Dear Florence Roche Families,

We had a last taste of summer this week with our 2nd graders designing and testing their sailboats in the iLab. Students showed off their creative and functional designs in the testing pool powered by Mrs. Kelly's manufactured breeze. This weekend will definitely not feel like summer as the scheduled heavy wind and rain will keep the boats at the dock.





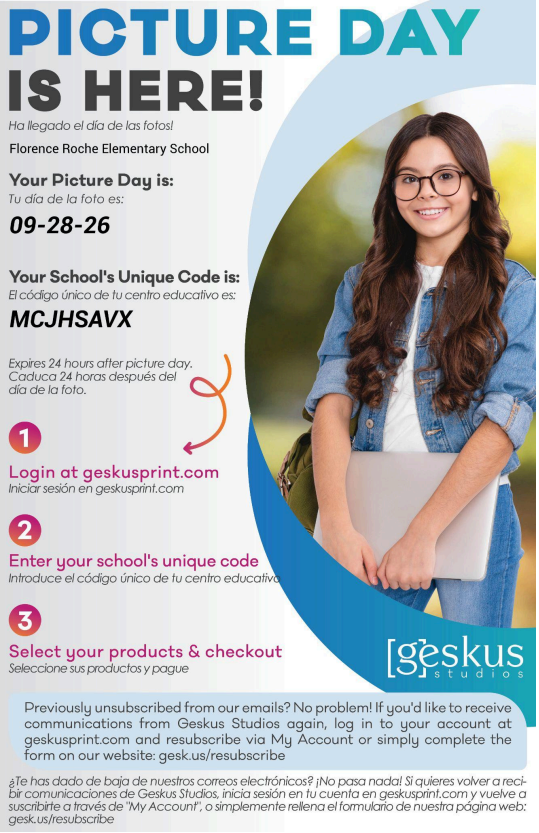




Kindergarten students have been busy thinking about and sharing their "Hopes and Dreams" for the year. It makes me smile when I read them and think of all that they will accomplish this year.

I'm sure you are looking forward to learning all about your student's hopes and dreams for this school year. You will get to see what they have been working on when you visit during our Open House on October 6th and 8th. Grades K, 1 and 3 will host families on Tuesday, October 6th and Grades 2 and 4 will host families on Thursday, October 8th. The classrooms will be open on both evenings from 6:15-7:15. This is a drop in event which means that you can travel between classrooms if you have more than one student's classroom to visit. The specialists will also be in their respective spaces between 6:15-7:15, so I encourage you to learn what your student learns in these spaces as well. Teachers will not be making formal presentations,

but please introduce yourself and say hello. Your student will tour you around the classroom and show you what they have been working on. We look forward to seeing you!



Don't Forget About Picture Day on Monday

School picture day is coming on Monday, September 28th. Every student will have their picture taken whether you choose to purchase pictures or not. Order forms with the details from our photographer will be coming home with your student. Be on the lookout and check their backpack for the form.

PTA Information:

-Membership Drive: Runs through 10/31 - Grade with most sign ups wins a hot cocoa party become a PTA member today - https://form.jotform.com/262027285272153

-First General Meeting: 9/30/2026 in FloRo Cafe! All are welcome!

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Important Dates:

- 9/28 - School Picture Day
- 10/6 - Florence Roche School Council Meeting @8:00am
- 10/6 - Open House for Grades K, 1 and 3 - 6:15-7:15
- 10/8 - Open House for Grades 2 and 4 - 6:15-7:15
- 10/9 - Early Release Day
- 10/12 - No School

Enjoy the weekend!

Brian