

April  
**NEWSLETTER**

### Upcoming Events

- 3/29-4/2- Spring Break
- 4/5-4/9- National School Library Week
- 4/7- Paraprofessional Appreciation Day
- 4/12- Shared Decision Meeting
- 4/14- National School Librarian Day
- 4/19-4/23- National Volunteer Week
- 4/21- Administrative Professionals' Day
- 4/22- Earth Day
- 4/26- Progress Report Cut-Off
- 4/28- Marco's Spirit Night
- 4/28- Progress Reports Issued
- 4/30- National Arbor Day
- 4/30- School Council Meeting

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### GMAS Testing Schedule

- 4/22-23: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Testing
- 4/26: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Testing
- 4/27- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Testing
  
- 4/28-29- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade ELA Testing
- 4/30- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Math Testing
  
- 5/3- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Testing
- 5/4- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Testing
- 5/5- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Testing



- BE Kind
- BE Engaged
- BE Responsible
- BE Safe



### Reminders

We now have refillable water stations, please send your student in with a water bottle each day so that they are able to use them!

# TUCKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Hello Tucker Families!

We hope that you all had a relaxing and fun spring break! With the end of school being near, we will be having a pretty busy month here at Tucker. Starting April 23<sup>rd</sup>, we will be having Georgia Milestones testing for our 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders. The schedule for testing is on the front of this newsletter. Please be sure to avoid scheduling any appointments during those days.

On April 12<sup>th</sup>, our Family Engagement Coordinator will be hosting a shared decision-making meeting via Zoom. The presentation will cover our Family Engagement program and we encourage all of our parents to attend!

We are going to be having a contest to see which hall can save the most water bottles by using the new filling stations. The winning hall will receive a popsicle party for all classes involved. We also have Tucker water bottles for sale for \$3!

If you have left “over the counter” medication at the school for your student, we ask that you come to the school to pick it up no later than May 12<sup>th</sup>!

We hope that you all have a wonderful month!

## What is GMAS and how can I help my student prepare?

The Georgia Milestones Assessment System is designed to provide information about how well students are mastering the state-adopted content standards in the core content areas of English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. We have also uploaded the GMAS presentation on our website at [TES.hcbe.net](https://www.tes.hcbe.net) under the Title One and Family Engagement tab.

The night before:

- **Relax!** There are a lot of good reasons NOT to study the night before test day. You shouldn't study for more than an hour on the day before you take the GMAS. Your brain needs to rest in order to do its best.
- **Avoid screen time.** You're going to need to get a good night's sleep, and bright screens (televisions, phones, movies) will wake up your brain and make it more difficult to drift off at an early hour.
- **Have a healthy dinner.** Drink lots of water and load up with complex carbohydrates, just like marathon runners do: potatoes, pasta, and rice are good choices here, as well as protein and vegetables.
- **GMAS Resources:**
- <https://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Pages/EOg-Study-Resource-Guides.aspx>
- <https://www.gaexperienceonline.com/>
- [https://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Pages/achievement\\_levels.aspx](https://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Pages/achievement_levels.aspx)