

Perry Press

May 19, 2017

Matthew C Perry Elementary School Purpose Statement



The purpose of our school is to empower students to achieve excellence in scholarship, character, and citizenship through collaborative and independent lifelong learning in a global community.

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Upcoming Events:

Wednesday, May 24

- Kindergarten STEM Night at 5-6pm @cafeteria
- Math Fix solutions due

Friday, May 26

- Math Games event for Math Fix participants

Monday, May 29

- Memorial day—No School

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Parents,

The AdvancED visit went very well. The school received great reviews on our processes, academic programs, and delivery of instruction. I want to thank all the parents who took time to attend the AdvancED Town Hall. Thank you for your continued support.

Next School Year: we are getting ready for next school year and the opening of our new schools. I wanted to make you aware of some changes to the school calendar for next school year. In order to facilitate the transition for teachers we have set a tentative start date for students of 30 August 2017.

We are also working with MCCS youth programs to organize our Back to School Bash which is tentatively scheduled for the 25th of August 2017 in front of the new elementary schools. This will be an opportunity for students to enjoy some fun activities while parents are able to get information from organizations that provide services to our students in the community. Additionally, class lists will be posted at 1300 so parents and students can see their classroom assignments, and at 1400 parents and students will have the opportunity to visit their new classrooms. We look forward to seeing you there!

New School Tours: as of today we have not received the keys to the new schools. We will keep you informed so that we can arrange parent tours of our new school as soon as we have ownership of the new buildings.

Thank you for your support. If you have any concerns or suggestions, my door is always open.

Arturo Rivera Jr.
Principal
M.C. Perry Elementary School
DSN 253-4673



Nurse's Notes May/June, 2017

Summer is fast approaching along with the end of another school year.

Just some friendly reminders as we approach the end of the 2017 school year:

Please remember to stop by the nurse's office to pick up your child's medication *on the last day that your student will attend school*. **Medication that is not picked up will be discarded.**

If you are PCS'ing before the last day of the 2017 school year, please pick up your child's medication on his/her last day of school.

If you know that your child will require medications for the 2017/18 school year, please pick up the required forms for medication administration from the nurse's office prior to your child's last day of school.

All medication to be administered in school must be in a pharmacy-labeled container and have a physician-completed "Hold Harmless" form/written doctor's order. **This includes inhalers, EpiPens, oral medications, essential oils, and any over-the-counter medications, including medicated cough drops, which your child will need to have administered at school.** NO medications can be given by the school nurse without a written doctor's order. **A new doctor's order is required at the start of each school year.**

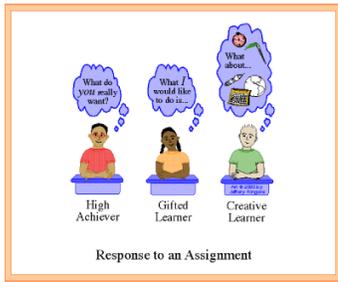
A friendly reminder to parents who registered their children for K5 during the Kindergarten Round Up in March: if you were notified that your child has incomplete immunizations, an updated immunization record showing that those immunizations were completed must be turned in to the school nurse by September 1, 2017.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 253-5903.

Have a safe, relaxing, enjoyable summer!

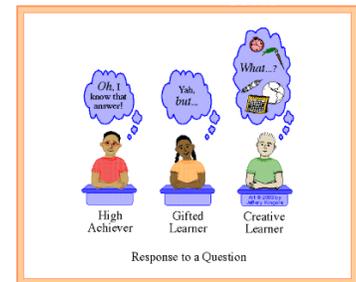
Nurse McCoy

Deborah E. McCoy RN CES
School Nurse
MC Perry Elementary School



Gifted Education News Corner Based on Guidelines Put in Place by DoDEA S. Eason/Gifted Resource Teacher DoDEA

Issue 5



Wow! The school year is almost over. During the 2016-2017 school year eligible gifted students and those receiving enrichment services had an amazing experience. Students were given several opportunities to explore their interest through research, discovery type activities and inventions, while traveling around the world studying different cultures using an array of online learning experiences. It is with these accomplishments in mind that careful planning for next year's gifted program is undergoing a few and exciting changes.

Listed below is one the exciting changes. Here is the contact information for the gifted educational programs teachers at M. C. Perry Elementary, Iwakuni Elementary, and Iwakuni Middle Schools.

Gifted Resource Teachers Contact Information for School Year 2017-2018

M. C. Perry Elementary School, Grades K-2

Miss Sharon Eason
sharon.eason@pac.dodea.edu

Iwakuni Elementary School Grades 3-5

Mrs. Anne Woodley
anne.woodley@pac.dodea.edu

Iwakuni Middle School/ Perry High School Grades 6-8

Mr. Matthew Barker
matthew.barker@pac.dodea.edu

The middle school contact may change in the future.

No information for the 2017-2018 gifted programs at either school is available at the present time. Because of the changes for the up coming school year, please wait until September to contact the school's gifted department.

Summer Fun Activities for the Entire Family

◇ **BUDGETING FOR THE VACATION:**

Skills used: Math, realistic understanding of the "real cost" of experiences, food, gas, etc.

◇ **BECOMING A CHEF:**

Becoming chefs for a day or week. Help children to plan a menu for a meal. They learn how to combine flavors, the fundamentals of food chemistry, and how to combine food ingredients. They can also create a restaurant-style menu by collecting samples and designing their own.

◇ **VOLUNTEERING:**

Most children are born enthusiasts of animals and nature. By volunteering with their children—walking dogs, visiting a cat shelter, or removing invasive plants at a nature center—parents help them learn how to care for animals and plants. Children can also learn about the biology of different animals and the ecological system of local forests and water systems.

◇ **Studios or After-School Programs**

Studios and after-school workshops offer classes in the arts and other subjects. For ELLs, volunteers who speak their language, often parents can act as translators. For gifted children from other countries, an art studio or computer lab can be a quiet place where they can imagine and invent.

Fun Websites

◇ **Discovery Education**

<http://school.discoveryeducation.com/brainboosters/>
Brain Boosters

These are great, quick logic problems to challenge the critical thinking skills of the gifted students in the classroom.

◇ **The Grey Labyrinth**

<http://www.greylabyrinth.com/puzzles>
Puzzles

This site has great puzzles for students. They can explore the site on their own and complete the puzzle for some brain challenges.

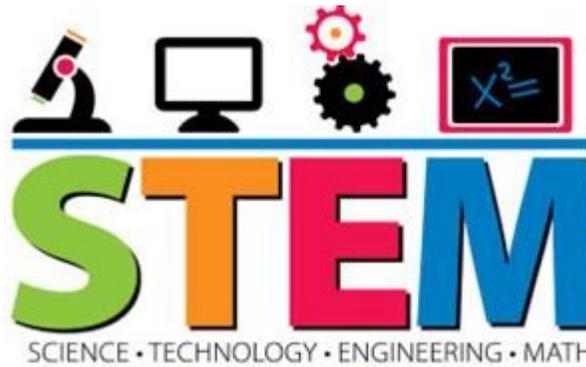
◇ **Poetry 4 Kids**

<http://www.poetry4kids.com>
Poems and Language-Related Enrichment

This website is great for students who love language and poetry. There are tons of illustrated poems, including funny poems, which might particularly interest the gifted students. Besides just having poems, there are language games, videos, and more.



Have a great and enjoyable summer!



Kindergarten STEM Night

When: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 from 5-6pm

Where: school cafeteria



FREE!!!

How high can you design a tower using only sticks, cubes, and cups ?



An hour of fun, hands-on, activity integrating science, technology, engineering, (art) and mathematics geared toward Kindergarten students and their families!



Matthew C. Perry Elementary School



Monday, June 5, 2017

Sure Start: 9 – 10:45

Kindergarten – 2nd Grade: 8:15 - 10:15

3rd Grade – 6th Grade: 12:15 – 2:15

Field Day Coordinators

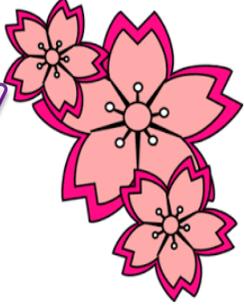
The Fifth Grade Students

Mrs. Prindle – anna.prindle@pac.dodea.edu

Mrs. Goodwin – morgan.goodwin@pac.dodea.edu



Matthew C. Perry Elementary



Music Department presents:

A



Spring

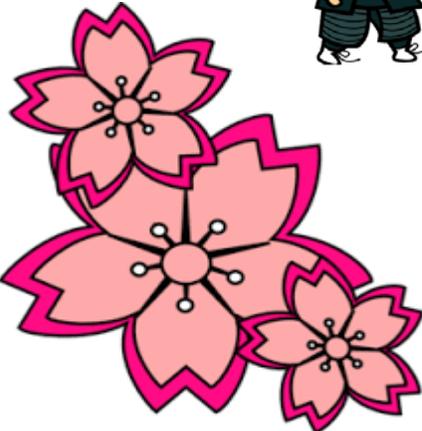
Music Showcase



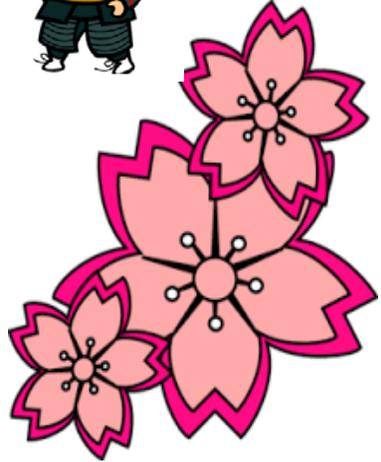
JUNE 1, 2017

PERRY ES GYM

0815-0930



FEATURING:
SAMURAI ELEMENTARY BAND
SAMURAI ELEMENTARY VOICES
VARIOUS GRADE LEVELS
& MORE





Parents,

Please take time to read this article about summer reading loss. Sign up at our base library for the summer reading program.

Happy Reading,

Teena Livengood

Literacy Support Specialist

Helping to Prevent Summer Reading Loss

By Julie M. Wood, Ed.D.

Once upon a time, in a world before the Internet, smart phones and other wireless devices, there were books. And you'd go to the library all summer long and check out seven or eight at a time. You'd head for a shady spot under a tree, or a hammock if you were really lucky, and devour all sorts of books, from *The Borrowers*, to *Mary Poppins*, to *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*.

As parents, one of our major roles is to make sure that children set aside time every day to read - to read for pleasure, for information, for the vicarious thrill of living in an imaginary world. Why is this so important?

- Children need to engage with books every day so they can maintain, and ideally strengthen, all the literacy skills they learned during the previous school year. Assistant Principal Twana Santana-Embry compares reading to exercising, telling her students that any time they read they are "strengthening their reading muscles."
- **The stakes for children who do not read over summer vacation are high. Substantial research on this topic shows it's usually the students who can least afford to lose ground as readers who are most likely to suffer from summer reading loss and fall far behind their peers.**
- The few months of loss in reading skills compounds over the years; by the time children reach middle school, those who haven't read during the summers may have lost as much as two years' worth of achievement.

The good news is that if children read just six books over summer vacation, they will likely avoid summer reading loss.

Here are a few ideas for reaching--and going beyond--this six book goal:

- Take books with you and your child everywhere you go; to the doctor's office, on picnics, on road trips, etc.
- Let your child choose the books she wants to read (as long as they're age-appropriate and are written at the *just right* level of difficulty).
- Support his reading experience by talking about the books and helping him understand and interpret what he reads.
- Read aloud to your child, even if he can read on his own. It helps build vocabulary and listening comprehension skills.

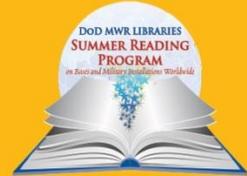
- As you're reading aloud, be sure to interact with your child by asking what she thinks might happen next, what a certain character is likely to do, whether the story is real or make-believe, and so forth. Above all, have fun!
- If you are more comfortable reading to your child in a language other than English, by all means do so. What your child learns in his or her native language will help create a bridge to learning English.
- Encourage your child to participate in a summer reading program.
- In addition to reading books, children can practice their reading skills by engaging in many different online reading experiences. Literacy-building sites such as [PBS KIDS Island](#) for children ages 3-5, and the [Great Word Quest](#) for ages 6-8 (both of which are free) are great examples.

I truly believe that encouraging your child to continue flexing his or her reading muscles over summer vacation is the single most important thing you can do to help develop literacy.

PREVENT SUMMER SLIDE



Children who don't read during the summer can lose up to **two months** of learning by the time they return to school in the fall.



43rd Yamaguchi Boys and Girls International Camp

The objective of this camp is to have M C Perry's and Japanese Elementary School Students to exchange cultures, learn the language, and mingle with each other in hopes of creating a useful experience that will help them achieve future goals and thrive.

DATE : 8/8/2017 – 8/10/2017

OBJECT : 5 or 6 (at most 10) Elementary students

COST : FREE

PLACE : Migou no oka (1184 Shukui,Tabuse-cho,Kumage-gun,Yamaguchi-ken)

SPONSOR : Asu no Yamaguchi o Tsukuru Kenminkaigi Mr. Maruyama / 0820-52-0552

CONTACT : Mayu Kawamoto 253-3327 (ES Office)

DEADLINE : 6/30/2017

- They will come pick the kids up at close station or some place near base.

	8/8 (tue)	8/9 (wed)	8/10 (thu)
morning		cook breakfast sport tournament	cook breakfast
afternoon	14:00 gather (meeting)	cook lunch	cook lunch
	14:30 opening ceremony	exchange meeting	13:30 closing ceremony
	group activity	cook dinner	15:00 end(break up)
	cook dinner	camp fire	

* They will give us more information once we get participators.

2017 PACIFIC SOUTH & EAST HAIKU CONTEST WINNERS

Winner: Grades 3-5

Our nation's freedom
Paid by those who fight for it
They are our heroes

Bella Walters

Perry Elementary School

4th grade



Winner: Staff

The echo of taps
A proud family stands weeping
Soldiers lost at war

Cynthia Forwalder

Perry Elementary School

2017 Runner-Up

The great gleaming flag
Fluttering through the soft breeze
Showing our freedom

Cassandra Apuya

4th, Perry ES

MAY

Special Announcements

JAPAN- ELEMENTARY (K-6)
SURE-START (Bold & underlined)

NATIONAL TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
MAY 1-5TH – THANK YOU TEACHERS FOR ALL YOU DO FOR OUR STUDENTS!

5TH – SCHOOL LUNCH HERO DAY & CINCO DE MAYO:

<http://www.schoollunchheroday.com/>



ANNUAL STUDENT ART CONTEST
IS ENDING THIS MONTH SO GET YOUR SUBMISSIONS IN!
CHECK OUT SQUAREMEALS.ORG/ARTCONTEST FOR MORE DETAILS.

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

1
Chicken Nuggets
Cheese Breadsticks/
Marinara Sauce (V)
Chicken Caesar Salad/CROUTONS
Fresh Carrot/Broccoli Florets
Mashed Potatoes
Dinner Roll
Peach Slices or Peach Crisp
Milk, Asst

2
Ham & Egg Taco
Tomato Salsa
OR
Beef Sausage Patty (2) & Cinnamon Toast
OR
Chef Salad/Zucchini Bread
Deli Roasters
Mandarin Oranges
Milk, Asst

3
Chicken Fryz/ Garlic Toast
Spaghetti & Marinara/Cheese Breadstick
Mandarin Chicken Salad W/Crispy Noodles
Cucumber Salad
Seasoned WK Corn
Farm Fresh Fruit, Asst
Milk, Asst

4
Cheese Hamburger
Three-Bean Chili/Combread (V)
Cranberry-Chicken Salad
W/Carrot Bread
Oven Baked Fries
Steamed Sugar Snap Peas
Fresh Lettuce/Tomato Salad
Peach/Grapes Cup
Milk, Asst

5
Crunchy Fish Wedge
Macaroni & Cheese Pasta (V)
Chef Salad/Zucchini Bread
Fresh Lettuce/Tomato Salad
Macaroni & Cheese Side
Seasoned Peas/Carrots
Harvest Fruit Cup
Zucchini Bread (Treat)
Milk, Asst

8
Pepperoni Pizza
Cheese Veggie Pizza (V)
Cobb Salad/Carrot Bread
Garden Side Salad
Seasoned Whole Kernel Corn
Cinnamon Applesauce
Milk, Asst

9
Hunan Chicken
Veggie Eggrolls
W/ Sunflower SC (V)
Seasoned Brown Rice
Grilled Ham & Cheese Croissant
Steamed Kyoto Vegetables
Lettuce/Tomato Salad
Peach Slices
Milk, Asst

10
Beef Tacos
Cheese Quesadilla
Chicken Salad Sandwich
Three Amigo Beans
Lettuce/Tomato Salad
Pineapple Tidbits
Zucchini Bread (Treat)
Milk, Asst

11
Chicken Alfredo Pasta
Grilled Cheese Sandwich (V)
Southwest Chicken Salad/ w/ Corn Chips/Combread
Seasoned Green Beans
Fresh Carrot/Celery Dippers
Apple Slices or Apple Crisp
Milk, Asst

12
Fish/Cheese
Sub Bun Sandwich
Philly Chs Steak on Sub Bun
Greek Salad w/ Zucchini Bread (V)
Sweet Potato Wedge
Coleslaw
Peach/Banana Cup
Milk, Asst

15
Spicy Beef Wrap
Cheese Breadsticks w/ Marinara Sauce (V)
Chicken Caesar Salad/Crouton/Croissant
Fresh Carrot/Broccoli Florets
Peach Slices or Applesauce Crisp
Milk, Asst

16
Gen Tso's Beef Broccoli/ Rice Bowl
Spicy Three Beans/Rice Taco Bowl (V)
Tuna Salad Sandwich
Seasoned Corn
Carrot/Celery Dippers
Rainbow Fruit Cup
Milk, Asst

17
Beef Spaghetti & Marinara Sc/ Garlic Toast
Spaghetti & Marinara Sc/ Cheese Breadstick (V)
Mandarin Chicken Salad W/Crispy Noodles
Seasoned Broccoli Florets
Cucumber Salad
Farm Fresh Fruit
Milk, Asst

18
Grilled Chicken Burger
Three-Bean Chili Nachos/ Combread (V)
Cranberry-Chicken Salad
W/Carrot Bread
Oven Baked Fries
Steamed Sugar Snap Peas
Fresh Lettuce/Tomato Salad
Peach/Grapes Cup
Milk, Asst

19
Fish/Cheese Po Boy
Macaroni & Cheese Pasta
Chef Salad/Zucchini Bread (V)
Lettuce & Tomato Salad
Honey Glazed Carrots
Mac & Cheese side
Harvest Fruit Cup
Milk, Asst

22
Pepperoni Pizza
Cheese Veggie Pizza (V)
Cobb Salad/Carrot Bread
Fresh Garden Side Salad
Seasoned Whole Kernel Corn
Apple Slices/ Apple Crisp
Milk, Asst

23
Sunny Thai Chicken & Veg
Veggie Eggrolls
W/ Sunflower SC (V)
Grilled Ham & Cheese Croissant
Steamed Kyoto Vegetables
Lettuce/Tomato Salad
Mandarin Oranges
Milk, Asst

24
Beef/Cheese Taco
Cheese Quesadilla (V)
Chicken Salad Sandwich
Fresh Lettuce/Tomato Salad
Ranchero Beans
Pineapple Tidbits
Zucchini Bread (Treat)
Milk, Asst

25
Chicken Parmesan/Combread
Grilled Cheese Sandwich (V)
Southwest Chicken Salad/ Combread
Fresh Carrot/Celery Dippers
Seasoned Green Beans
Cinnamon Apple Slices
Milk, Asst

26
Fish/Cheese Po Boy
Philly Cheese Stk on Sub Bun
Greek Slid (V)/Garlic Toast
Seasoned Green Beans
Coleslaw
Peach/Banana Cup
Milk, Asst

29
MEMORIAL DAY
(School Holiday)

30
Gen Tso's Beef Broccoli/ Rice Bowl
Spicy Three Beans/Rice Bowl (V)
Tuna Salad Sandwich
Seasoned Broccoli Florets
Carrot/Celery Dippers
Rainbow Fruit Cup
Milk, Asst

31
Chicken Fryz/ Garlic Toast
Spaghetti & Marinara/Cheese Breadstick
Mandarin Chicken Salad
W/Carrot Bread
Cucumber Salad
Oven Fries
Farm Fresh Fruit, Asst
Milk, Asst

Good Eats At:



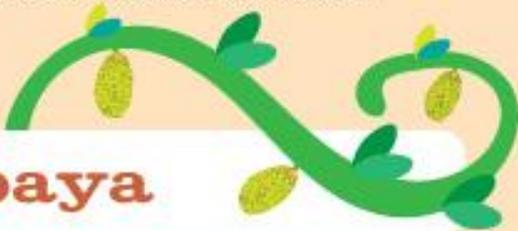
- Daily Fresh Fruit & Choice of non-fat milk
- Menus subject to change based on product

Squash

Squash! Squash grow above the ground on vines and are in the same family as pumpkins. The most popular types of squash you see in the grocery stores are named after their growing seasons, summer and winter. The entire squash is edible: the outside skin, inside flesh and the seeds.

Vitamin A: One of the main nutritional benefits of squash is its serving of vitamin A. Your eyes use vitamin A to see at night and recognize colors.

Growing Regions: East Texas, Rio Grande Valley and Winter Garden



Papaya

Even though papayas look like melons they are actually classified as berries and grow on giant herb type plants, not trees. These plants can reach up to 30 feet in height if the trunk is straight and healthy. In addition to the sweet orange centers, the seeds of a papaya can be eaten and have a spicy, peppery taste.

Vitamin C: Papaya's are great source of vitamin C. Your body needs vitamin C to grow and repair tissues in your skin and muscles

Growing Region: Rio Grande Valley



HEALTHY SUMMER MEALS FOR KIDS
No Cost For Kids 18 and Younger

Visit: SquareMeals.org/SeasonalityWheel

MESSAGE DECODER

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				Z - 26

Did You Know?

The English word "squash" comes from a Native American word, askutasquash, which means "eaten raw or uncooked."

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used squash as a valuable food source to survive the harsh winters.

Joke of the Month

Q. What instrument does the squash love to play?
see answer below.



Growing Regions



Joke Answer: An a-squash-an
Message: Native American