



# Corbitt Connection

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## April Resource Schedule

Music: 25<sup>th</sup> & P.E.: 26<sup>th</sup>

## T-shirt Request

Two weeks ago I requested that you send in a plain white t-shirt for your child for our field trips and Play Day activities at the end of the month and next. So far I have received t-shirts from six students. If you have not yet sent in a t-shirt and are able, please send in a plain white t-shirt by this Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> so that we can get them ready to dye this week. Thank you!!!

## "What Can I Do at Home?"

The time is upon us for the FCAT. This week the students will test each morning. They have everything they need in their brains to answer the questions. Now their job is to retrieve it.

For this week's tip I would like to ask that you make sure that your child gets a good night's rest each evening, has breakfast (either at home or at school) each morning, and hears positive and encouraging words. Right now more than anything else they need us to be their cheerleaders. They need to believe that they can "rock" the FCAT and they need to know that you believe it too. As always thank you so much for your support! ☺

## Important Dates to Remember

April 15-19	FCAT-we CAN do it!!!
April 15-16	FCAT Reading
April 17-18	FCAT Math
April 19	Tie dye our Class T-shirts Class Picture Money is Due FCAT Celebration! Report Cards Go Home
April 25	Reading Dance
April 26	Bowling Field Trip ☺

## What's Hoppin' Academically

### Testing Time is Here!

Our hard work is done and now the students are able to prove what they know! This week your child will take the FCAT. Today and tomorrow your child will take two seventy minute reading sessions. Wednesday and Thursday your child will take two seventy minute math sessions. Please check the "What can I do at Home?" box for a couple of reminders for happy and successful testing.

### Reader's Workshop

This week the students will be FCAT testing during Reader's Workshop. Any at home reading done this week (and logged on your child's planner) will count as extra credit towards your child's 4<sup>th</sup> nine weeks reading grade.

### Writer's Workshop

Writer's Workshop has returned. We will continue the report writing genre.

### Skills Block

During Skills Block we will continue writing in cursive. We have already learned all of the lowercase letters and a large number of the uppercase letters. This week we will continue working on the uppercase letters.

### Math

In the afternoons the students will work in math games and centers. This is a fun way for your child to keep his/her skills sharp while they await for the math portion of the FCAT this Wednesday and Thursday.

### Science & Social Studies

This week we will use our *Scholastic News* magazines to teach us about current events (sometimes they focus on science and sometimes social studies topics). The articles also provide excellent examples of grade level nonfiction text and text features.

### Homework Schedule

This week's homework is to get lots of sleep each night, eat a healthy breakfast, wear comfy clothes to school, be on time to school each day, and of course believe in yourself!!!