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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**
- **Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>** 3:15-4:30 Girls on the Run, Rm. 253  
7:00-8:00pm Chorus and Beatmasters Concert, Cafe
- **Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>** 3:15-4:00 GEMS, Rm., 245
- **Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>** 7:30-8:00am Writer's Block Parent Open House, Cafe  
3:15-4:30 Girls on the Run, Rm. 253  
6:30-7:30pm Markon's Coffee House, Theater
- **Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>** 6:00-8:00pm Girls on the Run Dinner, Cafeteria
- **Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>** 7:30am Girls on the Run Race, Fair Oaks Mall

### **SOL TESTING DATES**

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade**

May 21 – Reading  
May 22 – Reading  
May 28 - Science  
June 1 – History  
June 4 – Math

#### **4<sup>th</sup> Grade**

May 20 – Reading  
May 29 – Math  
June 2 – History

#### **5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

May 19 – Reading  
May 26- Math  
June 5 - Science

#### **6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

May 18 - Reading  
May 27 - Math  
June 3 - Science

**Make-ups will be done during the testing window May 21 through June 5th**

## **ATTENDANCE REPORTING**

The Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) and Fairfax County Health Department (FCHD) are working together to support the Student Illness Monitoring System (SIMS) to track certain communicable diseases. This system has been in place since 2005. The system allows for a daily review of absentee information to monitor for an increase in gastrointestinal and/or influenza like illnesses. Monitoring these illnesses on a daily basis allows for early identification and intervention.

When calling your school attendance line to report your child's illness, you should provide specific information about your child's reason for absence. If your child is ill, please be specific as to a physician's diagnosis such as strep throat or pink eye. If your child has not seen a physician, please be specific about the symptoms your child is having such as fever, cough, sore throat, headache, diarrhea or vomiting.

We hope that this program, combined with systems already in place to safeguard your children and school community, will enhance our understanding of certain communicable diseases.

If you have any questions about this monitoring program, please call your Island Creek Elementary school public health nurse at 571-642-6310.