

# Cedar Island's 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Vocabulary Parade is Coming!

The students of Cedar Island will participate in a Vocabulary Parade on **Friday, May 17, at 2:30 PM**. Students have been working all year on improving their vocabulary skills and this parade is the perfect way to celebrate their hard work!

The idea for a Vocabulary Parade came from Debra Frasier. She is the author of the book, *Miss Alaineus, A Vocabulary Disaster*, where a student confuses the word “miscellaneous” for the name, Miss Alaineus. In the story, the student turns this embarrassing mistake into a winning costume in the school’s Vocabulary Parade. She used Cedar Island’s first Vocabulary Parade nine years ago for a promotional video she keeps on her web site. If you’d like to see this video, visit [www.debrafrasier.com](http://www.debrafrasier.com), go to the Vocabulary Parade page, and click on the ‘Miss Alaineus Vocabulary Parades’ video.



Parents are asked to get involved with this parade by assisting their children in choosing a word and then creating a visual depiction of the word. Families will find some possible words on some web sites. Author Debra Frasier has a Pinterest site with vocabulary parade items – feel free to check it out for inspiration. Otherwise, simply Google “Vocabulary Parade” for many other ideas. The visual representation could be as simple as holding up a picture that demonstrates their word or a more creative costume. We encourage creativity. We request that your child’s costume clearly reflect a vocabulary word (no Halloween costumes, please!) and that children not wear any clothing with images of weapons.

Parents are invited to come and watch the parade. Also, parents must notify their child’s teacher ahead of time if they plan to take their child home with them at the end of the parade. Please watch for more information on these procedures as we get closer to parade day. This event has been a big hit the last ten years and most families have attended. I’m sure it’ll be a hit again this year so please join us!



Dan Wald, Principal



**CHECK THE CEDAR ISLAND  
WEBSITE – VOCABULARY  
PARADE PAGE – FOR GRADE  
LEVEL VOCABULARY WORD LISTS**