

The Ambassador

Freedom 7 Elementary School of International Studies An International Baccalaureate World School Kathryn Lott, Principal Lisa Megown, Assistant Principal



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL







April 5, 2024

Dear Parents!

We accomplished it! Today marked the official Ribbon Cutting and UNVEILING of our basketball court shade structure during our quarterly assembly. This achievement wouldn't have been possible without the backing of our APT Board, SAC members, and YOU! The entire school came together to commemorate the unveiling, acknowledge our IB Ambassadors, and showcase our unit learning. Our Quarterly Assemblies are a cherished component of our school-wide culture, and it was incredibly thrilling to gather together for this significant occasion.

Hopefully, you also noticed our amazing LED programable marquee! Be sure to watch it for important announce-ments and messages.

April 9, we will welcome our incoming kindergarteners. Come out and meet the teachers, new friends, see the classrooms, and enjoy lunch in the cafeteria. We hope to see you all there!

Kathy Lott





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Freedom 7 Elementary School of International Studies, an International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme School, provides a quality public education with a rigorous and relevant transdisciplinary curriculum. Students are encouraged to become critical and open-minded thinkers, lifelong learners and compassionate world citizens who respect cultural diversity and take action to better our world.

CONGRATULATIONS THIRD QUARTER FREEDOM 7 IB AMBASSADORS FOR DEMONSTRATING THE IB LEARNER PROFILE AND ACTION

KINDERGARTEN

AMANDA P.– MS. FIRKEL RIVER C.–MRS. MOTT RYLEIGH W.–MRS. RHING

FIRST GRADE

CHLOE S.-MRS. HARING CHASE C.-MRS. KIRVEN NAOMI J.- MRS. SMITH

SECOND GRADE

BROOKE H.– MRS. CURTIS AUDREY M.–MS. FALCONE HENRIK K.–MRS. YOUNGKIN



EMMA C.– MRS. COLADO MURPHY R.–MRS. PRUNEAU RAGLAN H.– MRS. NARDELLI

FOURTH GRADE DEREK A.-MRS. ROBERTSON ABIGAIL F.-MS. SCHOON KAEL R.-MRS. TARVER

FIFTH GRADE BISHOP B.– MRS. HUGHES MAKAYLA K.–MRS. WELLS LILLY G.– MRS. JOHNSEY

SIXTH GRADE

JONLUCA P.- MRS. BRENNAN GAVIN L.-MRS. LALLY OLIVIA M. - MRS. LAU-OWEN





Spring Mini-Concerts Freedom 7 Elementary

Kindergarten Wednesday, April 10th at 9:30am School Café'. Check in through the office.

1st Grade Monday, April 15th at 9:30am School Café'. Check in through the office. This is also "Purple Up Day". Please have students wear a purple shirt/uniform bottom.

2nd Grade Friday, April 26th at 9:30am School Café'. Check in through the office.

3rd Grade Wednesday, April 24th at 5:30pm Recorder Concert - Café' Pavilion

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April 8 - April 12

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day O



SPRING CONCERT

Beginning Strings Intermediate Strings

COCOA BEACH JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM April 30, 2024 6:00PM

Questions? Email haag.sandra@brevardschools.org

National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP)

During 6th Grade PE April/May 2024

Sixth graders are gearing up to take aim! Over the next few weeks, students in 6th grade will be trained in archery skills through NASP (National Archery in the Schools Program).

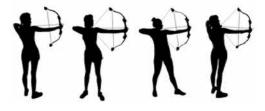
NASP is designed to teach Olympic-style target archery in physical education Classes. NASP is a cooperative effort between the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) and the Florida Department of Education.

In 2004, Florida became the 24th state to offer the NASP training that was developed in Kentucky by its department of Education and Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. NASP curriculums meet or exceed National and Sunshine State Standards for physical education classes. Core content covers the history of archery, safety, shooting techniques, equipment, mental concentration, and self -improvement.

> Caroline DeTetta - PE Teacher NASP Certified Basic Archery Instructor detetta.caroline@brevardschools.org



National Archery in the Schools Program



Third & Fourth Grade Bicycle Skills Clinic in PE April 1 - May 2, 2024

We're gearing up to learn about bicycle safety! Students in 3rd and 4th grade will have the opportunity to learn and practice bicycle handling skills as part of their PE class. To help us prepare for these lessons, please review the information below.

EQUIPMENT

If your child has a bicycle and **already** bikes to school, they will be encouraged to practice on their own bicycle instead of the loaner bikes that will be provided by the **Space Coast TPO**. Now is a great time to ensure that their bike is in good working order! Take some time to make sure their tires are pumped up, their brakes operate well, and their pedals and chain are moving smoothly. **Helmets are mandatory! If your child has a helmet, please send it in with them. If they do not, helmets will be provided. I can keep student's helmets in the PE room.**

CLOTHING

Please ensure your child is wearing the proper bicycling attire on PE days. Remind them that looselegged pants can get caught in the bicycle chain (it has happened!), creating a safety hazard and ruining their pants with chain grease.

HAIRSTYLES

To ensure the best helmet fit, aim to keep hair in styles that force hair tight against the scalp and toward the nape of the neck. If choosing a hairstyle, avoid high ponytails, buns, or any style that will bundle hair at the top of the head.

BICYCLE SKILLS DATES

COLADO: 4/5, 4/9, 4/12, 4/18, 4/19, 5/1 **NARDELLI:** 4/2, 4/4, 4/11, 4/16, 4/24, 4/29 **PRUNEAU:** 4/3, 4/4, 4/15, 4/16, 4/25, 4/29

ROBERTSON: 4/8, 4/10, 4/17, 4/23, 4/30, 5/2 **SCHOON:** 4/2, 4/3, 4/11, 4/15, 4/24, 4/25 **TARVER:** 4/4, 4/9, 4/16, 4/18, 4/29, 5/1



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April 2024

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

The OLSAT (Otis-Lennon School Ability Test) will soon be administered to all first-grade students on April 11th, 2024, by their classroom teacher.

All first-grade students <u>except</u> for those already identified for the Gifted program will be given the opportunity to participate in the OLSAT screening. This screening is administered to identify potential gifted and talented students. The OLSAT is a data collecting tool that will be used to initiate the process of further testing.

The OLSAT screening consists of 3 subtests: Verbal Comprehension/ Reasoning, Pictorial Reasoning, and Figural Reasoning. This screener measures students' learning and reasoning abilities. These abilities are developed through in-school and out- of school experiences.

If your student meets the requirements to move forward for a formal evaluation for the Gifted Student Program, you will be contacted. Should you have any further questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Lucas at <u>lucas.kathleen@brevardschools.org</u>

Thank you,

Kathleen Lucas Freedom 7 Elementary Guidance Counselor 321-868-6610 Ext. 44623

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) is a progress monitoring system that is administered three times per year to track your student's progress in learning the Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) Standards throughout this school year. The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will take the Kindergarten/Grade 1/Grade 2 Renaissance Star Early Literacy, Star Reading, and/or Star Math assessment(s) at <u>9:00 AM on:</u>

- Tuesday April 16th, 2024: Reading
- Wednesday April 17th, 2024: Math

The results from PM3 will show how well your student has mastered the grade level content standards, and you will be provided with information about how to access the results after testing is completed.

Your student's FAST assessments are computer-adaptive tests taken on a computer or tablet. The questions get less or more difficult depending on how a student responds, and each student will see different questions. If you or your student would like to review Star Early Literacy, Star Reading, and/or Star Math sample items at home, sample test items are available at https://flfast.org/resources/renaissance-star/renaissance-star.

The Star Early Literacy assessment typically takes less than 15 minutes to complete. The Star Reading assessment is usually completed in less than 20 minutes, and the Star Math assessment typically takes less than 30 minutes to complete.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Lisa Megown at 321-868-6610.

For more information about the Florida Statewide Assessments program, please visit the portal at <u>FLFAST.org</u>.

Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him or her to do his or her best during this test administration.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Lott

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