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(Answered 7:30 am - 3:15 pm)  
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**Administration**  
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**Important Numbers**  
Guidance, 772-564-5122  
Attendance, 772-564-5123

**February Events**

Feb. 1 - Academic Games @ FLC

Feb. 1 - Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:00p – 5:00p

Feb. 2 - Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:00p – 8:30p

Feb. 3 – No School

Feb. 4 - Band FBA Solo & Ensemble MPA at Lincoln Park Academy

Feb. 6 – 10 Scholastic Book Fair in Media Center

Feb. 8 - Academic Games @ FLC

Feb.9 - Honor Roll Assembly

Feb. 10 - Valentine Day's Dance in gym from 5:30 p. -8:00 p.

Feb. 15 - Academic Games @ FLC

Feb. 15 – District Spelling Bee @ SRHS Aud. 6:00p.

Feb. 20 - Presidents' Day No School

Feb. 27- SAC Meeting in Media Center @ 3:45 pm

Feb. 28 – FCAT Writes

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Dear Parents,

Time flies when you're having fun! We are well into the second semester and February and March are very busy months for our teachers as FCAT testing is approaching quickly. Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will take the FCAT Writes on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure your student is well rested, eats a healthy breakfast and arrives to school on time. All students will take the FCAT Reading and Math test April 16-27. Please do not plan any trips or vacations during the testing dates. It is important for every child to take the FCAT tests. Each student's achievement level has an impact on their course schedule. FCAT explorer is an excellent resource to prepare at [www.FCATExplorer.com](http://www.FCATExplorer.com). We also offer tutoring after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays for assistance with reading and math skills as well as help with homework assignments. After school busing is provided to assist students who require transportation.

Parent Conferences are February 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>. Conferences can be scheduled online at [www.srms-indian-river.org/conferences](http://www.srms-indian-river.org/conferences) or you can call Mrs. Hawkins at 564-5122 in guidance for assistance.

Congratulations to Ms. Shameka McCombs on being selected as the 2012 Teacher of the Year for SRMS. Also, congratulations to Mrs. Esperanza Gomez, School Custodian on being selected as the Employee of the Year for 2012. Both of these ladies give many hours to the benefit of the students and staff at SRMS. They are awesome examples of the faculty and staff we have at SRMS.

2012 Out of Field Course/ESOL

February 2, 2012

Included in this newsletter/memo is a list of teachers or long-term substitute teachers at Sebastian River Middle School who have been reported as teaching out-of-field (as required in Section 1012.42 F.S.), who may not meet the federal highly qualified requirement for the 2011-12 school year, or who have not met the State ESOL requirements. This means that, while the teacher is either fully certified or completing state certification or federal requirements, all or part of his/her current teaching assignment is not included in that certification. Teachers who are teaching out-of-field or who are not highly qualified are also required to pass the appropriate subject area exam. Out-of-field teachers must complete six semester hours of course work each year until they complete the required certification or until their assignment changes. Should you have any questions about these requirements, please call Denise Roberts, Executive Director of Human Resources (772-564-3071) or Phyllis McIntyre, Certification Analyst (772-564-3116).

**Teacher**

Greenway, Brooks  
Inghram, Janet  
Phillips, Carin  
Phillips, Tauna  
Swanson, Regenia  
Turbitt, John

**Subject/Highly Qualified**

ESOL  
Advanced Acad. (6-8)  
Math 2/HQT  
Lang. Arts 2, 3/HQT  
Reading (6-8)/HQT  
ESOL

En este memorándum se anexa la lista de los maestros en la Escuela Primaria de Sebastian River Middle School que han sido reportados enseñando fuera de área (como lo requiere la sección 101.42 F.S.), o los cuales posiblemente no cubran los requisitos federales de altamente calificado para el periodo escolar de 2011-12, o que no han cubierto los requisitos del estado en el área de ESOL. Esto significa que mientras el maestro (a) está completamente certificado/a o completando los requerimientos de certificación del estado, todas o parte de sus áreas de instrucción actual no están incluidas en esa certificación. A los maestros (as) que están enseñando fuera de área o que no son altamente calificados se les requiere que pasen el examen de la asignatura del área apropiada. Los maestros (as) que están enseñando fuera de área tienen que completar seis horas semestrales de cursos al año hasta que completen la certificación requerida o hasta que cambien sus asignaturas. Si usted tiene alguna pregunta acerca de estos requerimientos, por favor llame a Denise Roberts, Ejecutiva Directora de Recursos Humanos (772-564-3071) o Phyllis McIntyre, Analista de Certificación (772-564-3116).

<u>Maestro (a)</u>	<u>Fuera de Área en</u>
Greenway, Brooks	ESOL
Inghram, Janet	Advanced Acad. (6-8)
Phillips, Carin	Math 2/HQT
Phillips, Tauna	Lang. Arts 2, 3/HQT
Swanson, Regenia	Reading (6-8)/HQT
Turbitt, John	ESOL

**Attendance**

When calling your child out sick, it is imperative that you have his/her ID#. You will need this information in order for the attendance line to pick up your child’s absence. If you do not know your child’s ID#, feel free to call the school (564-5111) and someone will be happy to provide you with that information. The attendance line is open 24 hours /7 days per week.

**STUDENTS:** There are only two weeks left to order your yearbook at the price of \$35.00. There are two easy ways to order: 1) Use the order form which you received in 4<sup>th</sup> period and mail your order to Lifetouch. Additional order forms are in the front office. 2) Log on to the SRMS website and look for the link to ybpay.lifetouch.com to place your order on line. Order now and reserve your copy of SRMS memories.

## STUDENT ACCOLADES

**MEDIA CENTER:** Several students have overdue books. Please return them to the M.C. if you are finished or stop by and renew them ASAP. The top AR students as of January 10 are:

<u>SRMS Students</u>	<u>Total Pts.</u>
Roland Crawford	666
Peyton Roux	569
Sarah Nichols	482.9
Danny Burgess	426.6
Anthony Musto	391.9
Sam Keiffer	371
Marian Vu	338.9
Cassidy Thimmer	326.1
Tamicha Laveuce	325.2
Courtnei Ferguson	305.3

**Science**

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the county science fair!

Sven Hall.....Best of Show for the Junior Division for Indian River County, will be representing Indian River County Public Schools at the State Science Fair.

**STUDENTS:** Don’t miss out on qualifying for the year-end Bookies Ceremony. Keep reading and earning AR points. At the end of the year there will be an awards show and after party for students who qualify. See your Reading or Language Arts teacher for more information.

**Reading and Language Arts Teachers**

The Scholastic Book Fair is scheduled for February 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> in the Media Center. Student will visit the Book Fair with their Reading and/or Advanced Language Arts class. We will be open the morning of February 13<sup>th</sup> for students on passes with money.

## IB Middle Years Program

SRMS IB Middle Years Program applications are due for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders for the 2012-13 school year by March 1, 2012. If you need an application, please stop by the school to pick one up. The IB Middle Years Programme provides an advanced, rigorous curriculum and emphasizes volunteering by both students and parents.

Over 470 students received prizes for reading at least 5 books for the Ticket To Reading Rewards. Students received their medals, cinch bags, and mini- basketball hoops from their reading or language arts teacher on January 19. The program is funded by the National Basketball Coaches Association and SRMS is an exclusive recipient of these prizes. Keep reading because we will continue to reward students for books read with great prizes during second semester!

### MYP 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders

Students who are currently successful in the IB MYP in 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades will be enrolled in the program for the next school year. If students are interested in joining IB for the next school year, they need to submit an application to student services.

## 2012 SRMS Baseball Team

***Congratulation to the following student/athletes being selected as participants for SRMS Baseball Team.***

Collin Farina  
Noah Niezdiela  
Juan Rois  
Chris Vargas  
Logan Jones  
Matt Rosado  
Cody Stuvan  
Derek Hellyer  
Austin Eisenmann  
Vincent Adams  
Ethan Massey  
Cole Crebs  
Jeremy Grebe  
Nick Calvert  
Tyler Osterman  
Travis Matschner  
Vinney Bologno  
Matt Fling  
Garrett Stambaugh  
William Shogran—Manager



## **SRMS 2012 BASEBALL SCHEDULE (revised 1/27/12)**

2-14-12	SEBASTIAN	@ Gifford	5:30 PM	AWAY
2-17-12	SEBASTIAN	@ OSLO	6:00 PM	AWAY
2-23-12	STORM GROVE	@ SEBASTIAN	530 PM	HOME
3/1/12	OSLO	@ SEBASTIAN	6:00 PM	HOME
3-6-12	Gifford	@ SEBASTIAN	530 PM	HOME
3-8-12	SEBASTIAN	@ STORM GROVE	4:00PM	AWAY

(SPRING BREAK 3/12 TO 3/16)

3/22/12	SEBASTIAN	@ OSLO	6:00PM	AWAY
3-26-12	SEBASTIAN	@ GIFFORD	530 PM	AWAY
3-29-12	SEBASTIAN	@ ST EDS	500 PM	AWAY
4-2-12	GIFFORD	@ SEBASTIAN	530 PM	AWAY
4/9/12	OSLO	@SEBASTIAN	6:00PM	HOME
4/11/12	ST EDS	@ SEBASTIAN	5:00 PM	HOME
4/13/12	SEBASTIAN	@ STORM GROVE	600PM	SRHS FIELD

(4/13/date home field advantage determined by either coin toss that day or whoever is ahead in the series).