



March 11, 2011

PAW PRINTS

Important Dates



Mar. 15th	Spring & Class Pictures
Mar. 23rd	Early Dismissal @ 2:00 End of 3rd Quarter
Mar. 24th	Student of the Month @ 2:00
Mar. 25th	No School - Planning Day
Mar. 28th – Apr. 1st	No School - Spring Break
Apr. 4th	<u>Monday - School Resumes</u>

Coach's Corner

It's almost time...the MILE RUN (8 LAPS)
March 11 - March 24



Recognition BOARD
Please congratulate the following student for running 7 laps in under 7 minutes
Steven Sexton - 5th grade 6:57



A Note from Ms. Wells



SUCCESS...ALL STUDENTS...ALL STANDARDS

Duval County is anticipating a \$100,000,000 shortfall next school year which will impact all schools and all students. Superintendent Pratt-Dannals will be holding three informational meetings about the specifics of what will possibly be cut. The one closest to us is at Atlantic Coast High School April 4th. It is important that we are all informed about these cuts and let our collective voice be heard. Check duval-schools.org for more information about our projected budget.



SPRING PICTURE INFORMATION:

Order forms for Spring Pictures were sent home. Please return payments by Tuesday, 3/15. **ALL spring pictures are PRE-PAID only.**



Ms. Shilby's class is in need of quality, yellow #2 pencils. Thank You!



Ms. Hoffman's class could use hand soap, paper towels, tissues, and sanitizing wipes. Thank you!



Spring forward March 13, 2011. Daylight Savings Time. Clocks should be set ahead one hour — spring forward — Saturday night.

RtI? (Response to Intervention)



What do I do if I believe my child is struggling?

- Talk to the teacher.
- Work with your child on homework.
- Celebrate your child's successes.
- Participate in conferences and meetings about your child. Make a list of specific questions to ask during the conferences.



Be a Stellar Student!!!



Elementary school is a child's formative years and may determine future academic success. To ensure that your child is ready to learn each and every day there are a few tips you can follow. One is attendance. If the student is not here consistently, optimal learning cannot occur. Right now we are 16 days away from FCAT, so it is imperative that students are in school every day. Another is being on time for school and not getting checked out early a lot. This creates fragments in students' understanding and they may get behind. The third tip is to get a good night's rest. Cranky, sleepy people are not receptive to learning. Send your child to school well-rested, sharp, and ready to shine! These three simple tips will help your child enjoy successful school days and be a very happy learner at The Park!

PTA is "Wild About Learning" !!! Join PTA

~Abess Park Elementary PTA~
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<http://www.ClassConnection.org/AbessparkPTA>

A.P.E. approved volunteers are needed to support PTA
Please contact Sondra Crygier if you would like to volunteer with PTA



How will you help the Abess Park PTA this year?

PTA News

Thank you to all who were able to participate in the PTA Family BINGO Night. It was an evening filled with fun and laughter!

*A BIG THANK YOU
to the following:*

Ms. Castaneda and Ms. Beckham for being our fabulous BINGO callers,

Our business partner - Academy Sports for donating 100 bottles of water for our refreshments,

Our business partner - Kilwin's Ice Cream for providing sweet treats for all to enjoy,

Our business partner - Applebee's for donating 3 - \$10 gift certificates for the PTA Member drawings

Patrol News



Patrols are selling a variety of chocolate pretzel rods for \$1.00 in the front foyer before and after school. You may choose from white drizzle, peanut butter drizzle, mini morsels, and toffee crunch!



Abess Park Elementary Summer Camp Registration started: Feb 7th



The registration fee is \$100.00 (non-refundable) Camp Total Cost: \$850.00
Camp starts: June 14th - August 5th, Time: 7:00a.m. until 6:00p.m.
Ages: 4 entering K in the fall up to 6th grade

Attention Parents: Here's the deal!!!!

If you register on or before the 28th of February, you will receive a \$50.00 discount on your final payment for camp.

If you are a returning camper you will also receive your returning camper discount and an additional \$10.00 off your final payment.

Abess Park Camp payment schedule

February 7th - \$100.00 deposit due

February 25th - \$125.00

February 28th deadline to receive discount
for early registration!

March 11th - \$125.00

March 25th - \$125.00

April 8th - \$125.00

April 29th - \$125.00

May 13th - \$125.00 (if applicable, discount will be taken off this payment)

Camp fees include: field trips, swimming, arts & Crafts, cook-outs, t-shirt, camp Carnival and Extended day... (WOW)!!! Reading/math ramp-up...

Don't miss out on the fun.....

Payments may be made by cash, check, or money order. Make check or money order payable to ABESS PARK ELEMENTARY.

Name, Address, and Phone number must be listed on the check.

No check over \$300.00 can be accepted.

You can register at the Extended Day counter (in our front foyer)

Monday-Friday between the hours of

7:45a.m. - 8:15a.m. and 4p.m. - 6p.m.

If you have any questions,
please feel free to contact



Ms. J. Conaway at (904) 220-1260 or conawayj@duvalschools.org



The PTA would like to thank everyone who brought in Box Tops for the spring contest!

Congratulations to the winning classes:

Ms. Harris' class with 152 box tops

Ms. Beckham's class with 157 box tops

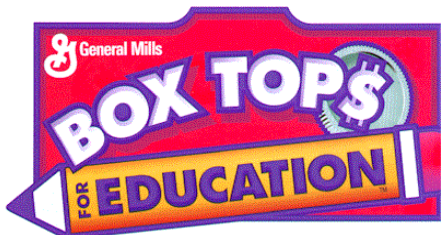
Ms. Arbon's class with 302 box tops

Ms. Mason's class with 217 box tops

Ms. Rossborough's class with 313 box tops

Ms. Fowler's class with 364 box tops

and Mr. Vasileff's class with 173 box tops!



PTA hopes you all enjoyed your pizza party! Please continue to clip your Box Tops because the next contest will start when you return from spring break!