



WELCOME TO OUR

School Newsletter

Principal's Message

By: Dr. April Carrigan

We've had a great week at our school! It has been wonderful to see our students and their smiling faces again! Our students have enjoyed making new friends, learning new routines, and building relationships with their new teachers.

When visiting our school, please remember to have a photo ID with you. A picture of your driver's license or passport on your phone will not be accepted. Additionally, when picking up your child in the car rider line, please make sure your car tag is visible. If you are a walker, you still need to present a car tag. If you do not have your car tag, you will be asked to go to the office and show ID to pick up your child.

As a reminder, we will not have school on Monday, September 8 in observance of Labor Day. I hope your family and you enjoy the long weekend together.



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By: Lauren Simpson

From September 15 – October 15, our school will celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by highlighting the rich cultures, traditions, and contributions of Hispanic communities. Throughout the month, students will explore art, literature, and music inspired by Hispanic artists, authors, and musicians. Through these experiences, we hope to encourage curiosity, appreciation, and a deeper understanding of the diverse cultures that enrich our school community.

Counselor's Corner

By: Andrea Gillette

Happy Friday! I hope you and your family had a nice week. The character word for the month of September is respect, which we will be learning about this month. The first, second, and fourth grades came to my class this week. They learned about positive friendship qualities, respecting friends, and including others.

The fourth-grade students were informed about Cub Crew, which is a 4th grade leadership club. The students were able to apply for a job such as library helper, kindergarten helper, 1st grade helper, 2nd grade helper, preschool helper, hallway greeter, or hallway walker. These jobs will be in the morning before school begins starting at 8:00. I will select the students after looking over the applications. There will be two groups of students, one this semester and one after winter break.

Next week, the kindergarten and third grade students will come to my class. The kindergarten students will learn how to make friends, and the third-grade students will learn positive friendship qualities.

Parenting Tip

One way of promoting respect in the home and at school is insisting on polite language and treating others kindly. This can start with you modeling this behavior in your home. Remind your children to use their best manners and to treat other students like they want to be treated.



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September is Lice Awareness Month

By: Nurse Deal

Lice Infestation timeline:

- Few nits: less than 2 weeks. An adult louse climbs onto your hair and lays about 6 to 10 nits a day, which take about 9 days to hatch. So if you look on the scalp and see no visible adult lice and several small nits, it's likely that you've caught lice in the earlier stages and had them for less than 2 weeks. No symptoms at this time.
- Nits and nymphs: 1.5 to 2 weeks. If you see nits and small, moving lice, you've likely had lice for 1.5 to 2 weeks. This is because you aren't seeing a lot of adult lice but are still seeing small, hatched nymphs along with lots more nits than a person who'd only been affected for a few days.
- Nits, nymphs, and adult lice: 2 weeks or longer. If you're seeing a mixture of sizes of lice, you may have had an infestation for at least 2 weeks. If you have symptoms like itching along with a variety of lice stages, you've likely been living with lice for four to six weeks or possibly longer.
- Nits more than 1/4 inch from the scalp: old infestation. Only see small nits over a quarter inch away from the scalp? It's probably an old infestation. You may have treated your lice, and remnants are moving down the scalp. Because lice eggs typically hatch close to the scalp, seeing nits further down your hair can indicate that the infestation is inactive.

Coordinated School Health

By: Lisa Chatman

National Walk/Bike to School Day is Wednesday, October 7th. Franklin Elementary will observe that day with the Williamson County Health Department, Bike/Walk Franklin, and Franklin PD bike patrol. We have plans to make this event the best Bike/Walk to FES ever! More details about the route and the starting point will be shared in the next Bear Facts newsletter.

What's the PTO Up To?

By: Joanna Gregg, PTO President

Spirit Wear is on the way!

Thank you to everyone who ordered FES Spirit Wear! Together, we raised over \$500 for FES through this fundraiser! Orders will be sent home with your child from school by September 14. We can't wait to see everyone rocking their new FES swag!

GAME ON! Cub Run planning is officially underway!

Our Cub Run committee held its first meeting last week, and we are already working on lots of fun ways to make this year's event extra exciting for our Cubs—including fundraising incentives, school-wide rewards, prizes, and plenty of surprises along the way! This year, money raised through the Cub Run will help fund important improvements and resources for FES, including new playground fence, new ViewSonic boards for classrooms, two inclusive communication boards for our playgrounds, dry-erase boards for classrooms, phonics kits and supplies, and resources for our Franklin Farmers enrichment program. Every donation truly makes a difference right here at our school!

Want to be part of the Cub Run?

We'll need LOTS of volunteers on Cub Run day to help make the event run smoothly and cheer on our Cubs! Be on the lookout for volunteer opportunities and sign-ups as we get closer to the big day. We'd love to have you join the fun!

We need sponsors!

Do you own a business, work for a company that supports local schools, or know someone who does? We are currently looking for corporate and community sponsors for the Cub Run. Our sponsorship information and letter are available on the PTO website and can easily be shared with businesses that may be interested in supporting FES.

And a BIG thank you to our Room Parent volunteers!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to serve as a Room Parent this year! We appreciate you helping connect our teachers and families and being such an important part of our school community.

Congratulations, Finn Foster!

Congratulations, Finn Foster! We're excited to celebrate our talented Artist of the Month for September! Join us in recognizing his creativity and hard work. We are so proud of you! You may check out his artwork in our front lobby.



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SEPTEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2 Fall Pictures	3	4 Early Dismissal @ 12:30 (K-4th)	5
6	7 Labor Day No School	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 FSD Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm	15 Dot Day	16	17	18 PTO Meeting @ 8:45	19
20	21	22	23 2nd Grade Field Trip to Lucky Ladd	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

Franklin Elementary / Lunch

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	Tue 1	Wed 2	Thu 3	Fri 4
	Chicken Patty Sausage Patty Pancakes Scrambled Eggs Salad Bar Baked Apples Assorted Fruit	Chicken Smackers Baked Chicken Salad Bar Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Roll Assorted Fruit	Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Chicken Drumstick Salad Bar Cheesy Broccoli Assorted Fruit	Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Three Meat Pizza Salad Bar Corn Assorted Fruit
Mon 7	Tue 8	Wed 9	Thu 10	Fri 11
NO SCHOOL TODAY	Cheesy Beef Nachos Chicken Nachos Cheese Nachos Salad Bar Pinto Beans Assorted Fruit	Chicken Smackers BBQ Chicken Salad Bar Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Roll Assorted Fruit	Bosco Sticks Wings of Fire Salad Bar Peas and Carrots Roasted Sweet Potatoes Assorted Fruit	Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Sausage Pizza Salad Bar Corn Assorted Fruit
Mon 14	Tue 15	Wed 16	Thu 17	Fri 18
Chicken Sandwich Spicy Chicken Sandwich Meatball Sub Salad Bar Sweet Potato Fries Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles Assorted Fruit	Sweet & Sour Chicken Beefy Rice Pineapple Fried Rice Salad Bar Roasted Broccoli Assorted Fruit	Chicken Smackers Baked Chicken Thigh Salad Bar Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Roll Assorted Fruit	Grilled Cheese Italian Pasta Bake Salad Bar Roasted Vegetables Assorted Fruit	Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Chicken Bacon Ranch Pizza Salad Bar Corn Assorted Fruit
Mon 21	Tue 22	Wed 23	Thu 24	Fri 25
Hamburger/Cheeseburger Hot Dog Salad Bar Waffle Fries Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles Assorted Fruit	Cajun Chicken Pasta Chicken Parmesan Pasta Salad Bar Honey Glazed Carrots Breadsticks Assorted Fruit	Chicken Smackers Lemon Pepper Chicken Salad Bar Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Roll Assorted Fruit	Macaroni & Cheese Smacker Mac & Cheese Fish Sticks & Hushpuppies Salad Bar Roasted Cauliflower Assorted Fruit	Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Taco Pizza Salad Bar Corn Assorted Fruit
Mon 28	Tue 29	Wed 30		
Chicken Sandwich Spicy Chicken Sandwich Sloppy Joe Salad Bar Emoji Potatoes Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles Assorted Fruit	Chicken Patty Sausage Patty Pancakes Scrambled Eggs Salad Bar Baked Apples Assorted Fruit	Chicken Smackers Baked Chicken Salad Bar Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Roll Assorted Fruit		

Beverages: Apple Juice · Orange Juice · Milk Chocolate Fat Free · Milk Fat Free · Milk 1%

Condiments: Honey Mustard Dressing · Ketchup · Mayonnaise · Ranch Dressing · Tarter Sauce · Taco Sauce

Salad Bar:

Breakfast(\$3.15) Breakfast Reduced(\$0.30) Breakfast- Adults(\$3.50) Lunch(\$4.35) Lunch- Reduced(\$0.40) Lunch- Adult(\$5.25) Lunch- Child Visitors(\$4.35)
 Holiday Meals Visitors(\$6.50) Ice Cream(\$1.00) Milk(\$0.75)

View more: <http://schools.mealviewer.com/school/FranklinElementary>

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Allergen Legend 0 Soy 1 Peanut 2 Milk 3 Fish 4 Egg 5 Shellfish 6 Wheat 7 Tree Nuts 8 Gluten
 9 Pork 10 Sesame 11 No Known Allergens

PGS MINI CHEER CLINIC

SEPTEMBER 12

5-7:30

\$50

COME LEARN SOME CHEERS & A DANCE
TO PERFORM AT THE FMS HOME
FOOTBALL GAME ON THE 17TH.

LOCATION : POPLAR GROVE GYM
REGISTRATION ALSO INCLUDES
PIZZA, BOW, & GROUP PHOTO

LET'S CHEER,
DANCE, AND
HAVE FUN!

REGISTER HERE

REGISTER BY SEPT. 4
TO GUARANTEE A MINI
CLINIC T-SHIRT

USE THE QR CODE TO VENMO
OR PAY AT THE DOOR!

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