

Franklin Fox Tales

News from Franklin Elementary School

October 20, 2011

-Celebrating 60 years of academic excellence
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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-

October's Theme: Celebrate Franklin in the 50's—a part of our 60th Birthday Celebration! Each month will focus on a decade related to Franklin's history, and our first theme begins in October, a brief review of the 1950's. Franklin was dedicated in 1951, so students will hear music from the 50's on Wednesday and Friday, before and 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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| October 20 | Fall Picture Retake Day
Fox Tales Newsletter goes home
5-7:15 pm, Parent-Teacher conferences |
| October 21 | Dismissal at 11:27 am --Teachers participate in staff development opportunities in the PM related to reading and math instruction, and PBIS social skills instruction |
| October 24 | WKCE practice tests in gr. 3-6
830-930, Reading to Canines in Gr. 1 and ELL classrooms
3:30-5:45, Parent Teacher conferences |
| October 25 | WKCE practice tests in gr. 3-6
11:45, Teacher-student Paw Pals Luncheon |
| October 26 | 10:45-11:15, All School Assembly—Healthy Kids Kickball game in gym
11:27, Early Dismissal |
| October 27-28 | No School |

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WKCE State Testing begins in Grades 3-6 classrooms

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| Oct. 31 | School Resumes. Please do not send your child to school in their Halloween costume |
| Nov. 3 | Fox Tales Newsletter goes home |
| Nov. 4 | 3:30, PTO popcorn sale, \$0.50 a bag |
| Nov. 7 | 8:30, Reading To Canines in gr. 1 and ELL |
| Nov. 11 | 9 am, Veteran's Day Celebration, All school assembly in Gym |

- Nov. 14 5th grade ballroom dancing begins in place of teacher taught PE
- Nov. 17 9, 12:45 K-2 Choir Concert and Art Show, Gym
- Nov. 21 8:30, Reading to Canines in Grades 1 and ELL room
3:30 PTO meeting in LMC
- Nov. 22 Snack Attack! Delivered to classrooms- bread from Breadsmith (no cost)
11:45, Paw Pal's luncheon in the art room
- Nov. 23 Spirit Day! Dress in 1960's apparel
Dismissal at 11:27
- Nov. 24-25 No School, Thanksgiving Break

Thank you families!

A special thank you to all our wonderful families that have donated food for the staff at Franklin during conferences! We are so grateful to you for all you do for us! Many of the staff do not live in Appleton, and appreciate the opportunity to have a healthy supper, since they are not able to go home between school and conferences. Thank you to Mrs. Hager for organizing each night! We are so fortunate to have a great parent community!



Thank you for coming to the Franklin Fun Run/Walk

We had a wonderful time on Saturday, Oct. 15 for our first annual Fun Run/Walk! Special thanks to Mr. Joe Calgaro from WAPL for playing music for the event! Thank you to Fang, the Appleton Police Department, the Appleton Fire Department, our two School Board members, Mr. Allinger our superintendent, Mr. Vogel our assistant superintendent, Mrs. Wilda for designing the t shirts, and our Franklin Staff for all your help at the event!



Thank you for attending the October Social at Culver's!

Because of your participation, our school made over \$300 to use with the kids and in classrooms! Thank you very much.

Socials for the year:

Chuck E Cheese, Dec. 8, from 4-8 pm
Tom's on Wisconsin Ave., Feb. 7 from 4-8

Thank you for your support!

No School-

There will be no school for students on the **afternoon of Friday, October 21**. Dismissal will be at **11:27 AM**. Staff will be meeting that afternoon to address continuous school improvement in the area of reading and math and learning about Positive Behavioral Intervention System.



There will be no school on the afternoon of **October 26 (dismissal at 11:27)**, and no school all day on **October 27, and 28**.

Bagged Lunches Available on Half Days-

A reminder to all parents, Aramark does provide bagged lunches available for purchase on half days of school. The lunch includes a meat sandwich (or peanut butter), fruit, vegetable, and white milk. Students will be able to purchase this bagged lunch for the cost of a regular lunch (\$2.35 for full pay), and the money will be deducted from their account. Every half day of school, a bagged lunch will be available to all students, and teachers will take a count of students requesting bagged lunch in the morning. If you do not wish to have your child purchase a bagged lunch, please instruct your child, or send a note to school for the teacher. Only students that indicate to their teacher they want a bagged lunch will be provided with one.

WKCE Testing-

The Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Examination will be administered to students in grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 during the testing window of **Oct. 31-Nov. 23**. Specific testing schedules will be sent home with students from classroom teachers. Parental assistance in assuring their child gets a good night sleep and a nutritious breakfast during the testing period is greatly appreciated. PLEASE SEND A HEALTHY SNACK TO SCHOOL WITH YOUR CHILD. Also, please schedule appointments outside of the school day during this time. It is very difficult to schedule make up tests.



Boy's and Girl's Club afterschool update-

If you are looking for afterschool care or a place for your child to spend some time in a supervised environment, please note that the Boy's and Girl's Club of Appleton- the downtown location- is now providing a Boy's and Girl's staff member that comes to Franklin everyday after school to supervise students and help them get on the right bus to the club. We are very grateful for this new feature and wanted you to know this is being offered free of charge! If you are interested in having your child attend the club, please call 731-0555 to register. The cost is minimal.

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):

Virginia	Kazong	Brandon	Andrea	Elma
Amaya	Payton	Keegan	Jesse	Lily

Veteran's Day Assembly- November 11, 9 AM (11-11-11)

Please join us for a special assembly in our gym to honor our Vets. We are grateful for all the sacrifices and dedication of all individuals who served or currently serve our country and wish to honor them on this special day! A special all school assembly will take place on this day to honor our Vets. Student council is collecting coins to raise money for Old Glory Honor Flights to bring our Veteran's to the WWII monument in Washington, DC. Please see attachment.

2-HOUR DELAY (due to inclement weather or other unforeseen emergency)-

It's time to be prepared for school delays! Please watch your local TV stations and/or listen to local radio stations for 2 hour delays. In case of a delay, the school start time is:

- **Elementary School Start Time:** **10:27 a.m.**

PTO News and Updates:

Cash for Trash!

Are you tired of the typical fundraisers? Tired of making donations? Well, there is another way! You can help Franklin without spending any extra money ... just save your trash!! Here's how:

Boxtops for Education

Franklin earns 10¢ for every "Box Tops for Education" label submitted. Bonus certificates are available on certain products and also from local grocery stores running promotions during different times of the year. Some of the many companies that participate in this program are Betty Crocker, Cottonelle, General Mills, Gold Medal Flour, Kleenex, Land O Lakes, Scott, and Ziploc. A full list of products can be found at

<http://www.boxtops4education.com/earn/clip/brands.aspx> . So, keep an eye out for participating products and be sure to save the labels. When you have a pile, send them to school with your child or drop them off in the white bin across from the main office. Please submit any **Boxtops for Education** you may have by **Tuesday, October 25**. Last year our PTO raised \$618 through this program. We have already earned \$300 for this school year so please keep clipping those Boxtops! Thank you.



Kids, Caps, & Cash

Franklin also earns 5¢ for every specially marked cap of Golden Guernsey and Morning Glory milk, so be sure to send your rinsed and dried milk caps to school as well.



Labels for Education

This program provides free educational equipment to schools in exchange for proofs of purchase from the Campbell family of brands. Please remember to cut the UPC code along with the Labels for Education tag. A full list of products can be found at <http://www.labelsforeducation.com/How-to-Earn/Participating-Products>.



Milk Moola & Donuts to Dough Program

And, last but not least, Franklin earns 5¢ for every cap or bag top collected from Kwik Trip or Kwik Star's Nature's Touch™, and Kwik Quencher® products. For every Glazers Dozen or Half-Dozen price oval our school turns in, we earn 10¢. So, visit Kwik Trip today!

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, Principal.



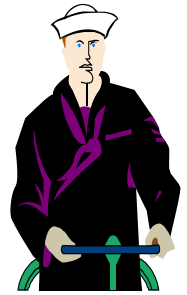
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Honoring All Who Served



Franklin School is honoring veterans at a special ceremony on 11-11-11, at 9 AM in the Franklin School Gym 2212 N. Jarchow Street, Appleton



We are inviting all veterans to join in this ceremony in their honor. There will be guest speakers, patriotic music, a special presentation of the flag, and an introduction of all veterans who are able to attend. Most of all, this ceremony will give our Franklin community the opportunity to personally thank the veterans for their contribution in keeping America a free and safe land for all of us.

We ask that all veterans attending the ceremony check in at the front foyer of school at 8:45 AM on November 11, so we can be certain we introduce all veterans present.

Refreshments will be served in the Multipurpose Room for the veterans and their family members immediately following the program. There is no cost to attend this program.

If you have a living veteran you would like named and honored but they are unable to attend, please complete this form also, and their name will be read.

Veteran's Day Ceremony

11-11-11; 9 AM; Franklin Gym

Veteran's Name: _____

Nominated by/Relationship: _____

_____ Yes, I will attend

_____ The veteran listed cannot attend, but please read his/her name.

This veteran serves/served in _____ (branch of military)

Please return to school by Wednesday, November 9.