

# SHARK TALES

## Message from the Principal, Mrs. Axson



Kindergarten and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation is quickly approaching. Graduation will be held on Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at the Silver Springs Shores Community Center.

Kindergarten Graduation is from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
and  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation is from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

## WALL OF FAME

WALL OF FAME WORD:  
NO WALL OF FAME THIS WEEK!

Carter -  
Maldonado -  
Booe-  
Kucharek -  
Montanez -  
Amerling -  
Dillingham -  
Belwood -  
Dube -  
Crawford -  
Moon-  
Egert -  
Fish -



Our last F.A.S.T. State testing (PM3) dates are quickly approaching. Please remind your child(ren) the importance of these assessments. These assessments track your child's progress in regards to the State's B.E.S.T. standards and will determine if your student is performing below, on, or above grade level. Please see the attached flyer for some helpful tips on how to prepare for the tests.

### UPCOMING STATE TESTING DATES:

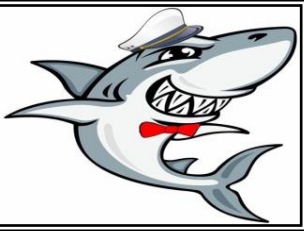
Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>- Kdg.-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade STAR Reading Test  
Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>- Kdg. - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade STAR Math Test  
Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade FAST PM3 Reading Test  
Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade FAST PM3 Reading Test  
Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade FAST PM3 Reading Test  
Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade FAST PM3 Math Test  
Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade FAST PM3 Math Test  
Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade FAST PM3 Math Test  
Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade N.G.S.S. Science Test



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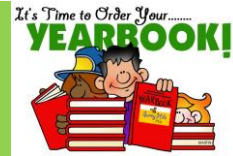
## It's Book Fair Time!

The Scholastic Book Fair will be here next week Monday through Thursday. All book are BUY ONE GET ONE FREE! This is a perfect time to buy books for your children to enjoy over the summer. We accept cash, credit cards, and e-wallet. Please see the attached flyer on how to access the e-wallet information. If you have any questions, please let us know.



# NEWSLETTER!

**KONA ICE** will be here next Thursday. ALL orders MUST be turned in online by Wednesday evening. Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter for your activation code.



We have yearbooks on sale! You may pre-order your yearbook by paying cash or ordering online. Flyers went home this week and if you need additional information, you can see the attached flyer. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the front office.

## Did you know?

Did you know there is a transportation stipend being offered for Educational Choice in Florida by Step Up for Students? This includes transporting your child to a charter school!

Every child has unique needs and sometimes the best school may be one other than the one he/she is assigned.

To support the transportation costs associated with traveling to a different public school than the one the student has been assigned, families of K-8 students can benefit from a transportation stipend of \$750 per eligible household, regardless of income.

Families can easily apply for the stipend through Step Up For Students

at <https://www.stepupforstudents.org/scholarships/>

### UP COMING FIELD TRIPS:

Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>- 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades to Ocala Discovery Science and Park

Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade to Orlando Science Center

Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade to Kennedy Space Center



Please make sure that your child is wearing the appropriate shoes to school everyday. Please remember that CROCS and open back shoes such as slides and flip flops are NOT allowed for safety reasons. Students have P.E. and recess everyday and enjoy running and playing outside and there is an increased risk for injury if they have on inappropriate shoes.

### Important Dates:

April 19<sup>th</sup>- NO SCHOOL! 😊

May 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>- STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK!

May 17<sup>th</sup>- Field Day!

### What can I do at home at night and when school is not in session?

\*Read 30 minutes every night

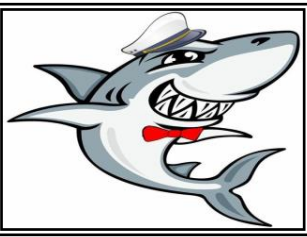
\*Practice your math facts

\*Log onto [www.reflexmath.com](http://www.reflexmath.com)

\*Log onto [www.readingrangers.com](http://www.readingrangers.com)

\*Complete your nightly homework

\*Spend quality time with your family



# NEWSLETTER!

## RESILIENCY SKILL OF THE MONTH:

### MENTORSHIP AND CITIZENSHIP

Mentorship and Citizenship go hand in hand. It is vital that we teach all our students how to practice good citizenship. After all, the actions of each individual person at home, in school, in communities, in states, countries, and the world impacts all of us. It really helps determine what kind of world we are living in. Mentors are critical in teaching others how to be good citizens and stewards of the earth.

**Check out this short video about mentorship and citizenship.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jtPCjNULjBs>

## Resiliency Skills

The State of Florida has implemented resiliency skills and standards throughout all grade levels. These skills are intentionally designed to impart the value of resiliency in early grades, such as volunteerism, responsibility, and goal setting, and then support students as they demonstrate those concepts in higher grades. The standards embed concepts of civic responsibility through citizenship and mentorship to not only help students understand the value of these ideas, but to actively engage in activities and exercises that will prepare them to be upstanding, responsible citizens.

## HEALTH AND WELLNESS:

Please remember to keep your child at home if they are not feeling well. If your child has a fever, diarrhea, or are throwing up, they **MUST** be symptom free for 24 hours **WITHOUT** the aide of medicine before they can return to school.

If you have any questions, please call Ms. Brittany in the front office at 687-2100.



## ATTENDANCE MATTERS! BE HERE! ON TIME! EVERY DAY! ALL DAY!

Our school mascot, Captain Clark the Shark will be visiting classrooms with the best attendance in the school each week! Ms. Wells will also be giving out \$5 Shark Bucks every day to a student in each grade level if they were here on time.

**THIS WEEK'S WINNER: Mr. Egert's class!**



Text-A-Tip Hotline  
352-877-2838

# SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

## More Bookjoy, less hassle—with eWallet!

This year, say *goodbye* to giving your kids crumpled bills and loose change...and *hello* to **eWallet**, a super-convenient, secure digital payment account, for the Scholastic Book Fair. Setting up an eWallet for your child empowers them to choose their own books and effortlessly check out during the Best. Week. Ever. at their school. And any leftover funds can be saved for future Fairs. Now, that's a win-win!



Visit our school's Book Fair homepage to get started:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/marioncharterschool1>

# YEARBOOK

ANUARIO

ORDER A COPY OF YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY!

ORDENE UNA COPIA DE SU ANUARIO HOY!

Be sure to get your order in on time to guarantee that you will receive a yearbook.

Asegúrese de ordenar a tiempo para garantizar recibir un anuario.



**LIMITED  
TIME TO  
ORDER**  
Tiempo limitado para ordenar



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Returned checks will be electronically re-presented to your account along with the state allowable fee. Your use of a check is your acceptance of this policy.

Los cheques devueltos serán representados electrónicamente a su cuenta junto con el honorario permisible del estado. Su uso del cheque es su aceptación de esta política.

Order online  
at  
[www.strawbridge.net](http://www.strawbridge.net)  
and use the  
online code:  
YB30228

## **MARION CHARTER SCHOOL**

2023-2024 YEARBOOK ORDER FORM  
FORMULARIO DE PEDIDO DEL ANUARIO

### **Pricing & Deadlines** PRECIOS Y PLAZOS

CASH & Online sales

until 4/29/24

\$15.00





**KONA ICE  
PRE-PAY**

**TAKING  
ONLINE  
ORDERS  
NOW!**

[CUSTOMER.KONA-ICE.COM](http://CUSTOMER.KONA-ICE.COM)

**MARION CHARTER SCHOOL  
GO TO: [CUSTOMER.KONA-ICE.COM](http://CUSTOMER.KONA-ICE.COM)  
ORDERING CLOSES MIDNIGHT WEDNESDAY  
CASH WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**

**KONA DAY IS THURSDAY, APRIL 25**

**EVENT CODE:**

**K847907583**

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**KONA ICE OCALA**

352.804.5662 | [ocala@kona-ice.com](mailto:ocala@kona-ice.com) | [www.kona-ice.com](http://www.kona-ice.com)



**BOOK FAIR IS COMING NEXT WEEK!**

**Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> through Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>!**

**We accept cash, credit cards, and e-wallet!**

**To set up your e-wallet, please visit our school's Book Fair homepage at**

**<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/marioncharter1>**

**LET'S KICK OFF THE SUMMER BY READING!**



# MCS Lunch Menu-April 2024

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Daily Milk Choices:</b> White 1% Milk Chocolate FF Milk  <i>*Menu options are subject to change without notice*</i>	1 Chili Cheese Pasta Roll, Corn Green Beans Fresh Fruit Fruit Juice	2 Mandarin Orange Chicken, Rice Roll, Cole Slaw Roasted Broccoli Fresh Fruit Fruit Juice	3 Shepherd's Pie Roll Peas Roasted Carrots Fresh Fruit	4 Chicken Pasta Roll Cucumbers & Tomato Mixed Vegetables Fresh Fruit	5 Chicken Sandwich Crunchy Carrots Baked Beans Fruit Juice
	8 Chili Cheese Pasta Roll, Corn Green Beans Fresh Fruit Fruit Juice	9 Teriyaki Chicken Fiesta Rice Roasted Carrots Roasted Broccoli Fresh Fruit	10 Beef Taco Nachos Cheese Sauce Black Beans Corn Fresh Fruit	11 Beefaroni Roll Mixed Vegetables Fresh Fruit Fruit Cup	12 Big Daddy Cheese Pizza Crunchy Carrots Green Beans Fruit Juice
	15 Macaroni and Chicken Bowl, Roll Roasted Broccoli Fresh Fruit	16 Chicken Fajita Tortilla Chips Roasted Carrots Potato Wedges Fresh Fruit	17 Chicken Pot Pie over Mashed Potatoes Roll Black Beans Mixed Vegetables	18 Hot Dog Chili Cole Slaw Potato Wedges Fresh Fruit Fruit Cup	19  NO SCHOOL! SPRING BREAK!
	22 Chili Cheese Pasta Roll, Corn Green Beans Fresh Fruit Fruit Juice	23 Mandarin Orange Chicken, Rice Roll, Cole Slaw Roasted Broccoli Fresh Fruit Fruit Juice	24 Shepherd's Pie Roll Peas Roasted Carrots Fresh Fruit	25 Chicken Pasta Roll Cucumbers & Tomato Mixed Vegetables Fresh Fruit	26 Chicken Sandwich Crunchy Carrots Baked Beans Fruit Juice
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# SMARTIES

know how  
to  
prepare  
for tests.

## 7 Great ways to prepare for the test

1. Get a good night's sleep.
2. Eat a healthy breakfast.
3. Dress comfortably.
4. Start your day peacefully.
5. Arrive on time.
6. Think positive thoughts.
7. Do your best!

THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF MARION COUNTY PRESENTS:



# ANIMAL ADVENTURE SUMMER CAMP

JUNE 3RD THROUGH JUNE 7TH



7:30AM-5:30PM



3001 SW COLLEGE RD. OCALA, FL

WE PROVIDE MORNING SNACK, LUNCH, AND  
AFTERNOON SNACK!

CHILDREN ENTERING 1ST TO 5TH GRADE CAN JOIN  
US FOR CRAFTS, ACTIVITIES, ANIMAL  
INTERACTION,, VETERINARIAN DAY, AND MORE...

QUESTIONS OR WANT TO SIGN UP? EMAIL:  
[ARYAN@HUMANESOCIETYOFMARIONCOUNTY.COM](mailto:ARYAN@HUMANESOCIETYOFMARIONCOUNTY.COM)  
OR CALL (352)873-7387 EXT 202



# Meeting New Furr-ends with HSMC

Are you between the ages of 10-15 and want a 4-legged friend by your side? Do you want to relax and play with cats in a quiet room? We have treats, toys, cat nip, and more for your furry friend. Come join us at Meeting New Furr-ends!

Ages: 10, 11, & 12 2:30 PM

05/04/24

Scan to  
Sign Up:

Ages: 13, 14, & 15 3:00 PM

06/01/24

06/15/24

07/13/24

07/27/24

08/03/24

Questions?

Call (352)873-7387 ext 202





# DOGGONE

# GOOD

# READING

COME LEARN ABOUT HUMANE  
EDUCATION AND READ TO  
DOGS AT THE HUMANE  
SOCIETY OF MARION COUNTY!

READ WITH US:

05/04/24

BUDDY UNCHAINED

06/01/24

CAN I BE YOUR PET?

06/15/24

CAN I PET YOUR DOG?

07/13/24

BEFORE YOU WERE MINE

07/27/24

MY BIG DOG

08/03/24

BAD DOG MARLEY



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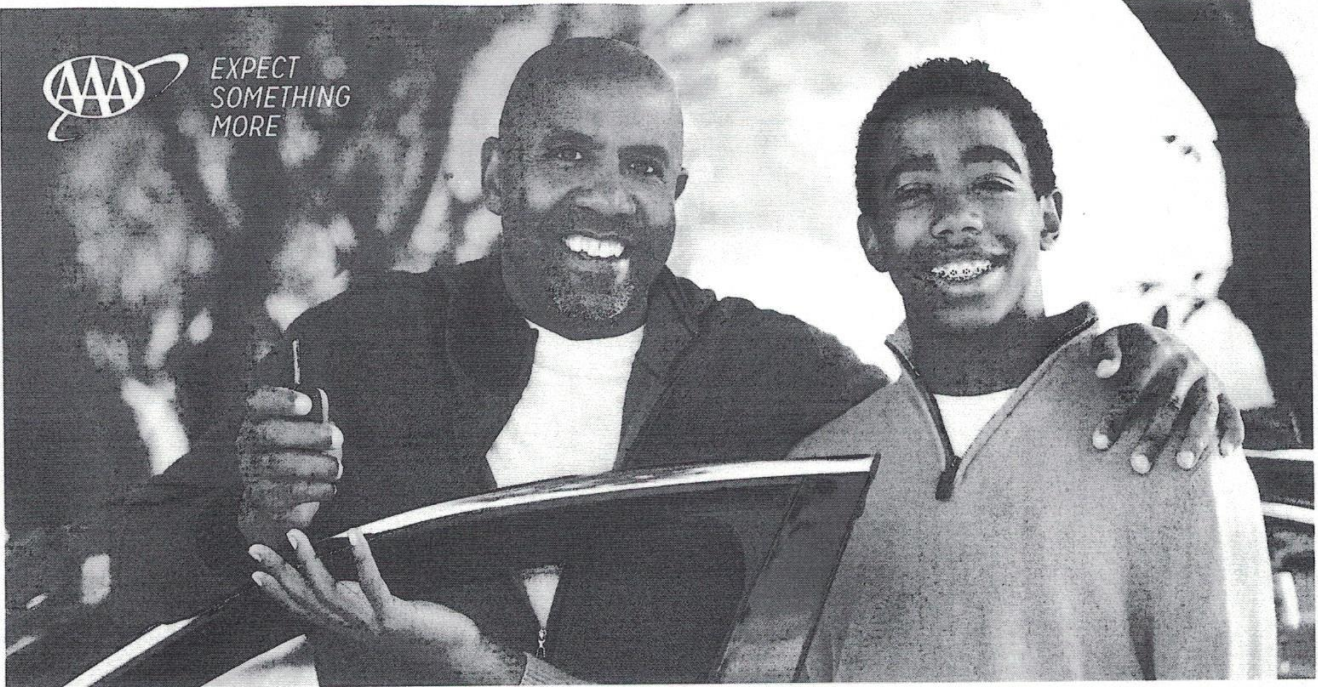


QUESTIONS?  
CALL  
(352) 873-7387  
EXT 202





EXPECT  
SOMETHING  
MORE



## FREE AAA MEMBERSHIP FOR YOUR TEEN WITH A LEARNERS PERMIT.\*

AAA strives to provide peace of mind for parents and extra security for teens.

### *Teens Will Enjoy These Great AAA Member Benefits:*

#### **AAA Roadside Assistance**

You can benefit from the confidence that AAA will help - day or night - to get your teen back on the road.

- Flat tire - changed on the spot with your spare
- Out of gas - we'll deliver fuel
- Locked out - we'll get them in
- Dead battery - we'll give them a jump or a tow

#### **Exclusive Savings Offers**

- Attraction ticket discounts
- Dining discounts
- Retail and online shopping discounts

#### **AAADrive™**

AAADrive™ lets you set parameters to help your teen drive within specific guidelines you establish. When they're behind the wheel, you'll receive alerts when chosen thresholds, such as speed, time of day and geographic boundaries have been exceeded.

**Brandi C. LaValley**  
Travel Consultant



**AAA Travel Agency**

5814 Seven Mile Drive, Suite 107, Wildwood, FL 34785

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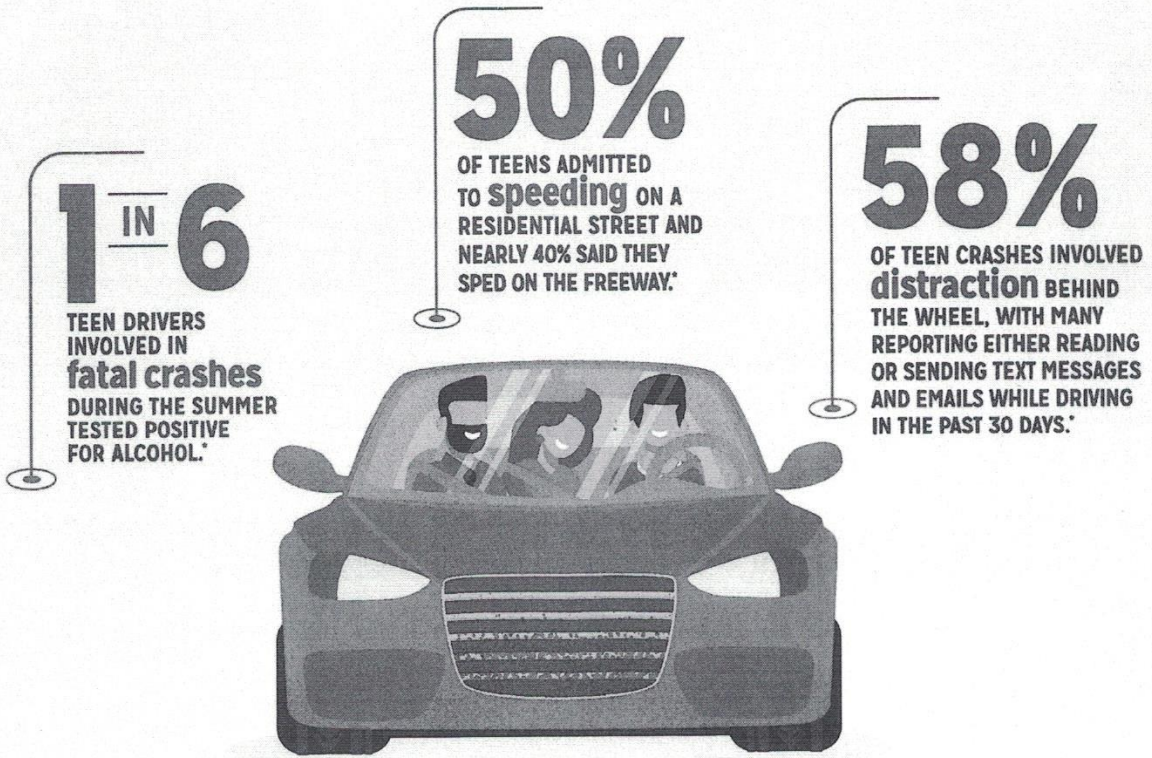
*Travel*

Roadside Assistance is provided by independent facilities contracted by AAA. Coverage in \*FREE membership is for Primary member's teen with a learner's permit. Membership expires on renewal date of. Upon activation and with proper identification, AAA will provide regular AAA services and full privileges for the new



EXPECT SOMETHING MORE™

# 100 DAYS OF SAFER DRIVING FOR TEENS



Summer break is always an exciting time for teens. But it can also be very dangerous as they begin to spend more and more time on the roadways.

**Over the past five years, nearly 3,500 people have been killed in crashes involving teen drivers during the 100 Deadliest Days of Summer, the period between Memorial Day and Labor Day.\***

As a result, nearly two-thirds of people injured or killed in a crash involving a teen driver are people other than the teen behind the wheel.

\*Source: Traffic Safety Culture Index - AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety

## Talk. Teach. Plan.

*To keep the roadways safer this summer, AAA encourages parents to:*



Speak with your teen early and often about driving responsibly and abstaining from dangerous behavior behind the wheel.



Teach by example. Drive just as carefully as you want your child to drive, and avoid risky behavior when you're in the driver's seat.



Emphasize that safe driving is smart driving by completing AAA's parent-teen driving agreement to set family rules for your teen driver.

*Visit [AAA.com/Teens](http://AAA.com/Teens) for more helpful tips and resources.*



Parents/guardians who are interested in going on Field Trips or future volunteer opportunities this year, please make sure to get your approval through the yearly application process here: <https://apps.raptortech.com/Apply/MTE2NTplbi1VUw==>

**Please remember this needs to be done every year, so even if you were a volunteer previously, please complete this application again for this school year's approval.** You will receive a confirmation email once you are approved. After you are approved, please verify whether your child's teacher needs volunteers and let them know you are interested for each opportunity, since there is often a limit on the number of volunteers. Multiple family members will not be allowed unless there is a need for more volunteers. Please remember as a volunteer you may be responsible for supervising children other than your own and school rules apply while off campus.

Safe Schools processes all volunteer applications. Please reach out to **Safe Schools** if you have a question about the volunteer application process or to check on the status of your volunteer application. If you have any questions about the application process, please contact the MCPS Safe Schools Department at 352-671-6963 or email your questions to [jeanna.pirkl@marion.k12.fl.us](mailto:jeanna.pirkl@marion.k12.fl.us).



# #ADVENTUREON!



Join Cub Scouts today at [beascout.org](https://beascout.org)



Pack 844 Marion Charter Cubbies -- Hosted by Marion Charter School  
meet every Wednesday at 6:00 pm in school cafeteria  
For more information please contact Ms. Hall at 352-299-3046  
or meet with her in aftercare in school cafeteria