



**GENERAL STANFORD RECOGNIZES MILITARY SPOUSE’S WEEK**

MILITARY SPOUSES ARE KNOWN FOR JUGGLING EVERYTHING FROM HOME REPAIRS AND CAR MAINTENANCE TO FAMILY PICTURES, ALL WHILE TRYING TO MAINTAIN A HEALTHY RELATIONSHIP WITH THEIR SERVICE MEMBER, WHO MAY BE DEPLOYED HALFWAY AROUND THE WORLD. MILITARY SPOUSE APPRECIATION MONTH, IN MAY, PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY TO REFLECT ON — AND REMIND US TO SHOW GRATITUDE FOR — ALL THAT THEY DO.

**MAY/ JUNE**

**Calendar of Events:**

- May 1-5 School Nutrition Employee Week
- May 1-7 Nat’l Children’s Book Week
- May 1-7 Nat’l Physical Education & Sports Week**
- Nat 6 SAT Tests**
- May 7-14 Nat’l Music Week**
- May 8-12 Nat’l Teacher Appreciation Week**
- May 10 Nat’l School Nurse Day**
- May 16 School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.**
- May 21-27 Nat’l Educational Bosses’ Week**
- May 29 Memorial Day (Schools & Offices Closed)**
- June 13, 14, 15 Early Day Dismissal**
- June 15 Last student day**
- June 16 Last Teacher Day**

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**A reminder of What’s Appropriate**

Spring is here and the weather is warming. With these changes, we are beginning to see shorts and other warm weather clothing. Please help us remind your children that clothing must adhere to the dress code. Shorts AND/OR skirts should be long enough to reach past the fingertips when arms are straight by students sides. Spaghetti strap, one shoulder, and cutaway/ keyhole tops are not appropriate for classroom environments. Even tank tops can be a distraction in the classroom. Flip flops, swim footwear, and other beach sandals without straps on the back can cause accidents and injuries. Please use care in choosing clothing for school so that learning time is not lost sending students to the clinic to call home for a change of clothes.

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We are now entering the months of the year that temperatures will begin to soar. It is very important that your child dress appropriate for these conditions. **Cool clothing that also meets the dress code. Shoes must be safe for outdoor play.**

During off-hours from school it is very important to apply sunscreen and bug repellent when children play outside.

If your child has seasonal allergies please treat them accordingly and if they has asthma that is triggered by the season change please make sure they have their rescue inhaler at school. Please remember any medication needs to be brought to school by an adult with a doctor’s order for use at school. This includes over the counter medication such as Tylenol, lotions, creams, ointments.

**\*\*To all fifth grade parents: Tdap is required for sixth grade, your child must have it before school starts and they will not get a sixth grade schedule or be able to start school until documentation of this shot has been received. If your child has not already turned in documentation for this shot please send a copy to the school nurse. If you do not know if we have a copy please call our nurse at 888-3200 ext. 3**

Nurse Greenway RN

**A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Excerpt from an article:

**UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD**

1. **Understand what kind of learner your child is.** Does he/she need silence to concentrate? Then make sure the TV is not on when studying.
2. **Stay engaged with your child and teachers.** Be proactive. Don’t wait until the report card. Make sure you know what is expected of your child and that he is meeting the expectations. If you wait for the report card, it may be too late.
3. **Create a college-going/ success for the future culture at home.** Emphasize that you expect that your child will have a super future. Set goals on what it takes to get there.
4. **Model good reading habits.** If your child sees you reading, then he will be more likely to become a reader, too.

**Suzanne Owen, English teacher, literacy coach and mother of four in Antioch, CA suggests these tips:**

1. **Subscribe to a newspaper or newsletter and encourage your children to read it.** This is important for students, especially now with so much information only available in sound bites and on the web. Newspapers provide more detail and background, and help make connections between what appear to be disparate bits of info. Also, reading the paper enhances comprehension in several expository genres.
2. **Visit places where books and learning are important– libraries, used and new bookstores.** (Visit them on vacations, too.)
3. **Talk to your kids about what they are learning** not about grades, but actual content.
4. **Encourage reading everywhere–** in the car, at the doctor’s office. Bring along books for yourself and them.
5. **Get them reading the classics.** Get them classics and read with them, especially older books with more complex structure. Try *A Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens, *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Bronte, or *Robinson Crusoe* by Daniel Defoe.

Diane C Willis

**A MESSAGE FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

Dear Parents,

Our third through fifth grade students will be taking their SOL tests in May. Testing will begin each day promptly at 8:30 so it is very important that your child arrive to school on time. Students who arrive at school after the testing start time will have to take a make-up test another day. Please refer to the **Testing Schedule** on the last page of this Newsletter and be sure to schedule all appointments on non-testing days as once a student begins a test they are not allowed to return to complete the test at a later time.

Please refer to the **Testing Schedule** on the last page of this Newsletter.

Our staff has been working diligently to prepare all students for the testing. We are looking forward to seeing the great results once testing is over. If you have any questions about the SOL Tests please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Sherry Wolfson  
Assistant Principal



One of the most important things your child can do to achieve academic success is also one of the most basic: going to school every day. Attendance is a very important part of education.

Spring is here and testing time will begin soon.

Please remember to schedule all appointments as late in the day as possible. Also, please remember to send notes for all of the days missed.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Mrs. Barnes, Administrative Secretary



Hello!

The month of May brings flowers, but it also brings testing for our schools. As students prepare for those tests, keep in mind that it is still a good time to read for fun! Reading for fun every day has been shown to get students the highest score (ALA, 2017). It has also been found that, “[s]tudents who talked about their reading with family and friends on a weekly basis had a higher average score than students who talked about their books once a month or less” (ALA, 2017). Stay tuned with what your students are reading by checking in with them every so often. Simply asking them what they are reading can go a long way.

As the school year is winding down, now is also a good time to make sure you are returning all of your library books on time. It helps to have a designated spot for library books at home or in your classroom so they are easier to keep track of when it is time for them to come back to the library. “Check out” will still be available for students throughout the rest of the year. Don’t forget to check in with your librarian if you are looking for something to read!

Happy Reading!

Ms. Costello

American Librarian Association. 2017. *Reading for fun improves students test scores*. Retrieved April 24, 2017 from <http://www.ala.org/research/librariesmatter/node/467>



Hello Eagle family! Can you believe it is May already? It seems like our school year has passed us by! As the year is coming to an end, we are faced with mixed emotions. I hope everyone has enjoyed this year as I have. Our

Character Trait for the month of May is Self-Discipline. Timing is great, because we will have utilized these talents throughout the month. One main reason is due to SOL testing. Please make sure you get a good night’s rest and eat well. By creating these healthy habits we can instill proper test taking strategies to assist our children in the best possible outcome. Good luck! I know everyone will do their best!

Parents of our awesome Fifth graders, get ready for transition time. We will be meeting soon to discuss plans for students, as they move on to bigger and better things.

SeDale Watson

Guidance Counselor



## A+ Bus Riders know how to:

### Be Safe

- \*Stay seated
- \*Face forward
- \*Keep body parts and all object inside the bus
- \*Keep hands and objects to yourself
- \*Keep all items in a closed book-bag

### Be Respectful

- \*Use a quiet voice
- \*Obey bus driver
- \*Use kind words and actions

### Be Responsible

- \*Remember your belongings and trash

### Be a Problem Solver

- \*Talk problems out
- \*Try to compromise
- \*Get help from adults when necessary
- \*Make good choices

It has been observed that the arts can:

Foster the development of students who are actively engaged in learning.

Contribute to the development of a creative, committed and exciting school culture of students, teachers and parents.

Play a role in generating a dynamic, coordinated and cohesive curriculum.

Build bridges to the larger community, the broader culture and other institutions.

Humanize learning, the learning environment and contribute to improved academic performance.

Your children have participated in a variety of activities that integrated the core areas of Language Arts, History and Social Sciences with the Visual Arts. By teaching art across the curriculum, I am assisting your children in meeting the Standard of Learning Objectives and making Learning fun at the same time!



Valencia Gross

Testing Schedule for May/June

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
<u>MAY 8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u> Special Groups	<u>12</u> Special Groups
<u>15</u> Special Groups	<u>16</u> Grade 5 Reading CAT Make-up Tests & Special Groups	<u>17</u> Grade 3 Reading CAT- Part 1 Make-up Tests & Special Groups	<u>18</u> Grade 3 Reading CAT- Part 2 Make-up Tests & Special Groups	<u>19</u> Grade 4 Reading CAT Make-up Tests & Special Groups
<u>22</u> Make-up Tests & Special Groups	<u>23</u> Grade 5 Math CAT Make-up Tests & Special Groups <i>Paper answer documents for all subjects due to Testing Office by appointment</i>	<u>24</u> Grade 3 Math CAT Make-up Tests & Special Groups	<u>25</u> Grade 4 Math CAT Make-up Tests & Special Groups	<u>26</u> Make-up Tests & Special Groups
<u>29</u> Memorial Day (No School)	<u>30</u> Make-up Tests & Special Groups	<u>31</u> Grade 5 Science Make-up Tests & Special Groups	<u>JUNE 1</u> Grade 4 VA Studies Make-up Tests & Special Groups	<u>2</u> Make-up Tests & Special Groups
<u>5</u> Make-up Tests & Special Groups Expedited Retest	<u>6</u> Expedited Retest 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading Part 1	<u>7</u> Expedited Retest 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade VA Studies 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading Part 2	<u>8</u> Expedited Retest 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Math	<u>9</u> Expedited Retest Make-ups



The Wellness Committee just wanted to say “Thank you” to everyone who came out to support our Family Fun and Fitness Night. It was a huge success. Together we can continue to promote healthy lifestyles for our students



Memorial Day 2017  
Monday, May 29