



Aldert Root Elementary

Root Word Newsletter

Mark your Calendars!

May 27 Holiday

May 29 – June 4 EOG Testing

Girls on the Run – Site Coordinator Needed

Girls on the Run hopes to be back in the fall with new programming for Root 3rd, 4th and 5th grade girls! This is a wildly popular national organization that promotes leadership, compassion and spirit through running and camaraderie. Practices are held after school Tuesdays and Thursdays, and the program culminates in December with a service project and a 5K race. The girls love it! To bring GOTR back to Root, we need a site coordinator to liaise with GOTR of the Triangle and two coaches.

Please contact Shannon Cassell for more information about GOTR at Root: shannonjohn27@hotmail.com.

<https://www.gotrtriangle.org/>

GIFTCROWD IS BACK!

The PTA is utilizing GiftCrowd again to make end-of-year gifts easy for you to give and a joy for our teachers and staff to receive! This online tool allows parents to give monetary amounts to teachers and staff who will then use the money to purchase gift cards, choosing from thousands of stores and brands.

The deadline to purchase gifts is June 10th. Staff will open their gifts the morning of June 11th. Let's give our teachers and staff the thank you they deserve!

Click [HERE](#) to purchase your **end-of-year** teacher gifts!

1. To join a gift, click the Join button next to the gift you would like to join
2. Type in the name as you want it to appear and the email where you want to get notified
3. Feel free to design your greeting
4. Enter your credit card information. You can choose to keep it for future purchases which will save you time if you plan to join more than one gift
5. Once you are done you will receive a confirmation email. You will also be notified when the gift is sent and when the gift recipient opens it

If you have any questions, please contact GiftCrowd at contact@giftcrowd.com.

The site works best on a laptop instead of a phone, although you can access the tool on your phone.

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Summer Music Camps

Musical S.T.E.M. Summer Camp

Slime?? Quicksand?? Banana Pianos?? Join us for a week-long Musical S.T.E.M. summer camp that will inspire students to discover the harmony between music and science! Complete fun (and sometimes messy) experiments, and build musical instruments. Piano lessons and cool songs that go with the science lesson for Beginners - Level IV. Five camp days, 3 hours per day. Early drop-off available and extended day available. For ages 7-11.

Summer Challenge Camp (Rising 2nd Grade and Up)

If you want to learn piano or try your hand at songwriting, this camp is for you! For beginners and non-beginners, this small group camp is an accelerated track to make as much progress as possible in a short period of time—equivalent to more than two months of lessons! Each camp day will have 2.5 hours of individualized instruction, supervised practice, and fun off-the-bench activities. Four camp days. Rising 2nd graders and up.

Blast Off with Piano Camp (Rising K-1)

Learn some basics of rhythm and music, complete fun off-the-bench activities, and learn to play enjoyable songs in an ensemble. The week-long small group class will culminate with a short “recital” on the last day. Five camp days, 60 minutes per day. Rising K and 1st Graders.

Learn more by visiting <https://www.facebook.com/JenniferPaschalMusic> or contact jennifer@jennifer-paschal.com.

Root Word Submissions

If you would like to submit information to the Root Word, please visit the Root Homepage or click here for an [online submission form](#). Submissions are due by **FRIDAY** of each week in order to be included in the following Monday’s Root Word.

Mr. Clark's Robo Call Process

If you have something you want Mr. Clark to add to his weekly robo call, please email him at bclark2@wcpss.net by Sunday night. You need to email him EXACTLY what you want him to say. He will include it in his Monday robo call.



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