

Dear Franklin Township Families,

I hope this you're doing well. It's hard to believe we're writing February's newsletter. Did we really just celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> day of school!? Wow! We are over half way through this school year. So much *GOOD* is happening at FTE! Thankful to be a part of it 😊

We recently had our monthly SOAR 4 Celebration Assembly. This is a very special time when we recognize all students for showing SOAR 4 qualities. We took a few moments to applaud students for earning "Caught Being Good Coins"! We also acknowledged students who have earned SOAR 4 Badges and awarded prizes. Additionally, we honored our January's SOAR 4 Students of the Month recipients! Our SOAR 4 Celebration Assemblies are incredibly positive, loaded with laughter and fun, and are emotionally fulfilling for students, staff, and guests in attendance. It's evident that you encourage and teach your child(ren) the importance of our SOAR 4 expectations. Thank you for your support at home!

Many of our students (your children) are involved in a variety of activities outside of school. As my schedule permits, I would LOVE to attend to support our kids. If you have a schedule or information that you're willing to share with me, that would be awesome! Please either send it with your child or you can email the schedule directly to me.

You and your families are the most important people who walk through our doors! Thank you for your continued support at Franklin Township Elementary School, where Every Eagle SOARS!

Sincerely,



## **Spotlight on Education** **"featuring 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade"**

Third grade has been very busy over the past several weeks! We started off by beginning a project in Lesson 8 of Language Arts. We worked with a partner and we created a "Choose Your Own" adventure story. We also learned how to draw conclusions based on details from what we read. We are now moving forward and looking at 'Point of View' as well as, beginning our next selection, "Kamishibai Man". In Math, we have been focusing on geometry skills, and we are able to name polygons and describe them. We also have been able to develop our skills of finding area and perimeter of rectangles. Lastly, we have been busy discovering the features of maps, globes, and atlases, as well as organisms and states of matter in Science. It might be cold outside, but our brains are on fire in here at FTE!

~Mrs. Clough, Mr. Marfia, & Mrs. Shuey



## **Math-A-Thon**

*Math-A-Thon is well underway. Students have been studying and practicing their math facts for the past several weeks. Thank you for your help at home! Testing has started and will continue through this week. Any student who scores a 90% or higher on the facts test will qualify to attend our Math-A-Thon Dinner and Game Night. This special event will be held on Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> right after school until 5:00pm. A special invitation that includes an RSVP will be sent home to those qualifying students. We hope to have a lot of our students in attendance 😊*



## Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration for the Gettysburg Area School District will be held on **Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> from 12:00-8pm** and **Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> from 9am-5pm** at the Gettysburg Area School District Administration Building. If your child will be five years of age before September 1, 2019, please bring his/her birth or baptismal certificate, health history including immunization records and proof of residence to registration. For additional information, please call 334-6254, option 0.



### Shoe Donations Needed

We are looking for donations of gently used sneakers (youth sizes) to keep on hand—or foot ☺ for students who may need them. If you have any that you would like to donate, please send them in a bag to school with your child.

### IMPORTANT NEWS FROM THE FOOD SERVICES DEPARTMENT



As a reminder, you may apply for free and reduced priced meals any time during the school year. If you applied and were denied but now have a change in income or household members, you may reapply. Go to [www.paschoolmeals.com](http://www.paschoolmeals.com) to apply or call the Food Service Office at 717.334.6254 ext. 1204 for a hard copy of the application.

You may apply funds to your child's account at any time. When your child makes a purchase in the cafeteria, it is debited from the account. You may set up an account to track your child's transactions on line at [www.schoolpaymentportal.com](http://www.schoolpaymentportal.com). You may also apply funds to your child's account online using a checking or savings account or credit card.

When sending funds in to school with your child, please be sure to put your child's **FIRST and LAST** name on the payment. Please write your child's name on the memo part of a check. If you use an envelope or any other type of container to send money in, please make sure your child's name is on it to ensure proper credit to his/her account.

Please call the Food Services Office at 717.334.6254 ext. 1204 with any questions you may have pertaining to Food Services.



**February is National Children's Dental Health Month** Despite the fact that it's almost entirely preventable, tooth decay is the most common chronic disease in children. The good news is there are safe and effective preventive measures that can protect teeth. Good oral hygiene practices such as thorough brushing with a fluoride toothpaste can help keep children from getting cavities. Parents and children are encouraged to brush their teeth for two minutes, two times per day, and read for 20 minutes as a way of building good oral health and literacy habits.

Reminder: If your child is a fifth grader, you can schedule a physical exam at any time now; this counts as the sixth-grade physical.



- February 4-8 – MAT Testing
- February 15 – School in Session (Snow Make-Up #2)
- February 18 – NO SCHOOL for Students (Staff In-Service)
- February 19 – School Board Meeting 7:00pm
- February 27 – MAT Dinner/Games 3:30-5:00pm
- March 1 – Book Castle (During lunches)
- March 4 – School Board Meeting 7:00pm
- March 12 – FLY Meeting 6:30-7:30pm (Library)
- March 12 & 13 – Kindergarten Registration (GASD District Office)
- March 13 – Spring Pictures
- March 18 – School Board Meeting 7:00pm
- March 27 – Grades 1/3 Fine Arts @ 6:30pm
- March 28 – Grades KG/2 Fine Arts @ 6:30pm