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# The FAIRHOPE WEST ELEMENTARY PIRATE

DECEMBER NEWS ♦ 2022 ♦ "Learning and Leading to Empower Our Genius"



GIVE THE GIFT OF  
**PIRATE DASH**

REGISTER TODAY!



SAVE THE DATE: February 4, 2023

2023  
FAIRHOPE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS  
**PIRATE DASH**  
5K AND 1 MILE FUN RUN/WALK

Register at : <https://runsignup.com/Race/AL/Fairhope/FairhopePirateDash5k>

## IMPORTANT DATES

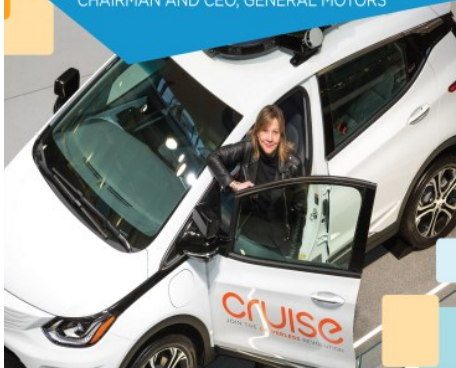
Dec. 1-9	Toys for Tots
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Dec. 2	Bike to School "Holiday Ride"
Dec. 5-9	Hour of Code & Computer Science Week
Dec. 13	Band Concert
Dec. 13	Walking School Bus Santa Stroll-All are welcome to walk with Santa!
Dec. 16	Christmas Parties
Dec. 19-Jan. 3	Christmas Break
Jan. 4	Students Return to School

## COMPUTER SCIENCE Week!

December 6th-12th is Computer Science Week!

"A car today can have tens of millions of lines of code. As engineers, scientists and inventors, we get to **imagine what's next, and then make it happen.**"

MARY BARRA  
CHAIRMAN AND CEO, GENERAL MOTORS



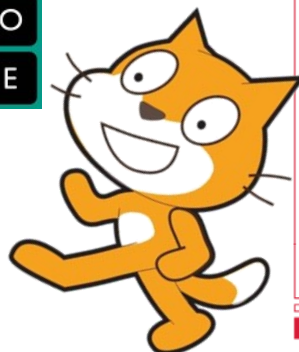
What will you create?

Start with an Hour of Code <http://code.org>

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This is a whole week dedicated to the education, advocacy, and advancement of computer science (and computational thinking!!) in schools. We are excited to celebrate this and will post our school involvement on social media. Please celebrate at home with your child by allowing them to show you how to use Scratch Jr. or Code.org.

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The Marine Corps League #1378 is sponsoring the Toys for Tots Drive again this year! The drive will begin on November 2nd and end on December 9th. Last year over a thousand local children received a bit of Christmas from the contributions!

**WOW!!**

Together small contributions can make a BIG difference!



# BE COOL BIKE TO SCHOOL

Friday, December 2, is Bike to School's Holiday Ride! Let's get festive - decorate your bike with holiday spirit!

We are so grateful that Fairhope Chocolate is providing treat vouchers for our cyclists! All participants will also receive a spoke bead.

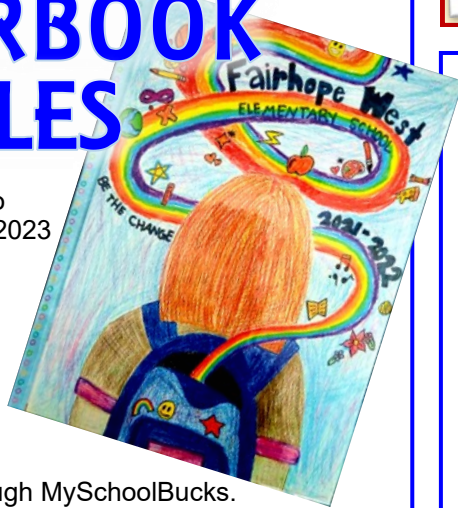
As always, remember to wear your helmet, enter by the HOV line, and walk your bike once on campus. For more information, visit [Facebook.com/BikeToSchoolFairhope](https://www.facebook.com/BikeToSchoolFairhope).

## 2022-2023 YEARBOOK SALES

FES is excited to share the 2022-2023 school year by providing a hardback yearbook!

Reserve your copy today by going online and paying \$35 through MySchoolBucks. Deadline for payment is Monday, February 27, 2023. Your child will receive his/her copy at the end of the school year so it can be signed by friends and teachers.

It's Time to Order Your.....  
**YEARBOOK!**



## Save the Date! LEADERSHIP SHOWCASE

**Thursday, January 26, 2023  
5:30-6:30PM**

The event will be an hour PACKED with students showing parents how they are choosing to be leaders of their own learning! Students will showcase STEAM and 7 Habits learning. We are looking forward to a fun-filled evening! Please plan on joining us by bringing your child so they can show you their leadership skills. More details will be available in the January Pirate.



**Need a Fairhope West long sleeve t-shirt or a pirate embroidered fleece jacket for your child or teenager for Winter?**



Our Fairhope West Elementary Official Spirit Wear site offers great options. Thanks to our partnership with CostaPrints, spirit wear is available all year and not just the beginning of school!

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