



From the Desk of Dr. Amy:

April 22, 2021

- ❖ **PSSA Testing** – *Attention Parents/Guardians of Students in Grades 3, 4 and 5!* The 2021 Pennsylvania System of School Assessments (PSSA) for students in Grades 3, 4 and 5 will be administered following the schedule below. We begin testing each morning at approximately 8:30 am. Tests are considered untimed but will take approximately 40-80 minutes depending on the grade and test. Please be sure that students have a good night's rest and a healthy breakfast. Arrival on time for school is critical, the administration of these assessments is sequential, and classroom interruption cannot occur. Please avoid scheduling any doctor appointments, vacations, etc. during these testing dates. If it is absolutely necessary to schedule an appointment, please make them for the afternoon. If you have additional questions about PSSA testing, please read the attached "Frequently Asked Questions, Information for Parents or Guardians" in our flyer section. *We appreciate your efforts to have your child in attendance on all testing dates.*



| <b>Grades 3, 4 and 5:</b><br><b>English Language Arts (ELA)</b><br><b>Testing Schedule</b> | <b>Grade 3, 4, and 5:</b><br><b>Math Testing Schedule</b> | <b>Grade 4:</b><br><b>Science Testing Schedule</b> |
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| <b>Monday, May 10</b><br><b>Tuesday, May 11</b><br><b>Wednesday, May 12</b>                | <b>Monday May 17</b><br><b>Tuesday, May 18</b>            | <b>Thursday, May 20</b><br><b>Friday, May 21</b>   |

- ❖ **Kids Care Club:** Kids Care Club is hosting a Spring Sale from April 19-23 before morning announcements in the lobby area and during lunchtime outside of the cafeteria. The sale includes fun keychains, friendship bracelets, invisible pens, fidgets, and many other fun things. Everything is \$1.00 or less. **ALSO, Kids Care Club is hosting a school-wide PJ Day tomorrow, April 23 and asking for a \$1.00 donation to participate. Please see the flyer attached for more details.**

- ❖ **Camp Invention:** Summer is just around the corner! Seats are still available for Camp Invention. The In Person Program is filling, but there are spaces available. We will not be running the At-Home Program. Please refer to the [Camp Invention flyer](#) to learn more information.



Those enrolling in Camp Invention are required to complete the [health form](#) and [registration form](#) for the summer program. Contact Dr. Laurie Tocci with any questions you might have!  
412-492-6346

- ❖ **Outdoor Opportunities:** Whenever possible, the children have an opportunity for outside class or recess. It is important for them to be dressed appropriately. A jacket is helpful in case of windy or slightly chilly days. Your attention to these concerns will be appreciated.



- ❖ **2021-22 Kindergarten Students & Parents “Spring into Kindergarten” Wednesday, May 5th:** All incoming 2021-22 Kindergarten students and their parents are invited to attend Spring into Kindergarten. Parents will have an informational session on the screening process (DIAL 4 assessment). Incoming Kindergarten students will have a chance to meet teachers and make new friends. Please contact [Mrs. Murphy](#) if you have not received your Incoming Kindergarten Transition Information email to RSVP for this event!
- ❖ **Benchmark and Accelerated Math Testing:** At the end of every academic year, the elementary schools initiate the process of making roster and instructional decisions regarding placement of students in programs including math and/or reading support and Accelerated Math for the 2021-2022 school year. In an attempt to make effective instructional decisions, including enrichment, math acceleration, and remediation, we will be conducting a variety of assessments and data review during the month of May. Accelerated math testing and benchmark testing for reading and math will be administered. Students who have demonstrated a need beyond enrichment will be considered for testing for math acceleration. We will review all data so that we can determine the best instructional program for every student. Based on our data, if your child’s instructional program indicates a change for the upcoming school year, you will be contacted to discuss our recommendations.

Please note the accelerated math schedule is as follows:

- April 26 – Current Grade K (Grade 1 assessment)
- April 27 – Current Grades 1 and 3 Students (Grade 2 and 4 assessments)
- April 28 – Current Grade 2 Students (Grade 3 assessment)
- April 29 – Current Grades 4 and 5 (Grade 5 and 6 assessments)
- April 30 – All Central HOA grades

If you have any questions regarding testing please contact your child’s homeroom teacher.

- ❖ **Kennywood Ticket Sales:** Kennywood Tickets can still be purchased online at [www.kennywood.com/hampton](http://www.kennywood.com/hampton). Hampton’s Kennywood Day is June 24<sup>th</sup>. Come on out and join the fun! Please refer to the Community Flyers link for more details.



- ❖ **From the PTO:**
  - **Scholastic Online Book Fair:** Visit our Book Fair homepage [April 25 is the last day](#) for virtual shopping: <https://tinyurl.com/CentralBooks>. Also see the flyer for more information.
  - **Virtual Talent Show:** Calling ALL Central students! Show us your talent! Don’t miss the flyer for more information! [Final days to turn in 5<sup>th</sup> grade videos!](#)

## IMPORTANT DATES

- April 26..... Hiking Club Gr. 1 & 2 (3:15 - 4:15 pm)  
..... Mindfulness Club for Kids (Gr. 2-5) - @ Poff (3:30 - 4:30 pm)  
..... Girls on the Run (3:30 – 5:00 pm)  
..... School Board Special Meeting (if necessary) – HMS Library (7:00 pm)  
April 28..... Grade 4 Full Band Rehearsal (morning)  
..... Girls on the Run (3:30 - 5:00 pm)  
April 29..... Intramurals Gr. 3-5 (3:15 - 4:15 pm)

## UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

- May 5 ..... Spring into Kindergarten for 2021-2022 Incoming Kindergarten  
May 6 ..... PTO Meeting – Virtual (9:00 am)  
May 10-28 ..... PSSA testing  
May 19 & 20 ..... Field Days  
May 26-28 ..... Science Olympiad

## SCHOOL & COMMUNITY FLYERS

### School Flyers

- ✚ PSSA Information
- ✚ Kids Care Club Flyer
- ✚ Camp Invention
- ✚ PTO Talent Show
- ✚ PTO Scholastic Online Book Fair

### Community Flyers

- ✚ Hampton Band Spring Extravaganza
- ✚ Remake Learning Day
- ✚ Kennywood Ticket Sales
- ✚ JA Innovation Academy Flyer
- ✚ YMCA Daycare Information 2021-2022
- ✚ Hampton Basketball

