



Franklin Fox Tales

News from Franklin Elementary School

January 5, 2012

-Celebrating 60 years of academic excellence
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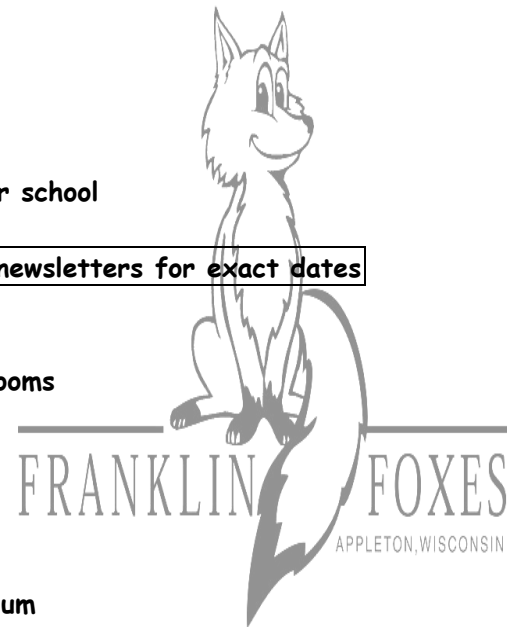
Carrie Willer, PhD, Principal

Our school newsletter, *the Fox Tales*, comes out every two weeks and is distributed in the youngest child's Franklin Fox Take Home Folder on Thursday. In addition, our newsletter is posted on our webpage. Our newsletter is designed to keep you informed of important dates and events at Franklin. Please take a few moments and read our newsletter carefully.

School Calendar-

January's Theme: Celebrate Franklin in the 80's—a part of our 60th Birthday Celebration! Students will hear music from the 80's on Wednesday and Fridays after school, as well as participate in class decade trivia questions on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each month, with a chance to earn an extra 15 minute recess each month. Finally, each spirit day per month will focus on clothing from that decade.

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| Jan. 5 | Fox Tales Newsletter goes home |
| Jan. 6 | \$0.50 Popcorn Sale in the Kindergarten hallway after school |
| Jan. 9-Jan. 27 | MAP testing in Grades 1-6 -please watch classroom newsletters for exact dates |
| Jan. 9 | Crossing Guard Appreciation Week, Jan. 9-13
8:30-9:30, Reading to Canines in grade 1 and ELL rooms |
| Jan. 13 | 3:30, Dilly Bar Sale \$1.00 |
| Jan. 16 | 3:30, PTO meeting in LMC |
| Jan. 17 | 7:30 and 3:30, Talent Show auditions in the auditorium |
| Jan. 18 | Arbitrary Friday- instead of following a Wednesday class schedule, we follow a Friday class schedule- please bring needed band/strings instruments to school |
| Jan. 19 | 7:30 and 3:30, Talent Show auditions in the auditorium |
| Jan. 20 | 11:27 Dismissal, Teachers work on report cards in the afternoon |
| Jan. 23-Jan. 27 | Kindergarten Registration for 2012-2013- during office hours, 7:30-4 pm
Please stop in the office to complete necessary paperwork to register your child |
| Jan. 26 | 11:45, Paw Pals Luncheon in art room |
| Jan. 27 | 3:30, Popcorn sale, \$0.50 a bag |



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Report Cards go home in Fox Folders, along with the Fox Tales Newsletter



No School-

There will be no school for students on the afternoon of Friday, Jan. 20th.

Dismissal will be at **11:27 AM**. Please make arrangements with your child for early dismissal. Teachers will be working on report cards in the afternoon.



Congratulations to our Geography Bee Winner!

Congratulations to Hailey J, a 5th grade student in Mrs. Ellenbecker's classroom, on winning the Franklin round of the National Geographic Geography Bee! Hailey will move forward in the regional competition early spring. Honorable mention goes out to Tony K, a student in Mrs. Hacker's room for being the runner up and doing a wonderful job in the final tie breaker rounds (we had one than one round because the Bee was so close). Congratulations to the following students who competed in the bee:

Mrs. Hacker's room: Tony K., Ben T., Zach F.
 Mr. Sunke's room: Brandon D., Hayden H., Gabi L.
 Ms. Coenen's room: Amry G., Titus X., Seth B.
 Mrs. Ellenbecker's room: Kazong T., Virginia G., Danielle S.
 Mrs. Graf's room: Charlie C., Teddy A., Lydia K.
 Mrs. Rieckman's room: Jose M., Cameron K., Aryah K.

Caught in the Act Winners!

Staff are on the look out for students doing nice things for others! Students that receive a coin from a staff member at Franklin make a decision to give the coin to their classroom teacher towards a class incentive or turn the coin into the office for a chance at our weekly Friday drawing from the prize box. Five names are chosen each week, and students receive a special prize. Since the last newsletter, the following students have been selected (last names are not printed to protect the confidentiality of minors on the Internet where our newsletter is posted):

Ethan K.	Gabby F.	Laela C.W.	Megan C.	Brooke G.	Amaya J.
Lars H.	Arthur K.	Emily L.	Macy M.	Emily B.	Lillian B.
Drake B.	Natalie B.	Elise C.			



Crossing Guard Appreciation Week, Jan. 9-13

Please join me in thanking our dedicated crossing guards for their faithful service to our children by keeping them safe as they cross the road to and from school, especially in inclement weather. We have three crossing guards that service our school: Marquette and Oneida Street is Mrs. Schultz, Jarchow and Marquette Street is Mrs. Tierney, and Drew Street and Glendale is Mrs. Remter.

Summer School Registration dates:

Please mark your calendar for March 6th and 8th from 5 - 7pm in our gym for summer school registration! A list of classes and more information will be coming soon.

Yearbook update...

Due to popular parent request, we are trying something new this year with our student yearbooks this year. Herff Jones, a subsidiary company of Lifetouch (they took our school pictures this year), will be making a professional yearbook for each student! Each yearbook will have a soft, color cover with a protective coating, along with 16 black and white pages of each homeroom, including co curriculums and candid student pictures. We have seen examples of other schools yearbooks and are pleased to offer this book to students. The cost of each book will be \$6.50 each and forms will be coming home towards the end of January. We are hoping that each child will be able to have their own copy of the yearbook, as students receive the yearbook on the last day of school and sign autographs before dismissing.

A Message from Your School Counselors...

Recipe for the Best School Year Ever



Main Ingredients:

- 1 cup of respect
- 1 cup of responsible behavior
- 1 cup of safe actions

Mix together **respect**, **responsibility** and **safety**. Fold in your **best effort**. Bake with **compassion**. Cool off any angry feelings. Frost with a heaping amount of positive attitude. Sprinkle with loads of **kind actions, words and deeds**. Top with a cherry just for **fun!**

Best when shared with friends. We hope you are having a wonderful school year!!

Happy New Year, from Miss Luthra & Mrs. Otto

Talent Show

It's almost here... *THAT FRANKLIN SHOW* is the theme for the 2012 Fox Talent Show. See attached flyer for details!

Fox Spirit!

Our January spirit day is coming- Jan. 18th students are invited to dress in 80's style clothing! Think big hair, rolled up jeans, spiked up collars, and have some fun! The classroom with the most students participating will receive the January spirit flag to proudly display in their room.

2012-2013 Kindergarten Registration-

Registration for Kindergarten for the 2012-2013 school year will take place in the Franklin School office January 23-January 27 during regular business hours, 7:30-4 pm-please stop in! To be eligible for Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old by September 1, 2012. We will have a Spanish interpreter available in the mornings for your convenience. If you or a neighbor has a child who will be of age for kindergarten this coming year and did not receive a registration packet in the mail, please contact the school office. It is very important to stop in the office during our registration, even if you currently have a child attending Franklin School, to pre-register for Kindergarten. You will complete important enrollment papers and receive information about upcoming kindergarten orientation. An accurate count of our incoming kindergarteners helps us ensure appropriate staffing, supplies, and classroom space --so your help in coming to school is greatly appreciated!

MAP Testing

Measures of Academic Progress testing for students in grades 1-6 will begin Jan. 9-27th. Students are tested in the fall and spring in the areas of math and reading, and winter in the areas of reading, with possible testing in math. Your child's MAP test results will be sent home with the report card on Thursday, Feb. 2nd. Should you have any questions on your child's test results, please contact your classroom teacher or the office.

Semester One Report Cards-

Semester One Progress Reports will be included in the **February 2nd** in Fox Folders. After reviewing the Progress Report and MAP test results, parents should sign the envelope and return it to their child's classroom teacher so that the envelope can be reused in June. Parents should keep the Progress Reports. Envelopes should be returned to school by **Tuesday, February 7th**. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress after reviewing the report, please contact his or her teacher.

Intra-District Open Enrollment Transfer Request Forms for 2012-2013

Open enrollment within our district is held in January. Forms for Intra-District Open Enrollment Transfer, for parents interested in sending their child/ren to a school other than their home school, are available in the Franklin office and are due to the Appleton Area School District Attendance Office by **January 31, 2011**. **There are no exceptions to this deadline.**

Physical Education updates-

See the link for Mr. Garvey's PE updates!

Franklin Family Newsletter Feedback Form

Your feedback is important to us! If you have a question, a note of praise, or a concern, please complete this form and return to Dr. Willer, Franklin Principal.

(Optional) Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY



SUMMER SCHOOL

For your convenience...

TWO REGISTRATION DATES DURING SPRING CONFERENCES!



TUESDAY, MARCH 6th 5:00-7:00pm

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THURSDAY, MARCH 8th 5:00-7:00pm

- You can register your child in the GYM on either night (first-come, first-served basis).
- Registration forms will be on hand, or you may print them (class selection form and registration form) from the Internet at:
www.aasd.k12.wi.us/sumschool
- Payment will not be accepted until the first day of summer school
- If you would like a confirmation (mailed 1-2 weeks before summer school), please bring a stamped, self-addressed envelope on registration night.