



Adams Topics

March 1, 2016

Gerald Adams Elementary
Dolphin Pride

FSA TESTING DATES:

March 1: Grades 4-5 FSA Writing Test
 March 30-31 Grade 3 ELA FSA/Gr 4 Math FSA
 April 1 & 4 Grade 3 Math FSA
 April 19-20 Grade 4-5 ELA FSA
 April 26-27 Grade 5 Math FSA
 May 3-4 GRADE 5 FCAT SCIENCE

ACCESS TESTING FOR ELL STUDENTS:
 WINDOW OPENS FEBRUARY 9TH

MILLION WORD CLUB UPDATE: GAE students are reading so much that we need an update to our Word Count a week early! Our current school-wide word count total is: 35,598,892 words! Excellent reading, GAE students! That is not even the most exciting thing that happened this week... we have not ONE, but TWO new Word Millionaires! Congratulations to Zandre Font and Roan Millelli who both surpassed the 1,000,000 word mark this week. We already have four Word Millionaires this school year. I think that the kids have been listening when we tell them, "The more you read, the more you know!" Congratulations to the Accelerated Reader Word Count Leaders as of 02/26/16 for Gerald Adams Elementary!

Student	Words
Christ Jolis	1,977,550
David Crespo	1,778,709
Zandre Font	1,023,446
Roan Millelli	1,010,053
Mirdy Charles	665,491

YEARBOOK PRE-SALE: Until March 7, the price for a yearbook will be \$23.00. After March 7, the price will be \$25.00. Presale orders will be distributed when the yearbooks arrive. Orders may be turned in with home room teachers or at the Front Office.

MARCH Dates to Remember:

1 Grade 4-5 ELA Writing Test
 2 PAKER Night Dr. Seuss' Birthday
 3 Spring Photos
 13 **Time Change**
 14-16 Bunny Pictures
 16 **Early Release Day**
 18 End of 3- 9 weeks
 20-28 Spring Break School Closed

TIME CHANGE/DAYLIGHT SAVINGS: Just a reminder that daylight savings time begins March 13th. It is wise to start preparing your children for this time change now. It helps if they start going to be about 15 minutes earlier for a few days and then adjust it again by 15 minutes. This will help them acclimate slowly.

SPRING BREAK: The district's Spring Break is March 21-28. **Classes will reconvene on Tuesday, March 29th.** The school and front office will be closed. We will NOT be offering daycare.

SPRING PHOTOS: We will be taking Spring Photos on March 3rd. The flyers with package and backdrop options are in today's Tuesday envelope.

PBS Bunny Pictures will be taken March 14-16th during lunch. More information to come.

ODYSSEY TEAMS SCORE GOLD! Congratulations to the three Odyssey of the Mind teams for earning GOLD medals at the regional competition Saturday! Our students were amazing with their Long Term Performances and Spontaneous Activities. Two teams are eligible to compete at the state competition in Orlando this April! We would like to thank all of the parents and families for their support with the program. A very special thank you to Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Criado for their help with the teams at the competition!