

THE FALCON FLYER

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<http://floralstreet.blogspot.com>

Dear Floral Street School Families,

We hope all of our Floral Street mothers had a wonderful Mother's Day yesterday – thank you for your ongoing support of your children. We are always thankful for your involvement and encouragement!

Things are beginning to get busy here at Floral Street (well, they always are, but May is a special time!). We return to MCAS testing this week with our third-grade students, and, with fourth-grade to follow the week after. A week from Friday also brings our fifth annual Floral Goes Green event to celebrate our environment and learn about sustainability. The end of the month will bring Field Days, and before we know it June will be upon us. Please support your child by continuing to reinforce the good work habits they have built up over the year – they're more important now than ever.

Finally, please join us in congratulating our Read-A-Thon winners:

Classroom: **Mrs. Ross'** class

Top-reading student overall... **Zachary Koester!**

Grade Four: **Akshay Desai, Harini Shanmugam, and Kayliegh Johnson**

Grade Three: **Aarshiya Sachdeva, Shakti Kumaresan, and Amneett Bagga**

Grade Two: **Cordelia Taverna, Ananya Jayamoorthy, and Ajay Alamuri**

Grade One: **Ernest Zhang, Morgan Koester, and Omer Hershkovitz**

Teachers: **Mrs. McGrail, Mrs. Bisceglia, and Mrs. Ross**

Congratulations to all the students and teachers! Thank you to parent **Patti Wolohan** for coordinating this fantastic event!

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Other Notes

Biking to School

Now that the weather is warm, we've had some questions about riding bikes to school. **Riding a bike to school is permitted for fourth-grade students only, with written parent permission** – please send a note to your child's teacher. Please also remember that if your child rides to school, a helmet is required and a bike lock is strongly encouraged.

PTO Notes

Saturday, June 11th at 6:30 pm, the 3rd Annual *Celebration in the Garden Party Benefiting Shrewsbury Public Schools* returns to the Fallon House, home of Jason and Heather Logrippio,

4 Prospect Street. All proceeds raised at this event are shared equally among all Shrewsbury Public Schools. Last year over \$25,000 was raised! Peter Blute will MC, and guests will be welcomed with a champagne reception before moving on to a wine/beer tasting sponsored by Austin Liquors. Delicious food catered by Struck, a local band headlined by Tim Pitney, a fabulous live and silent auction (tickets and back stage passes to the Def Leppard and Journey/Foreigner concerts this summer!), and more will make for a memorable summer evening. Tickets are \$50 per guest and checks made payable to: *Shrewsbury Public Schools Betterment Fund* can be sent to Hannah Kane, 32 Main Circle. For information or to register on-line, please visit:

http://www.shrewsburygardenparty.com/Shrewsbury_Garden_Party/Tickets.html

April Shower Calendar Winners

The winners from the April Shower Calendars are posted on the Floral Street School Website. Our **Grand Prize Winner** of **\$400.00** was Maria Figueiredo, with the winning ticket sold by Jessica Gillis. All checks are being processed and will be mailed shortly. **Thank you for your support!!**

Attention Fourth Grade Parents

Summer Academic Extension Opportunity

During four weeks over the summer, students who are currently in the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades will have an opportunity to participate in academic extensions at Sherwood Middle School. While the course offerings are in the process of being finalized, I wanted to share this information with you, as you make plans for the summer. These extension opportunities will be provided to any interested student who is seeking academically based, enrichment opportunities.

The course dates include the weeks of June 27th, July 11th, 18th, and 25th. Most, if not all of the courses, will be held in the air-conditioned, modular classrooms at SMS. The courses will be held **Mondays through Thursdays** and will consist of morning (8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.), afternoon (12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.), and full-day (8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.) sessions. Half-day offerings will cost \$72 for the four-day week and \$144 for the full-day week. Some of the course offerings include explorations into the areas of technology, geography, current events, astronomy, genealogy, mathematical exploration, eco-systems, summer reading and literacy development.

The Elementary Lunch Menu can be found at any time at:

<http://schools.shrewsbury-ma.gov/departments/division.php?fDD=20-17>

Important Dates:

May 24 th	4 th Grade Chorus Concert (Herring, Ralys/Yeager, Spangenberg)
May 25 th	4 th Grade Chorus Concert (Borraccino, Edgren, Richard)
May 26 th	4 th Grade Chorus Concert (Beall, Morgan, Ross)
	All concerts start at 7:00 pm
May 30 th	No School – Memorial Day
June 8 th	Incoming Grade 5 Student & Parent Open House @ SMS
June 16 th	Grade 4 Completion Ceremony
June 21 st	Last day of school (1/2 day)

MCAS Dates:

May 10th & 11th

Math – 3rd Grade

May 17th & 18th

Math – 4th Grade

The full district school calendar is available at:

http://schools.shrewsbury-ma.gov/egov/docs/1276871197_585906.pdf