

"We can only see a short distance ahead, but we can see plenty there that needs to be done."

Alan Turing, computer scientist and mathematician

Happy Friday morning before Spring Break!!

In just a few hours we will officially be on our 24-25 Spring Break. 🎉 I am looking forward to working in my yard and doing some Spring cleaning inside and out to start my break. I know that sounds like work, but it brings me peace getting things organized. 😊 My youngest daughter is traveling back home Tuesday and we are driving to WV on Wednesday to visit family. I am really looking forward to spending quality time with her as we make the trip up and back. Then on Friday we get to celebrate my oldest granddaughter turning 7! While it is a pretty lowkey break, I know it will give me just the boost I need to finish out the year strong!

I hope you enjoy your Spring Break in any way that brings you joy and peace!!

Updates, Reminders, and Instructional Supports...

(Teacher Evaluation Standard III: Teachers Know the Content They Teach, Teacher Evaluation Standard IV: Teachers Facilitate Learning for Their Students, & Standard V: Teachers Reflect on Their Practice)

APRIL SALAD BAR: For the April Salad Bar, all teachers will sign on to the STIIX meeting to learn ways you can use the STEM water system kits. Every classroom should have one in their inventory as they were delivered and received the summer of 2023. The presenter will go over how to build a water system using the materials and lesson plans. He will also share the accompanying videos he has created. The flyer with the **TEAMS** link is attached. Locate your kit and plan to have it with you during the presentation so you can practice using the material yourself.

FINANCIAL LITERACY READERS: On April 24, each classroom will have a visitor reading the Money Bears book. They are still signing up for this, but I wanted to get you what information I had so you can begin planning ahead. Here is the schedule for our cohort thus far:

Bright Path - To Be Determined (TBD)
Cadence Raintree 1 & 2 - 9:00 with Kelly King & Brad Cohen
Crossway - NA
Legacy European Academy 1 & 2 - TBD
Smart Kids 7 - TBD
Sunshine House 109 Mint Hill - TBD

NOTE: I will add this information to our SharePoint cohort page and update it as new readers are added to the sign-up form.

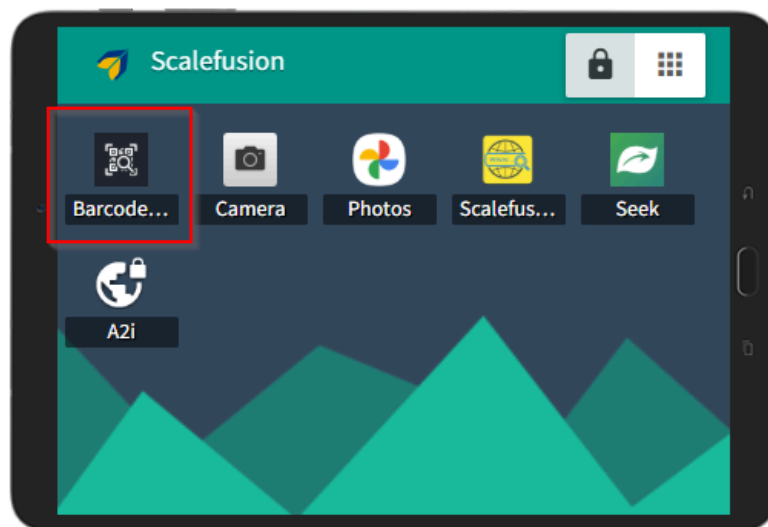
WATER STUDY IN-HOUSE FIELD TRIP: I know it is a little early to start thinking about the Water Study, but experiences like this need to get booked early. If you are interested in an [in-house field trip contact Mr. Green](#), use the information to contact him for prices and availability. Don't forget to ask for the MECK Pre-K discount!

GRADUATION: Thank you for checking your graduation caps & gowns inventory. It is an expectation that MECK Pre-K graduates will wear the blue caps & gowns. The caps and gowns are to be **REUSED** each year by a new class of students. MECK Pre-K will provide the 2025 tassels. Students will **keep the tassels** as a memento.



If you are missing a lot, or even class sets of caps & gowns, it is expected that the site administrator will replace the ones MECK Pre-K originally provided. If this is the case at your site, check with your site administrator ASAP to make sure the caps/gowns are ordered so you can have them for your June celebrations.

MARCO POLO TABLET BARCODE SCANNING: In order to scan the barcode, you need to use a separate app that IT pushed out to the tablets. It will look like the one highlighted below. Once you scan the QR code you will need to hit “open link”. The default camera does not have a QR scan feature.



Your tablet must be connected to Wi-Fi for the app to load.

*Now on to my schedule...
I plan on following this visit schedule but will adjust as needs arise.*

Monday, April 21	Tuesday, April 22	Wednesday, April 23	Thursday, April 24	Friday, April 25
<p>Success Coach PLC</p> <p>Smart Start Staff Meeting</p>	<p>Bright Path Crossway Smart Kids 7</p> <p>Salad Bar</p> <p>All MECK teachers will join the TEAMS meeting to participate in the same PD session.</p>	<p>Cadence Raintree</p>	<p>FINANCIAL LITERACY READERS</p> <p>Legacy European</p>	<p>Sunshine House MH</p>

QUICK LINKS TO INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES:

[Africa's Professional Pinterest Page](#) (resources for teachers and coaches ~Thanks for sharing, Africa!)

[Meck Pre-K Playbook for teachers](#)

[McClanahan Cohort - SharePoint](#)

[McClanahan's Pre-k Pages](#) site:

NOTE: If you are looking for a particular resource, there is a search icon at the top, right corner of each page on my site.

Dates to Remember...

April

22 - [EARTH DAY](#)

May

05-09 - TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

05 - BRIGANCE assessment window opens

05 - **CADENCE RAINTREE BRIGANCE**

06 - PLC Meeting

06 - RRR study ends - Celebration of Learning

06 - **CROSSWAY & BRIGHT PATH BRIGANCE**

07 - Water study begins

07-08 - **SUNSHINE HOUSE 109 BRIGANCE**

09 - **CROSSWAY & BRIGHT PATH BRIGANCE**

13 - **LEGACY EUROPEAN BRIGANCE**

14-15 - **SMART KIDS 7 BRIGANCE**

16 - BRIGANCE MAKEUPS

16 - BRIGANCE assessment window closes

19 - PAST administration window opens

19 - **CADENCE RAINTREE PAST**

20 - **CROSSWAY & BRIGHT PATH PAST**

20 - Salad Bar PLC

21-22 - **SUNSHINE HOUSE 109 PAST**

23 - **BRIGHT PATH PAST** & MAKEUPS

26 - HOLIDAY

27 - **LEGACY EUROPEAN PAST**

28-29 - **SMART KIDS 7 PAST**

30 - PAST MAKE UPS

30 - PAST administration window closes

June

02-10 - Graduation/Celebration window

03 - Water study ends

04 - Getting Ready For Kindergarten Study begins

10 - Last Day of School

11 - Teacher Workday

12 - Teacher Workday

Have a great Friday!

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