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# ROOT WORD

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*The Leadership program at Root is based on the belief that every child needs to develop leadership skills for success in life. Using the principles of Stephen Covey and Baldrige criteria, students set personal and academic goals, learn social etiquette and develop communication and presentation skills. To "prepare all students to lead" the principles of Dr. Stephen R. Covey, internationally renowned consultant and author of the 7 HABITS OF HIGHLY EFFECTIVE PEOPLE and FIRST THINGS FIRST, are embedded in the school's culture and guide the student, faculty and staff in building the leadership model. In addition, as part of a collaboration with the PTA, community members and families are given the opportunity through seminars to learn about and apply these principles.*

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DEAR ALDERT ROOT FAMILIES,

Now that we have settled down in the new building, we will be making some changes to dismissal. Starting Monday, parents will be able to park and pick up their children before carpool starts. The process will be as follows:

- Parents park and sign out their children at the front office if it is before 3:15. Parents will not be able to sign out their children after 3:15. They must wait until dismissal begins.
- From 3:15-3:30, Parents may park on Hertford and enter the lobby of the school. There they sign in on a clipboard. Afterwards parents will need to wait outside under the overhang for their students to be called. Parents who arrive after 3:30 need to go through the carpool line.
- Ms. Navarro will take the list of students to the gym and call your students at 3:40.
- Please quickly walk your children to your car so as not to impede carpool.

Starting Monday, March 23rd, there will be a fully certified service dog at Root. The dog will be brushed down each morning before he goes to school, and will have a jacket that will indicate that

he is a service dog. Please discuss with your child that this dog is working and NOT a pet. Therefore, as tempting as it might be, nobody is allowed to pet him.

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Wax Museum was this past Wednesday in the gym. Students did a wonderful job of portraying historical figures.

The following students placed at First in Fitness: 4<sup>th</sup> place (Mile Run) Anneka Pace; 2<sup>nd</sup> place (Shuttle Run) Terrell Johnson; 1<sup>st</sup> place (Speed Rope) Anna M. Galardi. Congratulations to these students and *all the children who participated in first in fitness.*

Ms. Cook's class met their goal for following behavioral expectations and has earned a reward and recognition. Great work boys and girls! Have a wonderful week!

*-Drew Ware*

## Boys & Girls Basketball Camp @ BHS Anyone?

June 14-18 Session 1; 8yo – 12 yo (9a to 3p)  
June 21-25 Session 2; 10yo – 16 yo (9a to 3p)  
June 28-July 2 Session 3; 10yo – 16yo (9a to 3p)

\*Please contact Coach Jeff Ferrell for more information at 919-856-7848

<http://www.broughtonathletics.com/index-sd.html>



## CHARACTER EDUCATION

During the month of March we celebrated the character trait self discipline. Gertrude Ederle was the historical figure we studied. She was the first woman to swim across the English Channel! Thanks to our readers:

**Rebecca Bennett  
Leigh Magee  
Holly Yancey  
Emily Joyner  
Mary Vann Roberson**





## Calling all rising Kindergartners!!

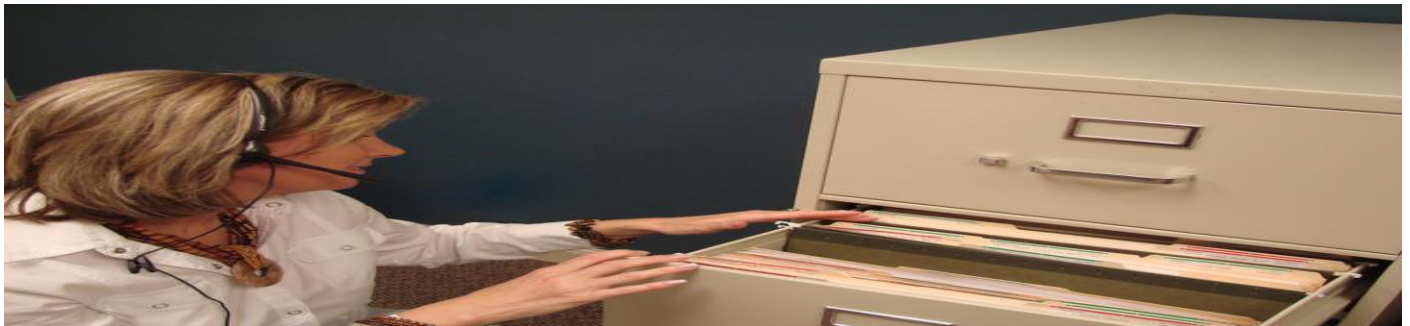
**Do you have a rising kindergartner? Do you have a neighbor with a rising kindergartner? We need you to register as soon as possible. For planning purposes, please register or encourage others to register.**

According to WCPSS, in order to attend kindergarten, **children must be 5 years old on or before August 31** of the current school year. In accordance with state law, gifted children who are age 4 by April 16 also will be considered for admission. If you have questions after reviewing the online material, call 919-850-1854.

Kindergarten enrollment for the **2010-2011 school year begins February 4, 2010**. Nearly all parents choose to enroll their 5-year-olds in kindergarten even though the state does not require children to be enrolled in school until the age of 7. Wake County offers a full-day program.

To register your child, please go to your child's base school. If you need information about the base school assignment, contact the Office of Student Assignment at (919) 850-1921.

Would you like to help our teachers and staff for a few hours?



The Office Guild needs help on Wednesday mornings. The Office Guild makes copies and other small jobs for teachers. If you have an hour or two every other Wednesday morning, please contact Lyne Dempster at [lynedempster@yahoo.com](mailto:lynedempster@yahoo.com).

**SOME PHOTOS FROM OUR FABULOUS WAX MUSEUM LAST WEEK. FANTASTIC JOB THIRD GRADE STUDENTS!**











# ALDERT ROOT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION:

## Staff Birthdays:

**March 30 - Kathy Johnson**  
**April 3 - Carol Smith**  
**April 4 - Sandy Wasserman**  
**April 5 - Wanda Bridgers**  
**April 5 - Sherri Lee**



## Dates to Remember:

March 23 School Wide Performance  
March 24 PTA Exe. Board Mtg.  
March 29 Snow Make Up Day  
**March 30-April 5 SPRING BREAK**  
May 20 McTeacher Night @ Cameron Village

## REMINDERS:

**Our School Store is  
OPEN FOR BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY  
MORNINGS!**



**DO NOT FORGET ABOUT LOST &  
FOUND**



## **WHERE SHOULD I BEGIN CARPOOL?**



The front spots in carpool line **are reserved** for the lucky parents that won parking spaces at the Rootin Tootin Silent Auction. These spaces rose over \$1000 for the PTA and our children. *Please make sure to start regular carpool line by the flagpole at the front of the school.* We can't wait to see who will be the lucky winners at our next Rootin Tootin Silent Auction. Thanks.

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- **Grades** - k - 5
- **2009-10 Bell Schedule** - 9:05 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.
- **2009-10 Enrollment** - 476

