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MARCH News ♦ 2021

"Learning and Leading to Empower Our Genius!"

Fairhope West
Elementary School
CELEBRATES:

"READ ACROSS america" WEEK!

MONDAY
March 1, 2021
Cat in the Hat
Wear Your Favorite Hat Today!

TUESDAY
March 2, 2021
Oh, The Places You'll Go!
Dress as Your Favorite Book Character Today.

WEDNESDAY
March 3, 2021
Wacky Wednesday
Wear Your Wackiest, Tackiest Clothes Today.

THURSDAY
March 4, 2021
Green Eggs and Ham
Wear Green Today!

FRIDAY
March 5, 2021
Fox in Socks
Wear Your Craziest Socks Today!

#fweSTOREad
We'd love for you to use this hashtag when posting an social media!

Important Dates

- Mar. 1 School Worker Appreciation Week
- Mar. 1 Cat in the Hat - Wear your favorite hat
- Mar. 2 Oh, the Places You'll Go - Dress as favorite book character
- Mar. 3 Wacky Wednesday - Wear wacky, tacky clothes
- Mar. 4 Green Eggs and Ham - Wear green
- Mar. 5 No school for students
- Mar. 9 Perfect Attendance and No Checkouts or Tardies - Out of Uniform
- Mar. 16 Boosterthon Begins
- Mar. 19 World Down Syndrome Day - Wear blue and yellow
- Mar. 19 Report Cards Go Home
- Mar. 24 Boosterthon Fun Run
- Mar. 25 FEEF Golf Tournament

STEAM Certified!!



As of February 24, FWE is considered STEAM CERTIFIED! We successfully met the rigorous criteria for 16 standards. This distinguished certification is the culmination of five years of intentional work towards understanding STEAM as educators, using STEAM in the lab, and finally embedding STEAM activities in the classroom with greater frequency.



A HUGE thanks goes out to many: The **STEAM Professional Learning Team** (STEAM teacher leaders); the **teachers** for their perseverance and willingness to use constructivist approach to instruction; **FEEF** for their investment in STEAM materials, equipment, and the Pelican's Nest; **Hilary McKinney, Aaron Warner, and Kacie Hardman** for their coaching leadership; **students** for embracing the problem-solving approach using collaborative process to work together; and **parents** for supporting our teachers as they continued their own educational practices.



STEAM Ambassadors, in no particular order: Annie Minchew, Narayni Patel, Lucy McIntosh, George Hardman, Jocelyn Henderson, Leeland Workman, Matias Berger, Makayla Gardner, Jamar Potter, Dylan Gilbert, Maddie Miller, Tyler Ard, Max Orfanello, Sophia Gilbert, Avery Matthews, Jayda Davis, Keller Moore, Ty Nichols, Olivia Wilson, Margaret Conyers, Percy Jane Hardman, and Oliver Norton,

The Leader in Me™ Leadership Celebrations

Learning and Leading to Empower Our Genius!

As part of Leader in Me, students celebrated their accomplishments at Leadership Celebrations last month. Lots of different accomplishments were recognized!

Silver Spoon Award

one class per grade level chosen by the cafeteria staff (cleanest area in the cafeteria during the past month)

Golden Sneaker Award

one class per grade level chosen by the PE teachers

All A's

All A's and B's

Growth on the STAR math or reading test for grades 2-6, the FWE Wildly Important Goal

PreK growth on knowing and practicing manners

Kindergarten growth on knowing numbers

Great Job, Fairhope West Students!!



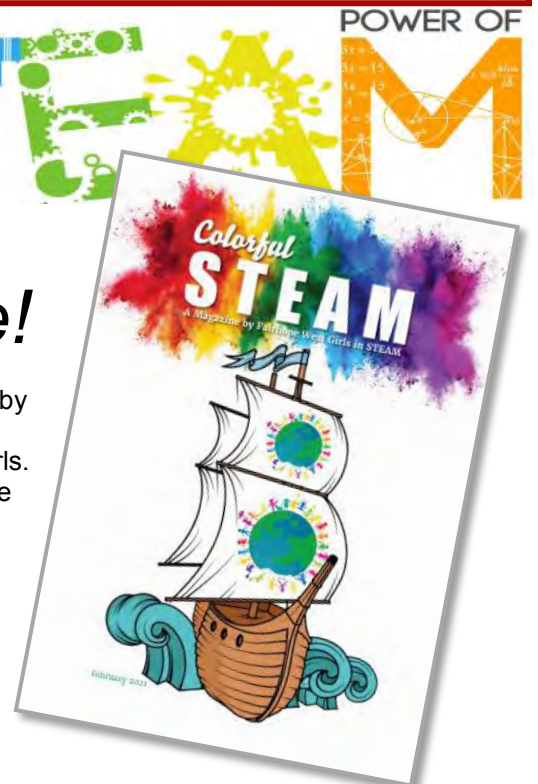
Girls in STEAM

Create First FEW Magazine!

Last month, girls in 3rd and 4th grade attended a Girls in STEAM presentation by Meredith Montgomery, publisher of *Natural Awakenings*. The vision for the cover, including the name, *Colorful STEAM*, was created by Mrs. Warner's girls. Meredith created the article titles and the opening paragraphs. From there, the girls had total control including editing. Meredith explained, "The girls got to experience a glimpse into the publishing world, from working on a very short deadline under pressure, to the technological logistics of the process. This is how publishing takes place these days--we all work remotely and rely heavily on shared documents!"

Here's a link to the digital magazine!

<https://indd.adobe.com/view/6ae0bbaf-20e4-4b8b-b8e0-b30d97ffb5c7>



It's Time to Tee Off for Education and Support Our Schools!

The four-person scramble, presented by title sponsor Terry Thompson Chevrolet, will offer morning and afternoon start times, lunch provided by Imperial Dade, drinks, on-course competitions, winning prizes and more.

All proceeds from the tournament are distributed by the Fairhope Educational Enrichment Foundation (FEEF) directly back into Fairhope's five public schools. These funds provide programs and equipment to our students and teachers that are not made possible through traditional funding the schools receive. This includes science labs, STEAM labs, piano, choir, guitar, theatre, art, engineering, robotics, teacher classroom grants and more.

How Can You Help?

- 1. Sponsor a Team** - Register Online at <https://feefonline.org/golfsponsor/>
Download the Registration Form at <https://feefonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/2021-Golf-.pdf>
- 2. Honor a Teacher or School Staff Member with a Tee Sign**
Download Form at <https://feefonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/2021-Honor-Tee-Sign-Form.pdf>

**For more information visit www.feefonline.org
or contact FEEF at (251) 990-3333, director@feefonline.org.**



Support Your School!

33rd Annual
Mayor's Golf Tournament
BENEFITING FEEF

Friday, March 26, 2021
Quail Creek Golf Course

REGISTER NOW
www.feefonline.org

Kindergarten Celebrates the 100th Day of School

Each year a strange phenomenon hits Fairhope West – kindergarteners and teachers age to 100 years old! Even amidst COVID and Hurricane Sally, the 100th Day of School arrived and the children aged again! Thank you, parents, for helping make this day very special.



SPORTS CITY

Boosterthon FUN RUN

NOW

*We're only 2 weeks away from our Fairhope Fun Run Kick-Off!
Our goal is to raise \$20,000 for Playground Shades.*

Here is a quick [video overview of our fundraising program](#).

Also, here are a few things to know about this important fundraiser:

- All families can support our school by either donating, sharing on funrun.com, or both. Students can receive rewards when parents share from funrun.com.
- All students get to participate in the event day, regardless of financial participation.
- This fundraiser comes with an incredible character development program for students where they'll be learning about the importance of teamwork, care, courage, grit and celebration.

Also, did you know that our fundraiser has corporate matching? [Click here](#) to search your employer's name to see if they'll match your donation. Then, when you give on [funrun.com](#), you can select your employer and it could **DOUBLE YOUR DONATION to our school!** We are working hard to make this fundraiser safe, fun, and successful for everyone!

Key dates to remember:

DONATING OPENS **March 1, 2021**
*Register on [FUNRUN.COM](#),
SHARE & GIVE!*

EVENT DAY **March 24, 2021**
*It is yet to be determined if parents
will be allowed to attend. Please stay
tuned for a decision!*

Thank you for working with us to make our school stronger.
We are grateful for your support!

Click below for a two-minute trailer about the theme for the kids! It's fabulous!

[https://urldefense.com/v3/_https://vimeo.com/363339500/be3bd43ec1_!!JI3QPvgfY_QQRak!Z1e3U4bBaBLGF3G_e6hpb9F02UN-R6ae5U0p40BFW5W-QtJqAFXpFz-fJucolFA\\$](https://urldefense.com/v3/_https://vimeo.com/363339500/be3bd43ec1_!!JI3QPvgfY_QQRak!Z1e3U4bBaBLGF3G_e6hpb9F02UN-R6ae5U0p40BFW5W-QtJqAFXpFz-fJucolFA$)

Leader in Me®

MEASURABLE RESULTS SURVEY

Fairhope West is asking all parents/guardians and students in Grades 3 and up to participate in a survey called the MRA survey – Measurable Results Survey. It focuses on teaching 21st-century leadership and life skills to students to create a culture of student empowerment based on the idea that every child can be a leader. The data from these surveys will also help us track the impacts of the practices that positively affect school climate, culture, and student learning. Please click on the link below:
<https://www.leaderinme.com/s/fairhope-west-elem/parent>