



WELCOME TO OUR

School Newsletter

Principal's Message

By: Dr. Carrigan

I hope your family and you had a wonderful week! Mark your calendars! Our Walk, Bike, or Roll to School Day is Wednesday, October 7. A map and more information is provided in this newsletter. We hope your family and you will participate!

As a reminder, I send a weekly communication on Sunday night to our families providing upcoming events and reminders for the week via ParentSquare.

As a reminder, Friday, October 9 is an Early Dismissal Day. Our PK students will be dismissed beginning at 10:50. Our kindergarten - 4th grade students will dismiss at 12:30. We are looking forward to Fall Break the week of October 12 - 16. I hope your family and you are able to spend time together, rest, and relax. It has been a busy year so far! Have a wonderful break!

Assistant Principal's Tip

By: Mrs. Simpson

Fall Break is just around the corner! While the break is a wonderful time to relax and recharge, it's also a great opportunity to polish up academic skills. Encourage your child to read each day, practice math facts, write in a journal, or review skills they've been working on at school. Just a few minutes of practice each day can help keep skills fresh and make the transition back to school smoother!

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By: Mrs. Gillette

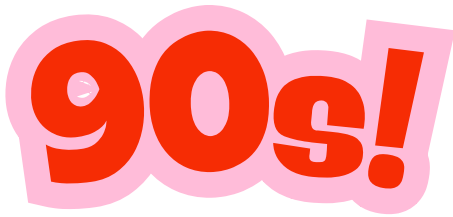
Happy Friday! I hope you had a great week at school. We have continued learning about the character word, respect, for September. We also started learning about the character word for October which is responsibility. Responsibility is doing what you are supposed to do and keeping up with schoolwork and homework. The first, second, and fourth grades came to my class this week. They all learned about being organized and being responsible with their homework.

Next week, the kindergarten and third grade students will come to my class. The kindergarten students will learn about feelings and self-regulation. The third-grade students will learn about organization. If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 794-1187. I hope you have a wonderful weekend!

Parenting Tip

Parenting is a very hard task. We can all feel defeated at times, even me. Just like most things in life, there are good days and bad days. Here are some tips to help with behavior in children.

- Give clear expectations and set boundaries
- Don't be afraid to say NO to your child (Children need to know the meaning of NO)
- Give consequences when needed (take away special items or privileges or what your child values)
- Partner with your child's teacher and let your child know you are on the same team as the teacher and support them
- Limit screen time and increase outdoor time or family time



4th Grade Millennium Museum

Our 4th graders stepped back in time as they explored our Millennium Museum, celebrating all things 90s! From childhood treasures to nostalgic favorites, students enjoying learning about the decade and the memories behind the items.

A special thank you to our amazing parents who shared items from their childhoods and the stories and memories that went along with them. Your contributions made this experience extra special!



Hispanic Heritage Month

By: Mrs. Bedoya, ELL Teacher

During Hispanic Heritage Month, our school community celebrates the history, rich cultures, traditions, languages, and contributions of Hispanic and Latino communities. From September 15 through October 15, our students will have opportunities to learn about inspiring people, explore music and art, discover traditions, and read stories from different Hispanic and Latino cultures. Students will learn that our differences make our school community special and that there is so much we can learn from one another.

We are excited to celebrate, learn, and grow together during Hispanic Heritage Month!

Coordinated School Health

By: Ms. 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.



BIKE WALK TO FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY





OCTOBER 7, 2026

MEETING TO POINTS:

1. WILLIAMSON COUNTY LIBRARY (REAR PARKING LOT)
2. CORNER OF BATTLE AVE & ALICIA DR.

**DROP OFF BEGINS AT 7:30 AM;
DEPARTURE AT 7:45 AM**

PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN TO PARTICIPANTS & ANYONE WHO BIKES OR WALKS TO SCHOOL



What's the PTO Up To?

By: Joanna Gregg, PTO President

CUB RUN IS ALMOST HERE!

Our Cub Run Pep Rally was a BIG success! We hope your kids came home talking about all the fun prizes and incentives—and maybe even started setting some goals! Check out the PTO website for all the Cub Run details and information that was sent home.

Come cheer on our students as they run on Cub Run Day! We love to have families lining the track and bringing the energy for our runners!

SPIRIT NIGHTS

Thanks to everyone who came out to M.L.Rose for our latest Spirit Night! We love seeing our FES families out supporting our school. Stay tuned—more Spirit Nights are coming soon!

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

A huge thank you to all of the volunteers who have already been working behind the scenes to make Cub Run such a successful and FUN day for our kids. We couldn't do it without you!

CELEBRATING OUR CUSTODIANS

Thank you to all of our FES families who helped us celebrate National Custodian Appreciation Day! It means so much to be able to give back to the people who work so hard every day to take care of our school.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5 Cub Run Spirit Week 	6 Cub Run Spirit Week 	7 Cub Run Spirit Week National Bike/Walk to School Day 	8 Cub Run 	9 Dismiss at 12:30 	10
11	 Fall Break					17
18	19	20	21 Fire House Safety for 1st grade, Kindergarten at Gentry's Farm 	22 2nd Grade at Cheekwood 1st Grade at TPAC 	23 Mile Run for 1st - 4th Grades 	24
25	26	27	28 Picture Retakes 	29	30 Fall Parties 	31

Franklin Elementary / Lunch

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			Thu 1	Fri 2
			Buttery Noodles Chicken Drumstick Salad Bar Cheesy Broccoli Assorted Fruit	Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Three Meat Pizza Salad Bar Corn Assorted Fruit
Mon 5	Tue 6	Wed 7	Thu 8	Fri 9
Breaded Chicken Thigh Hamburger/Cheeseburger Salad Bar Tater Tots Assorted Fruit	Cheesy Beef Nachos Chicken Nachos Cheese Nachos Salad Bar Rice 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 Ranch Potatoes Assorted Fruit	Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Salad Bar Corn Assorted Fruit
Mon 12	Tue 13	Wed 14	Thu 15	Fri 16
NO SCHOOL TODAY	NO SCHOOL TODAY	NO SCHOOL TODAY	NO SCHOOL TODAY	NO SCHOOL TODAY
Mon 19	Tue 20	Wed 21	Thu 22	Fri 23
Chicken Sandwich Spicy Chicken Sandwich Corn Dog Salad Bar Sweet Potato Fries Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles Assorted Fruit	Sweet & Sour Chicken Pineapple Fried Rice Ham & Cheese Croissant 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 Honey Glazed Carrots Assorted Fruit	Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Chicken Bacon Ranch Pizza Salad Bar Corn Assorted Fruit
Mon 26	Tue 27	Wed 28	Thu 29	Fri 30
Hamburger/Cheeseburger Hot Dog Salad Bar Waffle Fries Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles Assorted Fruit	Cheese Ravioli Chicken Drumstick Salad Bar Roasted Sweet Potatoes Breadsticks Assorted Fruit	Chicken Smackers Lemon Pepper Chicken Salad Bar Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Roll Assorted Fruit	Macaroni & Cheese Fish Sticks & Hushpuppies Salad Bar Roasted Cauliflower Assorted Fruit	Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Taco Pizza Salad Bar Corn 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