

PLUM COVE SCHOOL

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thanks to everyone who participated in the K-2 Once Upon a Time at Plum Cove demonstration night. The children and adults all looked fantastic in their costumes.

Once again it is time of our annual online auction to be held from **April 29th through May 6th**. Please help and support our auction by donating items such art, sport tickets, professional services, restaurant or spa gift certificates, jewelry, any cool and unique items. Please contact Deanna Benjamin at 978-580-7132, deanna.c.benjamin@gmail.com or via Facebook. There are already lots of great items donated this year so be sure to check out our Facebook page in the upcoming weeks for some sneak peeks! Bid High and Bid Often!

Kindergarten Registration forms should have been completed by March 1, 2019 and delivered or mailed to Ann-Marie Jordan, Preschool Director, 2 Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. If you have any questions, please feel free to call her at 978-281-9816. If you have a child or know of a child who will be five years old on or before August 31, 2019 and has not registered for



April 4th – Site Council – 3:00-4:00 p.m.

April 4th – Gr. 5 Parent Night at O'Maley @ 6:00p.m.

April 8th - Planting Day

April 10th – P.T.O. Meeting @ 2:45 p.m. Childcare provided

**April 15th -19th Spring Break
P.T.O. Online Auction 4/29 – 5/6**

**May 5th – Mad Hot Ball – Grade 5
GHS Field House 2:00-4:30**

Every Tuesday “Banking Makes Cents” – Gr. 3-5

Every Friday – “Ballroom Dancing” Grade 5

**Play Rehearsals Monday and Wednesdays from 2:30-3:55 p.m.
Starting April 25th Thursdays from 2:30-3:55 p.m.**

Every Friday – Band 2:30 – 3:15

kindergarten, please download the registration forms from the district website, www.gloucesterschools.com. If you need a hard copy, please call the school's office at 978-282-3030 and we will be happy to send you one. School choice request forms are available at the school's office and **will be accepted from March 7th through May 15th.**

As we approach April school vacation, I would like to inform parents that the state of Massachusetts uses **chronic absenteeism** as a **school accountability metric**. Chronic Absenteeism is defined as missing ten percent or more of the academic year. Based on a 180 day school year that means a student would miss about 18 days per year with excused or unexcused absences. Please avoid unnecessary absences since it has an affect on your child's learning as well as our school rating.

A friendly reminder that **Grades 3-5** will be participating in the **MCAS** State Assessment, a tentative schedule for grade level testing is available for families. I know our students have been working hard as learners and the best message to give them is to relax and to give it their best effort. We cannot stress the importance of having your child **on time and present** during the testing window dates. Please do not schedule any appointments during these dates. Please be sure to mark your calendars. MCAS state testing window begin April 1st – May 24th.

MCAS 2019 SCHEDULE TENTATIVE SCHEDULE	
Please be aware that these dates could change due to weather, power outages, etc.	
GR. 3 ELA 1	APRIL 2, 2019
GR. 3 ELA 2	APRIL 9, 2019
GR. 3 MATH 1	APRIL 30, 2019
GR. 3 MATH 2	MAY 7, 2019
GR. 4 ELA 1	APRIL 3, 2019
GR. 4 ELA 2	APRIL 10, 2019
GR. 4 MATH 1	MAY 1, 2019
GR. 4 MATH 2	MAY 8, 2019

GR. 5 ELA 1	APRIL 4, 2019
GR. 5 ELA 2	APRIL 11, 2019
GR. 5 MATH 1	MAY 2, 2019
GR. 5 MATH 2	MAY 3, 2019
GR. 5 STE 1	MAY 9, 2019
GR. 5 STE 2	MAY 10, 2019



Plum Cove's annual production this year is Favorites. Rehearsals are held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:30-3:55 p.m. and Thursdays starting April 25th. The show is planned for Thursday, May 23rd @ 7:00 p.m. Any questions, please email Mr. Delisi at gdelisi@gloucesterschool.com