



Dates to Remember in April

April 1-May 31—Pre-Kindergarten Registration
April 3-9—National Library Week
April 4-8—Assistant Principal's Week
April 4—Class Pictures Day
April 5—National Library Workers' Day
April 5 & 6—Lowcountry Children's Museum
April 6—Food Bank Fresh Express (NEHS Service Project)
 9:00-11:00 A.M. in front bus loop
April 7—Sound Off Fire Program (2nd Grade)
April 8—1/2 Day (Dismissal at 11:30 A.M.)
April 11-15—Spring Break (NO SCHOOL)
April 19—DD4 Board Meeting @ 6:00 P.M. (CHES)
April 20—District TDA Field Test (3rd-5th Grades)
April 20—PTA Meeting @ 6:00 P.M. in the Gym
April 25-29—WMES Unified Champions Week
April 27—Secretary's Day
April 28—SIC/Title 1 Planning Meeting @ 4:30 P.M. in the Media Center
April 29—Character Kids Celebration @ 8:15 A.M.
April 29—Autism Walk and Kindness Walk
April 29—Little Miss and Mr. WMES Pageant @ 6:00 P.M. in the Gym



Please be reminded that if your child has come in close contact with COVID, you need to contact the school's nurse.

Also, please keep sick children home from school. They must be fever free for 24 hours and have no vomiting/diarrhea for 24 hours before returning to school.

Please make sure all emergency contact information is up to date.



ATTENTION TIGER FAMILY...

Order your 2021-2022 yearbook using the following link:
<https://www.balfour.com/south-carolina/saint-george/williams-memorial-elementary-school>
 Yearbooks are on sale now for \$30. Payments can be sent in the form of cash or a money order payable to **WMES**. You can also purchase a Yearbook on the site above. Thank you to those who have already supported this year's Yearbook!

If you have any questions or concerns please email Mrs. Britt at wmesyearbook29477@gmail.com
 Thank you for your continued support!



From Our Literacy Coach...

Spring has sprung and testing preparations have begun! You can help promote student success in end of the year growth testing and or state testing in any subject area using strategies! We all know the saying "practice makes perfect", but I politely disagree. Practice makes progress! So practice, practice, practice with a RAP and then RELAX strategy:

R - Read and Restate the question in a complete sentence.
 A - Answer the question and explain.
 P - Prove by providing facts from the text which support your answer.

R - Read the question carefully!
 E - Examine every answer choice.
 L - Label your answer (Math) or Look for proof in the passage (Reading)
 A - Always check your work.
 X - X-out answers that you know are wrong.

Our Vision Statement

The vision of Williams Memorial Elementary School is to create a community of academic excellence for our students by establishing high expectations and academic rigor, providing effective and innovative educational practices in a safe and supportive environment, and helping our students develop world-class skills and to graduate with a 21st Century education and to be globally competitive in their chosen career path.

The Paw Print

WMES is "PAWS"-itively the Best!

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Dear WMES Family-

It is hard to believe that the 3rd Quarter has ended, and June 3rd will be here before we know it.

We are transitioning into the testing part of the year. Our Kindergarten through 5th graders are currently taking their Spring District Assessments. Our 3rd-5th graders will take the SC Ready ELA and mathematics assessment, and 4th graders will take the SC PASS science assessment starting the second week of May. The Guidance Department will send the State Assessment Schedule home later this month.

Pre-Kindergarten Registration for children who will be 4 years old on or before September 1, 2022, has started and will continue through Tuesday, May 31st. Packets can be picked up in the front office. Please call the front office before coming to turn in the completed registration packet. All required documentation must be submitted with the packet in order to complete the registration process.

The Yearbook Staff is hosting a Little Miss and Little Mister WMES Pageant Friday, April 29th, in the gymnasium. Please contact Mrs. Casey Britt if you have any questions or need an application.

We will celebration Unified Champion Week April 25th-29th and end the week with an Autism and Kindness Walk. More information will be sent home closer to that week about the special days, books that will be used, and the school-wide fundraiser that will be one of our Community Service Projects.

Ruth Mims



Little Miss and Little Mr. WMES Pageant

The third annual Williams Memorial Elementary Pageant will be held on Friday, April 29, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. in the gymnasium. The pageant is open **only** to students who attend WMES.

Applications may be picked up in the front office of WMES or from your child's homeroom teacher.

The WMES Pageant entry fee is \$20.00. There will also be a Photogenic Competition, and the entry fee is an additional \$10.00. A photograph must accompany the additional fee.

Please send payment (cash or money order) by **Thursday, April 7.**



Jessie Patrick won 1st Place in the 2-3 Category in the **Dorchester Soil and Water Conservation District** Poster Contest. Jessie won a \$50 Amazon Gift Card for Ms. Hollinshead's classroom!! Jessie's winning poster will be sent to the State contest in the Fall, and she (and Ms. Hollinshead) will participate in the Dorchester SWCD Annual Affiliate Banquet on May 5th, 2022. Way to go, Jessie!

Congratulations to Mr. Gantt and our school for raising \$2,072.68 for our school's Kids Heart Challenge (KHC)! The KHC Grant Program offers participating schools grants ranging from \$250 to \$2,500 for health and wellness initiatives including physical activity equipment.

Our Mission Statement

The children, parents, faculty, and staff of Williams Memorial Elementary School are unified in their purpose of accelerating the learning of all students through shared decision-making and powerful learning experiences.