



Gulf Shores Elementary

Coastal Connection

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Important Dates

March 8 – Spring Pictures
March 10 – Early dismissal for students
March 13 – Cookie Dough Fundraiser Ends
March 14 – 7 Habits w/ Admin (8:30am)
March 17 – Report Cards come home
March 21 – Spirit Night (location TBA)
March 22 – Club Day
March 25 – April 2 Spring Break

Dr. Alicia Early
Principal

Sonya Price
Assistant Principal

Dr. Tim Webb
Assistant Principal

It's Cookie Time!

Gulf Shores Elementary School

We need your help!
Your cookie dough fundraiser starts today.

Will the Admin Team Get Silly Stringed?
When we reach our goal of selling \$30,000, the top sellers in each grade will get to silly string the Admin Team!

Important Details:

Dates: Monday February 27th to March 13th, 2023

Checks Payable to: Gulf Shores Elementary

Reminders:

- All checks received must have a phone number written on the check
- Students should list a phone number and delivery address for each order on their order forms
- Have an adult verify the order form and money prior to sending to the school

PRIZES

PLUS TOY PRIZES IN THE PACKET

Sell 10 Items

MAGIC SHOW!
Sell 15 Items to earn VIP Seating at the Magic Show!

TOP SELLERS

The seller who raises the most money will earn **\$100!**

The school's 2nd Top Seller will earn: **\$50!**

ONLINE STORE

Friends and family who live out of town can also help support our school!

How it works:

- Go to www.forfundsonline.com and click "register."
- Enter your FUNDRAISING PROGRAM ID: **68544**
- Send emails to friends and family with your PROGRAM ID & the PARTICIPANT ID after registering.

IMPORTANT: Please do not put online orders on the catalog order form. Online customers pay online with a credit card and orders are shipped directly to them.

LOST AND FOUND

Parents, we have a ton of lost jackets, lunchboxes, water bottles etc. This Friday, March 3, we are going to have these items displayed in front of the school from 8:30 - 1:30 for you to come by and look through. After Friday, **ALL ITEMS** will be donated to Waterfront Missions.

7 Habits with Admin

On March 14th, from 8:30 – 10 am in The Nest. Dr. Early will lead parents in the study of habits 4 and 5. We are excited to have you all back on campus for this wonderful learning experience



Spring Pictures

When: March 8th, 2023

Where: Gulf Shores Elementary

How It Works:

- Students' dress their best
- Students' photos taken at school on March 8th
- Form will come home several days later for ordering



Acceptance into a First-Class Pre-K program is strictly through random drawing. Parent/Guardian does not have to be present at the drawing.

There will be a Facebook live recording of the drawing as it is not open to the public. Random Drawing Details

Date: March 10, 2023

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: Gulf Shores Elementary School

Help Your Child Prepare For
STANDARDIZED TESTS

Do Your Best On The Test!

If you're looking for ways to help your child prepare for standardized testing, follow these test-taking tips to ensure the best chance for success.

1. Keep It Positive

Start test day by reminding your child that he will:

A "ROCK THIS TEST!"

B "SHOW WHAT HE KNOWS"

You'll be surprised the difference a few words of encouragement can make.

2. Promote Strong School Habits

Support what your child's teachers are doing in class by making sure your child attends school regularly and misses as few days as possible.

3. Work With Your Child's Teacher

Talk to your child's teacher about any concerns you have or your child has, especially if she has test anxiety.

Ask for test readiness strategies you can work on at home.

4. Don't Cram

Make sure your child gets plenty of rest the night before testing. Don't try to cram a year's worth of learning into one late night.

Trust that your teachers have been preparing their students all year long!

5. Make The Most of Test Day

Start with a healthy breakfast on test day! Avoid:

A SUGARY FOOD (CAN CAUSE JITTERS)

B HEAVY FOOD (CAN CAUSE SLEEPINESS)

6. Reinforce Test-Taking Skills

If your child is unsure of an answer, remind him or her to go slowly, and:

A "PAY ATTENTION TO EACH QUESTION"

B "GO WITH YOUR GUT"

7. Keep It In Perspective

One test does not sum up a child's entire academic record. Classroom success comes from many factors and standardized tests are just one part of the picture.



Friday, March 10th is a ½ of school for our students. This means we will dismiss that day at 11:30.