



The Firebird Screams

"Ask not for whom the Firebird screams, he screams for you!"
-Fred the Firebird

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March Dates to Remember:



- Mar. 1 - Lottery Closes @ 5pm
- Mar. 3 - Rising Senior/Parent Information Night, 5:30pm-6:30pm, Zoom meeting
- Mar. 3 - VGCC/CCP Information Session, 6:30pm-7:30pm, Zoom meeting
- Mar. 4 - Family Tours, 10:00am
- Mar. 4 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm
- Mar. 6 - Band Concert, 6:00pm
- Mar. 7 - Kindergarten Field Trip - Museum of Life and Science
- Mar. 7 - 6th Grade POL - Firebird Flea Market
- Mar. 8 - Youth Mental Health/First Aid, 8:00am-4:00pm, POL Room
- Mar. 10 - Spring Picture Day (K-5th, 6th-11th optional)
- Mar. 10 - Classroom Picture Day (K-5th)
- Mar. 11 - PTA Board Meeting, 6:00pm, POL Room
- Mar. 11 - HS Food Truck Rodeo/Smores Night, 6:00pm-8:00pm
- Mar. 13 - ACT Testing
- Mar. 13 - End of 3rd Quarter
- Mar. 13 - 1st Grade POL - Mad Science
- Mar. 13 - 5th Grade Field Trip - Bennett Place
- Mar. 17 - ASVAB Testing, 8:15am
- Mar. 18 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm - (if called)
- Mar. 20-21 - MS One Acts, 7:00pm-9:00pm, HS Gym
- Mar. 21 - Report cards go home
- Mar. 21 - Lottery via Zoom @ 10am
- Mar. 26-27 - 8th Grade Field Trip - Washington DC
- Mar. 28 - Wellness Day - No School for Students and Staff

Message from Mr. Johnson

Spring is for Learning!

I welcome some warmer weather along the excitement of Spring! Spring is a wonderful time of year where we can see the beauty all around us. Trees start to show their majesty with a new collection of leaves, and all the plants bring forth beautiful flowers out of nowhere. This is the same thing that happens at our school as well!

Spring is a wonderful time to see how all the care, nurture, and intentional effort we put into each other, finally starts to show up like a beautiful blossom. For a school like ours, Spring is the time we get to see a true transformation of our students. Learning for every student is what we work for, and it really shows as we enter into Spring. This time of year becomes an incredibly rewarding time for our students, staff, families, and community.

My hope is that we all take time each day to see the blessing we have in our children and the people all around us. I am so thankful to be surrounded by such passionate and dedicated people who all want to help others grow, learn, and be successful in everything. Join me in cherishing this time of year. I hope that each of us can take moments every single day to see the good in everyone around us and the true meaning behind the efforts we give each day.



Tuesday, March 4th @ 6:30pm

Tuesday, March 18th (if called) @ 6:30pm



NO SCHOOL

March 28th - Wellness Day - No School for Students and Staff



Spring Picture Day

Tuesday, March 10th
Grades K-5; 6-11 optional

Classroom Group Pictures (K - 5 - ONLY)

KINDERGARTEN FIELD TRIP

March 7th - Museum of Life and Science

ADDED INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS

Due to closures for inclement weather recently, Falls Lake Academy has added 2 instructional days to our 24-25 calendar.

- March 14 was originally scheduled as a Teacher Workday, but that is now a regular school day.
- April 21 was originally scheduled as a Holiday/Wellness Day, but that is now a regular school day as well.

Click [here](#) for revised 2024-2025 School Calendar.

High School PBL News

Mrs. Medlin's Advanced Sewing Class is working hard to make costumes for our 2nd-graders' Fairy Tales Project. They have visited with the elementary students multiple times to get their input on what they would like their costumes to look like.



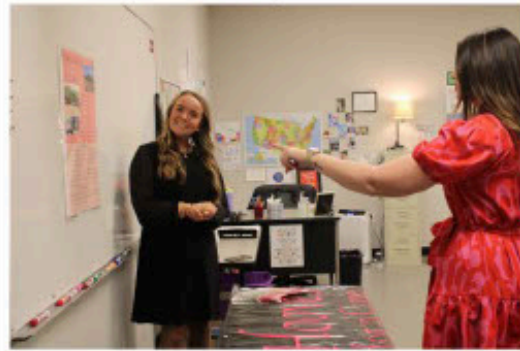
Senior Capstone Night

Our Seniors did an amazing job showcasing their Capstone Projects for our school families and community to see on Friday, January 31. Students have worked since the beginning of their Junior Year on these projects and we got the chance to celebrate them and their hard work on our Capstone Night. In the pictures below, you can see a few examples of students' projects. This is by no means an exhaustive list. Our Seniors had a great variety of projects that benefited many individuals or organizations in our community.

- Alyssa Brown's project was to raise awareness for our homeless pet population and to help the Granville County Animal Shelter.



- Lexi Nelms hosted a horse show and donated the funds raised to Little Pink House of Hope.



- Colton Reece shared his love of robotics with the community and hopefully encouraged others to get involved.



- Andrew O'Briant created cleanser buckets and got these needed items out to our community utilizing the CCM Hut in Oxford.



- Jeffrey Andrews and Marshall Lee helped conduct a silent auction with HBOT for Heroes to help Veterans get needed medical treatment to address issues like PTSD and TBI.



- Anezka Reyes Reyes, Angelina Rosado, and Alexandra Mendez worked as teacher assistants for some of our elementary teachers during the Fall semester and also gave out treats to local preschool teachers as a way to support local educators in our community.



- [Jana Tackema](#) hosted a golf tournament and funds raised were donated to the HS Athletic Department and to William Peace Women's Golf Team.



- Gracyn Ward took her love for all things artistic and held classes for elementary-age children that incorporated art into other academic areas.



Middle School PBL News

The **6th-graders** are working hard to create products for the third annual Firebird Flea Market. The market will offer a wide variety of unique products. We will open for business on March 7 from 9:30-11:30/or sellout. Sixth-grade parents/grandparents and community members are allowed early entry at 9:00. There is a chance that some items will sell out and cause the market to close early. However, students have been challenged to make more products this year.

Several teachers have signed up to bring their students to the market. We recommend our shoppers bring smaller bills so everyone doesn't bring \$10s and \$20s. Thank you for supporting our young entrepreneurs!



Our **7th-graders** will have their Presentation of Learning on March 13th for their Genetics Project. Students have been learning about many different aspects of genetics in their science class and are excited to share what they have been learning!

Our **8th-graders** are currently working on a project to gift to 2nd and 4th-grade teachers. Our middle school students have looked into attentions spans in youth today and done some research on how that impacts students. 8th-grade students have met with 2nd and 4th-graders to get information from them about when they may struggle to focus in class and what types of things help them to pay attention. Students are creating fidgets to share with the 2nd and 4th-grade students on March 10 and 11.



Golf Tournament

Our annual athletic booster club golf tournament is coming up. This tournament will take place on Saturday May 3rd at South Granville Country Club. All details have been attached. We are looking for people to participate, you can sign up as a team or individuals. We also need hole sponsors for the event. Look forward to hearing from you all and having a successful and fun event this year!

Click [here](#) for more information.



The graphic features a vertical tear in the center. To the left of the tear, on a white background, is the logo for the FLA Firebird Flight Crew, which includes a stylized bird silhouette and the text "FLA FIREBIRD FLIGHT CREW". To the right of the tear, on an orange background, are the logos for the FLA Athletic Booster Club (a large 'F') and Under Armour. Below these logos, the text reads "FLA ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB", "ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT", "MAY 3, 2025 • 1:30PM", "SOUTH GRANVILLE CC • 2539 SAM MOSS HAYES RD, CREEDMOOR, NC 27522", "REGISTRATION & LUNCH STARTS AT 12:30PM: LUNCH PROVIDED BY CHICK-FIL-A", and a list of costs: "\$300.00 PER TEAM", "\$75.00 PER PERSON", "\$50.00 (18 and under)", "SPONSORSHIPS - \$100", and "ADD ON - \$20 MULLIGAN & TEE BUSTER PACKAGE".

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FALLS LAKE ACADEMY
**SUMMER
CAMP '25**

**2-27
JUNE**


From 7:00 am til 5:30 pm

Cost \$130 a week / \$104 for the week of June 16th
(\$494 for the entire camp)



FAST will be offering a fun and exciting summer camp this summer for students in grades 1-5. Incoming Kindergarteners are welcome, if they have a current sibling attending FLA. Space is Limited!

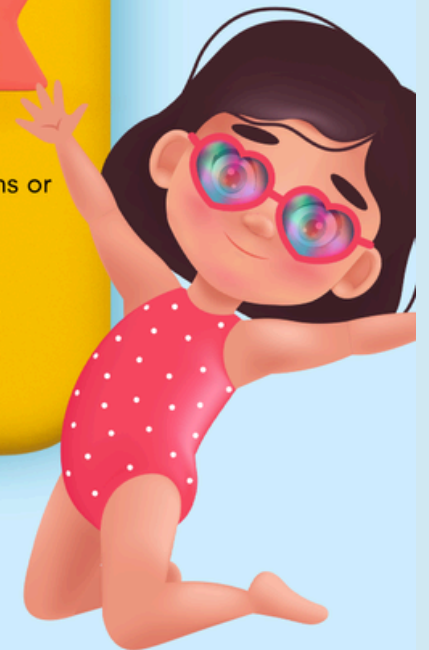
Kids must bring a snack and lunch every day.



Come join us for a day full
of fun and excitement!

Email LisaWatkins@fallslakeacademy.com with questions or to request a registration form.

Return payment to Mrs. Watkins or the front office.
Checks made payable to Falls Lake Academy



Well that's it for now, until next time.....
-Fred the Firebird

