWLEDGE. EVERYONE HAD A GREAT TIME PARTICIPATING IN FUN, HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES TO HELP BUILD A STRONG MATH FOUNDATION.



2nd Grade Continued

Second Grade is learning about Ghana and participating in a cultural book exchange. To kick off the project, Ms. Debi Frock visited the 2nd grade classrooms to share her knowledge of Ghana through slides, artifacts, and stories. Students were each gifted a copy of "F is for Fufu," a Ghanaian alphabet book. Students will exchange letters with a 2nd grade student in Ghana to learn about ways that we are alike and what makes each of us unique.





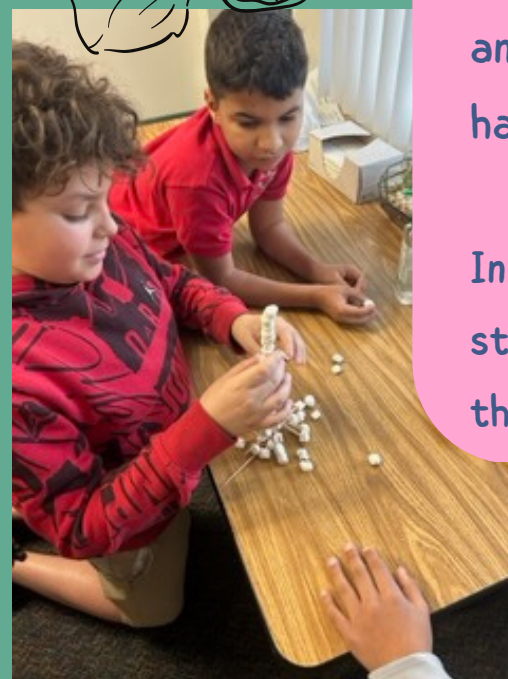
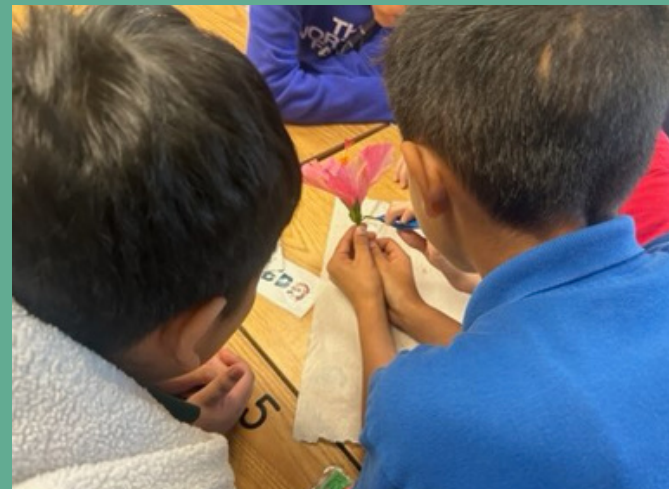
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GOALS

The Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support (PBIS) Program continues to motivate our Alta Vista Eagles as they continue to “Soar” this final quarter of the 2022-2023 school year. This month, students continued to earn Eagle Bucks to participate in the March Madness Basketball event. In April, students will participate in the Chick-Fil-A lunch. In May, PBIS will continue to support our students with some surprises and special events! More to come in the next few weeks! AVE students, keep working hard and earning those Eagle Bucks!

Not only are our Eagles earning Eagle Bucks for the Eaglezon store and PBIS. events, but many of our Alta Vista students are earning Exceptional Eagle Awards by demonstrating outstanding behavior. The acronym for EAGLE: E- Eager to learn, A- Always safe, G- Gives respect, L-Listens well, E- Everyone cooperates at Alta Vista, is part of the Exceptional Eagle Award. Students are recognized by teachers and staff on the news and then they are given a variety of rewards such as Eagle Bucks, Brag Tags, and special event discounts at area restaurants and stores. As a matter of fact, we have recognized nearly 200 students this year and we still have another quarter to go! Keep on “Soaring” Alta Vista Eagles! We are so proud of you!



4th grade has been working VERY hard lately! We have done many hands-on activities including STEM challenges! Students are required to work together to complete a common goal, communicate effectively, and come up with the best product they can. Some challenges included building a sled, building a structure using marshmallows and toothpicks, and making the best paper airplane they could! We've also been talking about plants. Students completed a flower dissection lab to see all parts required for pollination! 😊

Additionally, we have been working on our fraction and decimal skills in math! Adding and subtracting fractions and mixed numbers, multiplying fractions, converting fractions and mixed numbers back and forth... the list can go on! Students have been working so hard. Ask your learner about what we have been doing in class lately to hear more!

In ELA, students completed the iReady Reading Diagnostic recently. SOOOOO many students earned a no uniform ticket!! Can you believe 47 students earned this award for their amazing accomplishments?! Way to go, students!

4th Grade

IMPORTANT!

• Tasks

CONFLICT RESOLUTION

to do

Conflict Resolution Pirate Escape Room
with some 3rd grade students

GOALS



Reading
takes you
places!



Why read 20 minutes at home every day?



Student "A" reads:

- 20 min. per day
- 3,600 min. per school year
- 1,800,000 words per year
- ✓ Scores in the 90th percentile on standardized tests



Student "B" reads:

- 5 min. per day
- 900 min. per school year
- 282,000 words per year
- ✓ Scores in the 50th percentile on standardized tests



Student "C" reads:

- 1 min. per day
- 180 min. per school year
- 8,000 words per year
- ✓ Scores in the 10th percentile on standardized tests



If a student starts reading 20 minutes per night at home in kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student C will have read for 3 school days. This gap in reading experience and resulting vocabulary knowledge adds up over time.

Want to be a better reader? Just

R

Repeat
the book

E

Engage
and enjoy

A

Ask
questions

I

Do
more

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Satchel's Last Resort

RESCUE 🐾 REHAB 🐾 REHOME

Alta Vista Eagles and families participated in a successful "Pennies for Pups" coin drive to support Satchel's Last Resort Animal Shelter. Not only is this a great organization helping animals in our community, but Pennies for Pups gave the students an opportunity to understand empathy and compassion for animals. AVE was able to present Satchel's Last Resort Animal Shelter with a \$1200 check!



CONGRATULATIONS FOR
WINNING THE SACHEL'S
FUNDRAISING CONTEST:

MS. FEYGIN
MS. GIBBONS
MS. ANDERSON & MS.
COX
MS. NEUMAN
MS. NORGROVE
MS. DUFFY
MS. LAMPEL

Sarasota County Schools Information
Links are available to the following items for you to review:

Family Access Portal

View your child's attendance, grades, assignments and schedule on-line.

<https://parentportal.sarasotacountyschools.net>

Free and Reduced Meal Applications

This program is available to ANY & ALL families who qualify. This means breakfast and lunch could be provided to your child(ren) EVERYDAY we are in school for FREE or at a reduced cost to you.

<https://www2.myschoolapps.com/>

District Student and Family Handbook

<https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/Page/2548>

Policy Against Discrimination for Students, Employees and Applicants

<https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/Page/2613>

Student Social Media Guidelines

<https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/Page/4434>

Alta Vista Website

The Alta Vista Website provides key information on school events and programs

www.sarasotacountyschools.net/schools/altavista

Alta Vista's School Improvement Plan

School Improvement encompasses a system of accountability for districts and schools through the Florida Department of Education. Student performance is assessed as a measure to determine whether state educational standards are being achieved. Alta Vista's School Improvement Plan is available on the district website at:

<https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/Page/2641>

Alta Vista School Improvement Plan

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Sarasota County Schools Strategic Plan

<https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/Page/4820>

Title I Information

Title I is a federally funded program that provides financial assistance for school districts and schools with high percentages of children from low-income families to ensure that all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education.

IMPORTANT!



Alta Vista Pledge

I am Eager to learn

I am Always safe

I Give respect

I Listen well

Everyone cooperates at Alta Vista

