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**April 1, 2021 Newsletter** 

# Bear Paw Times



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Mission Statement: Our number one priority is student achievement with high expectations being the responsibility of our entire school community.



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\*IEP/504 subject to different dates \*all dates are subject to change



NCMS 8th graders will be attending the "Day" time Gradventure trip on Tuesday, May 25th. The new event will still allow students access to both parks (Universal Studios & Islands of Adventure), a meal voucher, and complimentary souvenir cup (with free refills). Slips were released on March 25th. There were only 250 slots for this trip.

Students will be organized by groups and chaperones and board buses at 9:30 am. Students will be grouped (6) to a group - they may select their group of friends to walk around with along with an assigned chaperone. No bookbags will be allowed to school that day. Only drawstring bags are allowed. Please bring limited necessities.

Since it is a school day, we will need extra chaperones to help accommodate all the students. If you want to attend the field trip as a chaperone, you must be OASIS Approved prior to signing up as a chaperone. Chaperones will need to purchase their ticket through the school \$85 or use their season-pass if they have one. If you would like to chaperone, you need to email Mrs. Dennison. (Shannon.Dennison@osceolaschools.net) Please make sure that you have already updated or applied for your OASIS application. https://www.osceolaschools.net/domain/94

Students are expected to wear the field trip shirt and school approved attire for shorts and shoes. Shirts will be handed out the day before the trip. Parent Chaperones are welcome to buy the field trip shirt for \$7.00.

Buses will drop off students in the bus rider loop and parents will drive through the car rider loop for pick up. This will be around 7:30 pm, please be on time to pick up your child.

Students that are eligible and have paid for the trip must maintain academic excellence, appropriate attendance and conduct. Testing will happen prior to the trip. Therefore, students should be in attendance and take their test on time to avoid having to do make-ups that could conflict with the trip.

Questions should be directed to Mrs. Dennison Shannon.Dennison@osceolaschools.net

#### 2020/2021 Testing Schedule

Assessment	Window
FSA Writing (8)	4/5
FSA Writing (6/7)	4/6
Writing Make-Ups	4/7-4/9
NWEA	4/12-4/30
FSA Reading Session (6/7)	5/3-5/4
FSA Math (6), FSA Reading (8)	5/5-5/6
CIVICS EOC (7/8)	5/7
BIO EOC, PHYS SCI HON (7), Statewide SCI (8)	5/10
FSA Math (7), ALG (7) EOC	5/11-5/12
FSA Math (8), ALG EOC (8), GEO EOC (8)	5/13-5/14
FSA/EOC Make-Ups	5/17-5/28

Get Important Notifications: REMIND text @SDOCNCMS to 81010 to join

Official NCMS Social Media Sites to get the Latest News & Info:



Narcoossee Middle -School@NCMSbears









Yearbooks are still for pre-sale on myschoolbucks.com for \$15. They will be delivered sometime in May.

Please stay home and notify school: If you have a temperature of 100.4 or higher. If you are experiencing any symptoms, such as a cough, shortness of breath, or loss of taste or smell. If you've been in contact with COVID-19

Please Do Your Part to Keep Everyone Safe!

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### **Mark Your Calendar!**

- 4/1 SAC Virtual WEBEX Meeting at 5 PM
- 4/2 Robotics Club 4:30-5:30 PM
  - Girls and Boys Flag Football Game at Neptune Middle at 6 PM and 7 PM
- 4/7 Flag Football Quarterfinal 6 PM at TBD
- 4/8 Flag Football Quarterfinal 6 PM at TBD
- 4/9 Robotics Club 4:30-5:30 PM
- 4/10 Spring Intervention in Media Center 8:00 AM-12:00 PM (Saturday)
- 4/12 Flag Football Semi Final 6 PM at TBD
- 4/13 Flag Football Semi Final 6 PM at TBD
- 4/15 Jeremiah's Italian Ice Spirit (all day-20% proceeds)



- 4/15 Girl and Boys Flag Football Championships at Celebration HS at 6 PM & 7:15 PM
- 4/16 Robotics Club 4:30-5:30 PM
- 4/17 Spring Intervention in Media Center 8:00 AM-12:00 PM (Saturday)
- 4/23 Robotics Club 4:30-5:30 PM
- 4/24 Spring Intervention in Media Center 8:00 AM-12:00 PM (Saturday)
  - Robotics Club 4:30-5:30 PM
- 4/30 NCMS Presents:
  Matilda The Musical at 7 PM
- 5/1 NCMS Presents: Matilda The Musical at 2 PM & 7 PM



#### **Matilda Production Rehearsals**

April 1st, 2nd, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th 4:30-6:30 PM in Cafeteria

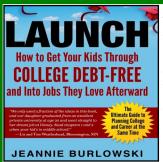
#### **Show Dates**

April 30th @ 7 PM

May 1st @ 2 PM & 7 PM

Tickets go on sale 4/12 @ 10 AM

Music & Lyrics by Dennis Kelly Directed by Nicholas Wainwright



**AVID News:** As an AVID National Demonstration school, I believe that it is never too early for our students to think about college and careers. *Launch* is a book that offers advice on how to start goal setting for scholarships and financial freedom from college debt, along with career planning. This book offers advice for families with current 8th grade students.

Bartlett recommended reading: Launch by Jeannie Burlowski



April 2 is World Autism Awareness
Day. There is no better way to celebrate
this day than by becoming aware of the
characteristics of people with this condition and how all of us can do better to
increase our own understanding and
promote kindness.

Students can wear blue on Friday 4/2 to show their awareness and support!

#### Fun April Facts!

April 2, 1513 - Spanish explorer Ponce De Leon sighted Florida and claimed it for the Spanish Crown after landing at the site of present day St. Augustine, now the oldest city in the continental ILS

**April 30, 1789** - George Washington became the first Unite States President as he was administered the oath of office on the balcony of Federal Hall at the corner of Wall and Broad Streets in New York City.



A big THANK YOU to our Counseling Department for their love & dedication to our students, and to all who contributed to our NCMS 'Kindness Rocks' garden!

Remember to always be kind

#### PBIS/Expectations

#### **PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports)**

Our mission at NCMS is to build environments in which positive behavior is more effective and more appealing to students than problem behavior. Students are recognized and praised for positive behaviors (i.e. Bear Bucks, Golden Tickets, and Positive referrals).

 ${\bf B}$ e responsible

Encourage others

Act safely

Respect all

Strive for success



Students can spend their Bear Bucks at our PBIS events, dress down days, and at our Bear's Den.

We have a "Surprise PBIS Contest" Coming Soon!

Does your child need social, emotional, or mental health stabilization? Devereux's Mobile Crisis Services, provides free crisis services with trained counselors. Services are available 24 hours a day, every day including weekends and holidays. Dial 2-1-1 or 407-839-HELP (4357)

Our Counseling Corner Newsletter: <a href="https://www.smore.com/781hf">https://www.smore.com/781hf</a> Our Remind code for guidance is: @nmguidance

Edición en español de este boletín disponible en el sitio web de la escuela: <a href="https://ncms.osceolaschools.net">https://ncms.osceolaschools.net</a>

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