

# Sensational Support

## Science Fair

*Dr. N. Harper, Science Lab Instructor*



Greetings from the Science Lab! Right now we are in full swing with our science fair projects. Each child in grades 3-5 should be working on their projects and should bring in their completed board February 22, 2016. I am looking forward to seeing your scientifically creative projects!

Starting in February, GEMS and Lego Robotics will be cancelled until further notice. Thank you! ■



### Dates to Know

Memphis Grizzlies Read to Achieve	February 1– March 11
Part I State Assessments	February 8– March 4
Progress Report Issued	February 10
Parent Teacher Conferences	February 11 (4PM-7PM)
District Learning Day (Students Out)	February 12
Presidents Day (School Closed)	February 15



Coming Soon!

Mrs. J. Redmond, Art Instructor

## Academic Support

*Department of Exceptional Children*

We are off and running full speed ahead into second semester. *EasyCBM* is an assessment tool that is currently being used by the Shelby County Schools District to determine students current academic functioning level in the areas of Mathematics and English/Language Arts (ELA). All students with significant challenges and those who receive resource services in the areas of Math and ELA were assessed using *EasyCBM* the first few weeks of the second semester. Interventions were put in place for all students that were identified with significant academic challenges. Letters were sent home January 20, 2016 to notify parents if their child was identified to received additional interventions. Be on the lookout for periodic updates on your child's progress. Your child and the staff at Fairley STEAM Academy are working diligently and striving forward toward academic excellence. ■

## Memphis Grizzlies Read to Achieve: "The Road to the Reading Championship"

*Librarian Smith*

INTERNATIONAL PAPER



Fairley Elementary will be participating in the Memphis Grizzlies Read to Achieve Program. This program is an incentive-driven initiative that motivates students to develop a life-long love for reading and promotes the value of literacy. The program is free of charge and is for grades 3-5. The program lasts for six weeks (February 1 -- March 11) and challenges students to read one, reading-level appropriate book per week for the entire six weeks. Every Monday throughout the program, student names who have completed the weekly challenge, as well as classrooms that have had 100% completion, will be entered into a random drawing in which they can win Grizzlies prize packs, t-shirts, books for the entire class, Reading Timeouts with Grizzlies staff, or even tickets to upcoming games; five individual student winners and 3 classroom winners will be drawn each week. Each student will receive a bookmark that they should keep with them to keep track of their own progress. Students who successfully complete the challenge will attend the Read to Achieve Championship at the FedEx Forum on Thursday, March 31, 2016. Let's read to achieve, Fairley Bulldogs! ■

## Counselor's Corner

*Mrs. R. Hudson, School Counselor*

February is the month of LOVE. During the month of January, the PBIS committee hosted a game day for students with excellent behavior. I would like to challenge families to cultivate love this month by hosting a family game night. It could be as simple as playing a game of UNO or Monopoly. Be intentional and you will discover so many wonderful characteristics about your loved ones. Encourage your student(s) to describe their experience(s) through writing and share it with the counselor. There will be a red box sitting in the main hallway each morning.



Much Love,  
Counselor Hudson ■

## The "Fit" Bit

Parents, Fairley will have a running team! It will begin in March and end in May. Please help us get students in shape by encouraging them to participate. More information coming soon.



Students, please keep safe during this cold season by wearing the appropriate winter clothes. Also, practice and maintain healthy habits by washing your hands and covering your mouth when you cough and sneeze. Stay healthy!

Coach Herron and Coach Holtz ■