# CAMBRIDGE ELEMENTARY MAGNET SCHOOL of Acts and Science

News and Information from Cambridge Elementary Magnet School of Arts and Science in Cocoa, Florida MARCH 2015

MISSION: To inspire and empower lifelong learning. VISION: A model community of excellence and success.

### Annual Parent Survey 2014-2015

Parents are invited to participate in the annual BPS parent survey. The survey will be available in English, Spanish, and Haitian-Creole beginning **March 9<sup>th</sup> – March 22<sup>nd</sup>.** The purpose of this survey is to provide schools with information that will help identify areas of strengths and areas in need of additional attention. Ultimately, the survey provides information that will guide both Cambridge Elementary and district efforts to improve the level of service to students, parents, and the community through School Improvement Plans and the District Strategic Improvement Plan.

The survey is available in a paper version and online found at <a href="http://Parentsurvey.brevardschools.org">http://Parentsurvey.brevardschools.org</a> and can be taken on any electronic device that can access the internet. If you do not have access to an electronic device, you may take the survey on our campus. We will have computers in the front office for your use to take the survey. If you prefer a paper version of the survey, please ask our front office for a paper version in English, Spanish, or Haitian-Creole.

A summary of the parent survey results will be reported and posted on the BPS Family Engagement website at <a href="http://FamilyEngagement.brevardschools.org">http://FamilyEngagement.brevardschools.org</a> as well as our school website. Survey results and comments will guide school improvement efforts and be used to meet the diverse needs of Brevard students and families.

Do you have a student who will be entering Kindergarten for the 2015-2016 school year?

# Come meet Cambridge Kindergarten teachers!

Date: March 31st

Times: 3:00pm <u>OR</u> 5:30pm

Students will enjoy orientation activities and visit Kindergarten classrooms! Parents will learn more about registering their child for the 2015-2016 school year.

- ⇒ To enter Kindergarten, your child must be age 5 by September 1, 2015
- ⇒ Students must have the required immunizations for Kindergarten
- ⇒ Parents must provide two proofs of residence at registration

# BPS Press Release Published by the Department of Community Resistons

#### 2015-2016 Brevard Public Schools Prekindergarten Programs Now Taking Applications for <u>Head Start</u>

Brevard Public Schools is offering the Head Start program at selected schools with limited enrollment for the 2015-16 school year.

Head Start is a high quality early learning program that provides a foundation for school readiness for children who turn three or four years old on or before September 1, 2015. The Head Start program helps families build skills and connect with resources to prepare their children to be successful in school. The program offers much more than classroom learning, as it partners with parents and caregivers to ensure families have access to quality prekindergarten education, health and dental care, and family support School bus transportation is also available to children eligible for transportation in the school bussing area. For

an application and information call 321-617-7786ext220 or visit: www.tinyurl.com/headstart-Brevard





#### Brevard Virtual Instruction Programs

Brevard Public Schools offers eligible students the opportunity to enroll in a full-time virtual instruction program for the 2015-2016 school year. Full-time virtual instruction students attend school from home with the daily support, facilitation of learning and supervision from a parent/guardian.

Open-Enrollment Application Window: April 1 - June 30, 2015 Late Application Window: July 1 - 31, 2015

### **TITLE 1 Corner**

Parents: We have donated <u>coats</u> available in the office. You are welcomed to come see if we have any that would be useful to your family.



#### Plan Ahead for FSA Testing Dates: Monday, March 30th through Friday, May 8th

FSA ELA Reading and FSA Math Grades 3rd -6th and FCAT Science for 5th grade students

Students are encouraged to leave their electronic devices such as cell phones, cameras, calculators, etc. at home during testing dates for test security purposes. They may not have these devices in their possession during the test.

#### Help students prepare for FSA!

Have you heard? Florida has a new test. It's the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). Want to learn more? The FSA Portal has a wealth of information available for students and parents!

GO TO: **www.fsassessments.org** and click on Students and Parents. Under the Student and Parent Resources button, you can find very specific information about each FSA test –English Language Arts (ELA), the Writing component of the ELA, Math, and End-of Course exams. Item specifications and test design summaries define the content and format of the test for each grade level and subject.

## **Character Corner**

#### Our Focus Trait for the Month of March is Trustworthiness / Honesty

Trustworthiness/honesty is being honest and reliable in carrying out commitments, duties and obligations
Those who demonstrate trustworthiness/honesty: (PAUSE)

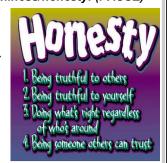
BE HONEST. . .

Don't lie, cheat, or steal

► BE RELIABLE. . .

Keep your promises and follow through on your commitments

- ► HAVE THE COURAGE... To do what is right, even when it seems difficult
- BE A GOOD FRIEND. . . And don't betray a trust



#### Cambridge Calendar

March 12th SAC Meeting 5:00pm

March 13th NO SCHOOL

March 16th Spring Concert 6:00pm

March 17th Success Celebration K-1

8:30am Cafeteria

March 18th Success Celebration 2nd-3rd

March 18th REPORT CARDS

March 19th Success Celebration 4th-6th

8:30am Cafeteria

March 20th FIELD DAY!

March 23-27th Spring Break for ALL:

Remember to read!

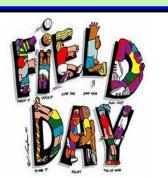
March 30-May 8th FSA: ELA (Reading) / Math

Assessments 3-6th and FCAT Science 5th grade

April 1st Domino's Fundraiser Night

April 3rd HOLIDAY FOR ALL Meeting

April 9th SAC Meeting 5:00pm



#### FRIDAY, MARCH 20th

Please make sure your student brings the following items to school on field day:

Sunscreen (put on before school), water, uniform shirt and shorts, sneakers, and hat.

Get READY for some FUN!