Fox Prairie Enews

October 11, 2019

Schedule for the Week

Monday 10/14 - B Day Tuesday 10/15 - C Day Wednesday 10/16 - D Day Thursday 10/17 - A Day Friday 10/18 - B Day

Needed Math Materials

We are in need of some items for our new math curriculum. Please keep an eye out for the following items from home if you have them.

- -Paper tubes-gift wrap size
- -Paper tubes-paper towel size
- -Paper tubes-toilet paper size (need a TON)
- -Cans or jars that hold slightly more than 2 cups
- -Cardboard boxes/cartons-larger than 8" x 9" x 12"
- -2 liter transparent containers
- -2 quart containers
- -Gallon containers
- -Pint containers (cottage cheese, etc)
- -8 ounce containers (yogurt, margarine, etc)
- -Ounce containers
- -50 ml containers (travel size shampoo or lotion, etc)
- -Plastic bottles, half liter
- -Plastic bottles, varying capacity
- -Plastic bottles (clear), 1 liter with top
- -Plastic wrap, rolls
- -1/2 cup containers or bowls
- -1 cup containers or bowls
- -2 cup containers or bowls
- -Half gallon milk or juice cartons
- -1 quart milk or juice containers

- -Containers for pouring (pitcher with spout), larger than 1 liter
- -Left over grass seed (need about 3/4 lb)
- -Plastic or paper cups (various sizes)
- -Egg cartons (1 dozen size)
- -Ping pong balls

Parent Volunteer Needed to Help Prep Math Materials

We are looking for one or two parent volunteers to help with some material preparation for our new math curriculum. This task would entail laminating, cutting and sorting. If you are able to help, please email Sara Kolff at sara.kolff@stoughton.k12.wi.us.

Thank you so much for your support!

Mix It Up Day

What Is "Mix It Up at Lunch"? Mix It Up at Lunch is a simple call to action for all grade students: Sit next to someone new in the cafeteria. When students are encouraged to try something new, even if just for a day, they are learning to bridge differences and build an important skill. The world we live in is diverse, and we want young students to be able to know themselves and speak openly about their identities—and to learn about and respect identities that are different from their own. We want kids to appreciate the strengths of diversity and collaborate with others in service of a larger aim.

The lunchroom is a great place for students to meet new people, find common ground and learn new social skills. And what starts in the lunchroom can spread to other parts of the building to nurture an inclusive and welcoming school community. **Mix It Up at Lunch Day will take place on October 22, 2019.** We designate a day so schools all over the country can participate in solidarity with each other.

Extra Clothes at School

It's always a good idea to have an extra pair of pants & undies at school for your child. Please put an extra pair of each in your child's backpack. When we've had rain overnight, we remind students to stay on the wood chips and blacktop only, but sometimes it's hard to avoid getting a bit wet.

We're always in need of extra pants, especially for our younger students. If you have any extra pants that your child has outgrown, please send them in, and we'll put them to good use.

Thank you!

Counseling Corner

Hello Fox Prairie Families!

Throughout September and October our students at Fox Prairie have been reviewing and practicing skills for learning in their Second Step Lessons. Four important skills they have been working on are listening with attention, ignoring distractions, using self-talk to help remember directions and persevere, and being assertive when asking for help.

Each lesson includes grade level skill practice activities such as role plays, partner, and group work. Our students have also been practicing skills to help them recognize and understand how others are feeling to show empathy and respect.



Please note the Second Step Skills for Learning poster. For more information and family resources about what your child is learning in Second Step, please contact Ashley Billstrom-Luedtke, School Counselor at 608-877-5135 or click <a href="https://example.com/here-to-second-

The Follett Book Fair

The Follett Book Fair is coming the week of Oct 21st, 2019. Please stop in the LMC to check out all the new books the fair has to offer during conferences!



Please select as many time slots as you wish. I'm looking forward to an exciting fair! <u>Sign up</u> <u>here!</u>

Follett Book Fair Gift Cards Easy to Purchase, Easy to Use

<u>Follett Book Fair Gift Cards</u> are digital. Families simply select the amount they would like and print it at home or email it to the recipient. It's that easy, and there's no expiration date! Gift cards make great gifts for students from extended family members who might not be able to attend the fair. Students can shop the fair without carrying cash or checks. After the fair, any leftover balance can be redeemed on our online store, or at your next Follett Book Fair. Click here for <u>Book Fair video Highlights</u>



Cough Drops at School Reminder

As the cold & flu season quickly approaches, please remember that if your child requires cough drops during the school day, we'll need you to fill out a form allowing us to do that. Click <u>here</u> for that form.

Like any type of medicine children need at school, parents must bring in the cough drops in the original container, and we'll mark them for your child and keep them in the health room. If your child feels he/she needs one, they can ask their teacher to come to the health room, we'll give them a cough drop and keep track of when they've taken one.

Thank you for your help with that.

Stoughton Area School District's Annual Meeting on October 21st

Do you have questions about the Stoughton Area School District's finances and budget?

The annual meeting is an excellent opportunity to find out more about our schools. This year's annual meeting will be at 6:00 pm. on Monday, October 21st, at the Administration Building at 320 North St.

Watch D.O.G.S. Sign Up

Who are Watch D.O.G.S?

Watch D.O.G.S. are fathers, mothers, grandfathers, grandmothers, guardians, aunts, uncles, or community members, etc., who volunteer for a half or full school day at an official Watch D.O.G.S. school. During the day, Watch D.O.G.S. may read and work on school activities with students, play at recess, eat lunch with students, watch school entrances and hallways, and any other assigned activities where they actively engage with students. On the day of their participation, Watch D.O.G.S. are given a brief review of their involvement and wear an official Watch D.O.G.S. t-shirt identifying them as a Watch D.O.G.S. in the building.

Program Benefits

- Students gain positive role models.
- Schools gain extra sets of eyes and ears. The presence of volunteer adults provides an
 additional deterrent to bullying, enhances a sense of security in the building, and helps
 create an environment conducive to learning.
- Adults get a glimpse of our students' everyday world and learn about the increasingly complex challenges and decisions today's youth are facing. As a result, they can learn to relate better to their student and connect with them.

Here is the slide presentation from our information meeting.

Please click here to sign up.

WFK's Collects Box Tops

Calling all Box Tops Clips!

You might have heard that the Box Tops program is being transitioned to an app-based program. During this transition you will begin to see the new Box Tops labels that you scan with the app on your phone to redeem. You will also still see the traditional Box Top Clips on some items.



We are encouraging everyone to download the app and start using it with the directions found here: https://www.boxtops4education.com/.

We are asking that you send to school **ANY UNEXPIRED BOX TOPS CLIPS** that you may have at home. There is a collection box right outside the main office. We are preparing to send in a batch of clips soon in the next few weeks.

WFK's Fall Paint Nights

WFK is happy to host this fun opportunity for an adult and child to create a fall-themed work of art with step-by-step instruction from Sara Lenz of Creative Canvases with Sara. Check out the example!



Cost: \$30 cash or check payable to Fox Prairie WFK

Payment will be collected at the beginning of the session. Contact Cally Ehle at caehle@att.net if financial assistance is needed.

K, 1st, 2nd Grades: Tuesday, October 15th from 6:00-7:30 pm

To register, go to: http://bit.ly/FallPaintK12

WFK's Hosts a Potluck Baked Potato Bar for Fox Prairie Staff!

WFK's is hosting a potluck baked potato bar for Fox Prairie staff during Parent/Teacher conferences and need your help with some awesome toppings and sides. Now's the time to sign up!



Please click here to sign up.

Parent/Teacher Conferences in October

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on Wednesday, October 23rd, 4:00-8:00 and Thursday, October 24th, Noon-8:00.

Please watch for a Parent/Teacher Conference Invitation that was sent home with our students.

Please Mark Your Calendars!

Thursday, October 24 - Early Release at 11:00

Friday, October 25 - No School

Our Winter Sing Performance Date Has Been Set

We will continue the tradition of our students performing the Winter Sing in December. This is a wonderful event at a very exciting time of year! This year's Winter Sing will be Thursday, December 19th.

More info will follow later.

2019-2020 SASD Calendar

Click here for our district calendar for the 2019-2020 school year.

Fox Prairie Shout Outs

If you would like to recognize a staff member here at Fox, please complete this <u>form</u>. We love to celebrate our great staff!

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