

## **Important School News**

CMAS testing starts next week

This spring, students in the state of Colorado will be taking the CMAS (Colorado Measures of Academic Success) summative assessments in English language arts, mathematics, science and social studies. CMAS assessments are required by the state of Colorado for all students in grades 3 through 12. At Meadow Point, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will be taking the English language arts and math tests. Just like last spring, 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will be tested in science.

State summative assessments are designed to be point-in-time snapshots of what students know and can do in core content areas. The assessment results are used by parents to gauge student progress over time and teachers to inform and improve instructional practices. Anyone interested may view sample items for these assessments. We have put links to these sample items under the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade “student links” portion of our website.

Testing will begin next week with dates and times available on the Meadow Point website. Please refer to these times and avoid appointments during the testing windows. If there is an unavoidable conflict, please communicate with your child’s teacher.

A good night’s sleep and a great breakfast help students get off to the right start when it comes to testing.

Please let me if you have any questions.

Thank You,

Tom McDowell

## **Scholastic Book Fair**

The dates for the Spring Book Fair is: April 23 – April 27. Delivery should be on 4-18 or 4-19 with set-up on 4-19 and tear down will be on 4-27 at 4:00. Any volunteers would greatly be appreciated!! Contact the office or Pam Higgins in the library if you would like to volunteer. The book fair will be open during lunch times 10:40 -1:00, after school up until 4:00 and on Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> there will be a family event from 4:00-6:00.

**Student Drop Off Lane:** Parents using this area must drop their child off along the curb. This area is a single lane wide so that parents can stop along the curb and then pull forward when exiting. Students should only exit the car on the passenger side. Parents using this area should always drive as far forward in the lane as possible before stopping. When picking students up in this area, parents SHOULD NOT double park NOR leave the car unattended. Students should, again, only enter the car on the passenger side from the curb. There is to be NO PARKING in the drop off lane as it is an emergency vehicle access lane.

### **Some other things I have noticed that can help increase safety include:**

Remain patient and courteous;

Use your turn signal;

Stay off of any devices;

Pull all the way forward;

Drop off no earlier than 7:50;

And remain patient and courteous (yes, it's worth saying twice).

Thank you for looking out for everyone!

Tom McDowell, Principal

**Meadow Point has Spiritwear to sell. There is a gray hoodie that is selling for \$20 and a black t-shirt that is \$10. If you would like to see what they look like there are samples in the front lobby. We will be putting in an order for them on Friday, October 13th.**

**Students will not be supervised before school until the bell rings at 7:50 (unless they are in breakfast starting at 7:30). The ten minute window between 7:50 and 8:00 should be enough time for everyone to safely get through the drop-off line and still be on time. If you require earlier supervision, please contact Kids Klub.**

## ***PTCO***

\*Silent Auction – April 13- **Has been cancelled**

Did you know the Meadow Point PTCO has a Facebook page? Check it out, and keep updated on PTCO happenings!

[https://www.facebook.com/Meadow-Point-Elementary-PTO-868545943157367/?hc\\_ref=SEARCH&fref=nf](https://www.facebook.com/Meadow-Point-Elementary-PTO-868545943157367/?hc_ref=SEARCH&fref=nf)

### Next Meeting

We will have our next regularly scheduled meeting on April 25th at 5:30pm

## **Calendar Events**

**Finally, there are going to be many fun and educational events happening this year. Please keep an eye out for more dates, but also mark your calendars with these up-coming events (more details to follow in the coming weeks):**

**Apr. 10-19 CMAS Testing**

**Apr. 18 Coldstone Fundraiser**

**Apr. 23-27 Scholastic Book Fair**

**Apr. 23-May 9 Grandview Art Show**

**Apr. 24 Grandview Art Show Reception 5-7:30**

**Apr. 24 Van Gogh Class & Individual Pictures**