

March 2nd, 2018

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# DOLPHIN TALES

## Important Dates:

### **March 9**

Parent/Teacher conferences - Half Day

11:00 Toddlers

11:15 Primary

11:30 Elementary

### **March 22**

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Science Fair

### **March 23, 2018**

Easter Egg Hunt

### **March 26 -30**

Spring Break

### **April 2, 2018 School**

Resumes

## March Birthdays:

Dhiren K. 3/6

Elsa Quay C. 3/12

Kaylie M. 3/12

Scarlett M. 3/15

Aurora C. 3/19

Karina P. 3/24

Jamesen H. 3/31



## *Toddler News from Ms. Ginny & Ms. Pam*

I think our International Day was a huge success. The kids were great and looked so cute! The food was delicious!! Thanks so much for volunteering to bring a dish. It was all so good, and we could not do any of these things without your help!! Thank you parents for being so great!!

This month we will be talking all about the farm! We will make lots of crafts and sing old and new songs. This is always a fun month for the kids. Ms. Melanie put pictures on Facebook of them visiting the chickens. Be sure and look at them, and if you haven't already, "like" our page on Facebook and Instagram.

Please be sure to check your child's extra clothing box and make sure they have all they need in case of an accident.

On Friday, March 9, we will release the children at 11:00 due to conferences. I have already talked with many of you. Please be sure to see me. We can easily talk in the mornings at drop off so you won't have to miss work.

More important dates:

March 16 - Auction at Mellow Mushroom on Broad St. Tickets are on sale now in the office. This is an adult only event and is always a lot of fun. The Adolescent class is having babysitting that night! There will be a sign up sheet in the office next week for the babysitting.

I want to thank Reef's mom, Kelly, for getting our getting all the kids' fingerprints it! It's going to be very cute.

March 26 - 30 Spring Break!!

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## *Toddler News from Ms. Shannon & Ms. Dana*

International Day was a success!! Thank you so much for all your hard work and help! We are missing Madagascar already. The kids want to know where the rain forest has gone. They really enjoyed all the decorations and the lemurs!!

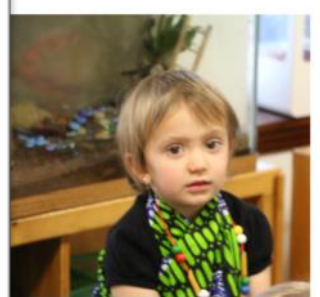
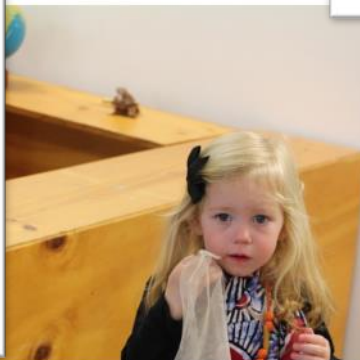
We are moving on to the farm. We will be talking about the animals that live on the farm. We will also discuss all the things that we get from farms. We will be visiting the chickens and garden that the adolescents have. Alexandra brought us some eggs so we could see that different chickens lay different eggs. We will also have a baby goat visiting us and possibly a cow. We have a traveling trunk show from Bartow Area History Museum coming to visit and do a farm presentation on April 12. This is a fun month!!

It is conference time. Please see me to schedule a time if you haven't done so. I'm already half way through them so thank you to the ones who have met with me. Remember March 9 is an early release day. Toddlers will dismiss at 11.

March 16 is our Booster's Auction. Please make sure to buy your tickets at the office. This is an adult only function. Each class will make an art project for live auction. There will also be donated items for a silent auction. If you have any contacts that you think would like to donate items for either please reach out to them. The money we raise at this auction is used for many wonderful projects around the school. The Boosters provided us with the beautiful outdoor classroom last year, as well as teacher lunches and gift cards to be used for our classrooms. The Adolescent Class is offering babysitting at the school for \$30 for the evening.

We will have our Easter egg hunt on March 23. Each child will need to bring one dozen stuffed eggs (that have been taped shut) and a basket to hunt with. The big kids will hide the eggs on the playground for us. The hunt usually lasts no more than five minutes. You are welcome to attend.

Spring break is March 26-30. I hope you have a great break!!



## *News from Ms. Ana Maria & Ms. Valerie*

Hello All!

Thank you to everyone for helping with International Day. It is always a little crazy that day, but it is so much fun. The children had so much fun learning all about Ireland. They are still speaking a little Gaelic and saying "top of the morning to ya." We will be leaving all of our decorations up through St. Patrick's day. You are welcome to come take a look around. We are going to try to come up with some fun activities for St. Patrick's day.

We are now getting back into the routine of the classroom day. We had a great time decorating the class and learning so much information about Ireland, but it is nice to get back to math and language. This is a wonderful time to come observe your child. You are welcome to come at any time to observe through the observation window in the closet. Make sure your child doesn't know you are coming to observe. They will act differently if they know you are in the closet. If you have not already signed up for a conference, please do so as soon as possible.

In March, we will be learning about rain forests and doing science experiments. Lower and Upper Elementary will do a science fair at the end of the month and it is always fun to join in the fun. If there is a science experiment that you would like to share with the class, please let us know.

We have some important dates coming up. Our auction is on March 16th. Please make plans to attend. It is so much fun and there will even be babysitting provided by the adolescents. If you know of anyone who would like to make a donation to the auction, please let us know. All the money raised goes to the Boosters who provide wonderful in house field trips and so much more for our school.

Speaking of, I hope everyone has gotten to hear about the science guy who came to school on Tuesday. The children were amazed and so were we. Thank you so much to the boosters for bringing him to the school. What a fun way to kick off science fair month.

As always here are the important dates coming up:

**March 9th- Parent/teacher conferences- Half Day**  
(Students will be dismissed at 11:15am.)

**March 16th- Auction 7pm at Mellow Mushroom**

**March 23rd- Easter Egg Hunt**

**March 26-30 Spring Break**

**April 20th- Gardening and Special Persons Day**

**April 27th- Field Trip to the Chattanooga Zoo. We**  
will need to arrive before 9:45am.



## *Primary News from Ms. Angie & Ms. Carolina*

Hello everyone.

Thanks to everyone for making International Day a huge success. The food was awesome and the children looked amazing. We were so proud of them. They knew their songs and learned so much about Switzerland. The hard work paid off. I love how we are able to bring so much of the cultural world into our classrooms. During our studies, we focused on grace and courtesy also. Academics is very important but we also want our children to be courteous and respectful to others. Table manners was and still is one of our daily topics. Hopefully you are seeing these manners implemented at home also.

We have so many events coming up. Please make sure that you have signed up for a conference time. There is a conference sign up sheet posted at our classroom door. If you need another time that is not posted, please let me know. I will be happy to meet with you.

We also have the auction that the Boosters host coming up on March 16th at Mellow Mushroom at 7:00. We are working on our class project that I am sure you are going to want. We will have it in the lobby next week. Ms. Melanie has listed many of the important dates in the newsletter. Please check them out and let us know if you have any questions. It is a busy and fun time.

On Friday we celebrated Dr. Seuss. He taught us to use those silly words and to rhyme. The children love to read his books. We had a special morning with all things Seussical.

We will study the continent of Australia this month. We will look at the people, homes, and animals. Again, studying other places in the world give us dreams of traveling, knowledge of people that may not be just like us and views of accepting and learning from any differences.

If you have not been able to observe in our class, we invite you to do so. It is amazing at what our children are doing on a daily basis. The children enjoy sharing with you on how the materials are used and are willing to give you a lesson. There are many opportunities coming up at school for a visit/observation. Reenrollment packets went home last week. Please return these as soon as possible. It is that time of year. We are getting many calls from people wanting to visit our wonderful school. Thank you for your referrals!





## **BOOSTER'S CLUB AUCTION**

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**DATE:** FRIDAY MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

**TIME:** 7:00 P.M.

**LOCATION:** MELLOW MUSHROOM  
238 BROAD ST, ROME, GA 30161

**Price:** \$25 in advance  
and  
\$30 at the door  
per person

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: [OFFICE@MSOR.ORG](mailto:OFFICE@MSOR.ORG)

## *Elementary News: Ms. Maggie and Ms. Stefanie*

Thank you to everyone who helped make our International Day a big success! The students really enjoyed learning about Ukraine and the interesting landmarks, customs, traditions, and foods enjoyed in this large Eastern European country. We were thrilled to have the Ukrainian items from Kobey's family, the pickles from Samuel's family, and the beautiful serving dishes for display from the Whelchel family! The food was delicious, and we appreciate everyone's willingness to try new recipes!

Thank you also to our wonderful Booster's Club for bringing the Go Science Zone in-house field trip to us. The presentation was amazing and always gets our students excited about their Science Fair projects!

Science Fair is scheduled for March 22nd. It is held at the gym off Division St. Everyone should be working on their experiments at home and filling in the sections from the blue science fair packet. We will be working on assembling the students' boards in class. Each student will need a large black or white trifold board to bring to class. All boards should be brought into class by Thursday, March 8th. You are also welcome to send in items such as poster letters, pictures, or other items to be displayed on science boards.

We are looking forward to meeting with you all for parent/teacher conferences the week of March 5th - 9th. March 9th will be a half day of school. There is a sign up list for conferences posted on our classroom door.

Our Spring break will be March 26th - 30th. We hope you all enjoy the time of relaxation with your families! Please encourage your child to find a good book & read over the break. You might even enjoy the experience of reading a book aloud together as a family. School will resume on April 2nd.

Lower El will hide Easter eggs on March 23rd for Primary to hunt. The students always have fun participating in creating this joyful time for their younger friends.

The 3rd years will begin visiting Upper El this month. They are all looking forward to their promotion to the next 3 year cycle of learning!

We hope to see you all March 16th at Mellow Mushroom for the MSR Art Auction. The students put a lot of time and hard work into creating beautiful items to be auctioned and there are always fun items from local businesses to bid on. The adolescent class will be providing babysitting services.

Happy Spring to you all!

Ms. Maggie & Ms. Stefanie



## *Elementary News: Ms. Dolores*

International Day is truly one of our students' favorite days of the year, and this year did not disappoint. They enjoyed every minute of our South Africa studies and are not ready for it to end. Thank-you so much, Ms. Anna and Ms. Kim for helping the children make the room so beautiful and safari-like. And thank-you, parents for the wonderful dishes that you brought to share. If any 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> year parents have suggestions about what we should study next year, please let Ms. Anna know so we can research and reserve, if we're able to.

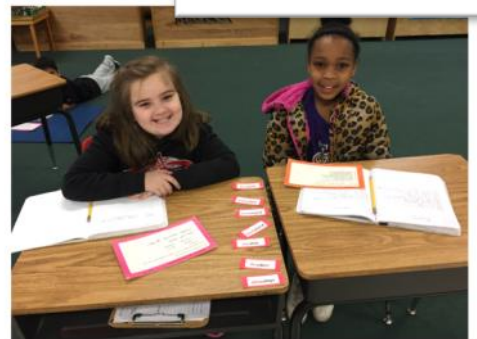
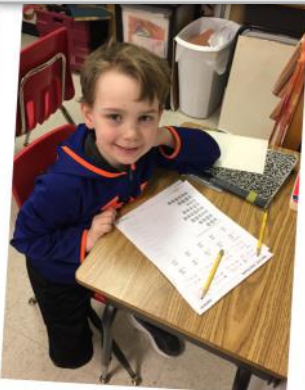
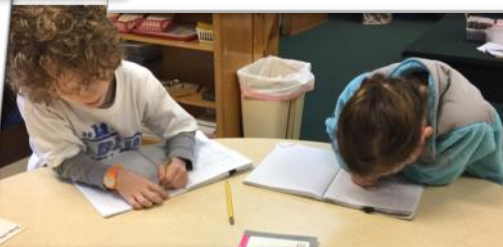
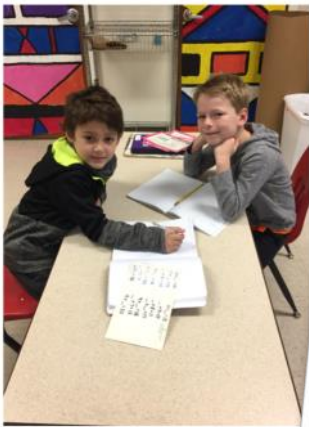
We've nailed down an art project for the Boosters' Annual Art Auction, and we'll be busy as bees next week to get it completed. Make sure to mark your calendar for March 16 and plan to join us all at Mellow Mushroom. Bring your smiles and your \$\$\$\$. The adolescents are offering babysitting service at the school.

The science fair is less than three weeks away, and I thank you for helping our little Einsteins keep up with their deadlines. While the obvious focus of this event is on science and the scientific method, it encompasses so much more. Quite often there is math involved in presenting results, with graph and chart making as well. Your child will observe and record while doing this project. And on the night of the big event, they will practice the ability to communicate their experience to a crowd.

More importantly, they are exposed to the scientific method which is a great problem solving tool. Though not labelled as such, we adults use this method quite frequently... Tackling a problem or forming a question, coming up with an "if/then" hypothesis in our mind, and relying on background information or devising a plan to come up with a desired result. My sons remember every science fair project they did while at MSR and the older one still has more questions than a 2-year-old. What a relief that he now has the tools to answer them himself!

We've taken the tedious part of this assignment out of your home. We'll be building the science boards in class. Have fun doing the project with your child. If they sense excitement from you, it will really enhance the experience for everyone.

See you next week at parent conferences. Don't forget that Friday will only be a half-day.



## *News from Ms. Rebecca and Ms. Kaitlin*

We had a wonderful trip to the Tellus Museum on Monday. Students were able to participate in two science labs. They were able to conduct their own experiments with light and renewable energy. On Tuesday, we hosted the Science Guy from Go Science Zone. The students enjoyed this in-house field trip and are excited about Science Fair!

Spring Conference sign up sheet is now available outside the classroom door. Next Friday, March 9th is a half day for conferences. Dismissal will be at 11:30 and no lunch that day.

Fire Safety for 5th years is Tuesday, March 6th and 4-H Club meeting is Thursday, March 8th.

March 16th is Booster Club Silent Auction at Mellow Mushroom at 7:00 PM. Come out and see all the art projects each class has made!

March 17th is the Big Fibbers Festival. This is a community event for all ages. If students bring their storytelling notebook from class, they can get in for free.

Science Fair Step 4 is due March 16th and Step 5 is due March 21st. The Science Fair will take place March 22nd at the Northwest Georgia Housing Authority Gym at 6:00 PM.

Spring Break is March 26th-30th.

