

Wednesday  
Afternoon  
Meeting Dates  
from  
3:15p.m. - 4:00p.m.  
in Room 245:

October 8th & 22nd

November 5th & 19th

December 3rd & 17th

January 7th and 17th

February 4th & 18th

March 4th & 18th

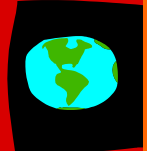
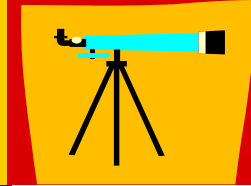
April 1st, 15th & 18th

May 13th & 27th



*Home of the Island  
Creek Crocs*

## The GEMS Club At Island Creek Elementary



Girls Excelling in  
Math and Science  
for 5th and 6th  
Grade Girls

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## GEMS Girls in Action



## GEMS

*Helping Girls Explore the World of Math, Science, and Technology*

Girls in increasing numbers have been opting out of the worlds of math, science, and technology as courses in school and as careers.

The GEMS club has been working to reverse this trend to expose 5th & 6th grade girls to the fun and wonder of these fields.

For more information please

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The GEMS club was started in 1995 by Laura Reasoner Jones, a teacher and parent of two school-age daughters. She heard her daughter say she didn't want to go to a magnet school because "Math is hard." Ms. Jones enlisted the help and support of her local Elementary school, Clearview Elementary in Herndon, VA, and the collaboration of her daughter's fifth grade teacher, Marian Childress, and started an after school club for fifth and sixth grade girls.

GEMS was named after the Reston-Herndon chapter of the American Association of University Women annual conference.

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