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Dear Fox Trail Family,

Welcome back and Happy New Year!

As 2017 begins and we continue to Learn Today and Lead Tomorrow at Fox Trail Elementary, take time to reflect on the past year and set goals for the new one ahead of us. This is a great time to apply the first three habits that we learned as a Leader in Me School: Be Proactive, Begin with the End in Mind, and to Put First Things First. As we return to school and begin the third quarter, it is important that we plan every week while reflecting on our ultimate goal as a school: creating kind, caring citizens that are goal-oriented, possess great work habits, and maintain focus on the highest priorities. I encourage you to sit down as a family and review the past year, evaluate successes that took place at school and at home, and identify some areas that you can work on improving. Discussing goals and expectations will set the stage for building and maintaining healthy traits and habits.

Our January focus is Habit 4, Think Win Win. This habit is based on the principles of mutual benefit, fairness and abundance. Consider doing nice things for others, and if problems arise, think win win by generating a solution that works for everyone involved.

We have many things to be thankful for as a school community. For starters, we are grateful for the wonderful children you place in our care every day. We are also thankful and appreciative of our supportive parents. The PTSA hosted a wonderful tropical luncheon making our staff feel so valued. Mrs. Battaglia, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Katz and their fabulous committee out did themselves! Our PTSA Family Movie Night, under the coordination of Mrs. Colen and Mrs. Danzig, was a huge success. The children and their families enjoyed a fun evening here at Fox Trail.

Thank you Mr. Malagon and our Trailblazer Chorus for a fantastic holiday concert. The children were amazing! I am impressed every year with our talented students. The chorus also received rave reviews for their performance at the Fort Lauderdale Hollywood Airport. Furthermore, our Wax Museum under the direction of Mrs. McFadden and Mrs. Uhl was remarkable! Their hardworking fifth graders became famous figures taking us on a trip through time. Impressive job students! Lastly, our Student Council made many local children very happy this year with their annual toy drive. Students' and staff's hard work and kindness do count and are very much appreciated!

During the third quarter school staff members make strategic adjustments to curriculum and learning to make sure children are mastering all of their grade level expectations. We begin the process of midyear assessments to understand which standards each individual child has mastered and what we need to focus on to ensure all students make improvement. Please continue to work with your child and teacher to monitor homework, academic progress, work habits, and learning.

We thank you for your continued support, respect, and cooperation to make Fox Trail and our children successful in 2017!

Your Lead Learners, Lynn Burgess-Principal, Suzanne Nelson, Jenn McGreevy-Assistant Principals



Looking ahead

JANUARY

Wed., 11 Copper's Cove Ori. 8:30am
 Thurs., 12 Early Release-12:00pm
 PTSA Mtg.-6:30pm
 Fri., 13 No School-Employee Planning
 Mon., 16 No School-Holiday
 Tues., 17 Start 3rd qtr.
 Wed., 18 Book Fair Begins
 Sat., 21 Walk About Autism-9:00am
 Hard Rock Stadium
 Sun., 22 Mayor's Mile Challenge Run-8:00am-
 Bergeron Rodeo
 Mon., 23 SAC Mtg.-2:15pm
 Wed., 25 Book Fair Family Night-2-6:00pm
 Mon., 30 Book Fair Ends

FEBRUARY

Thurs., 2 Class Group Pictures
 Report Cards Issued
 Fri., 3 Class Group Pictures
 Fri., 10 PTSA Bingo & Baskets
 Mon., 13 Field Day-Kdg.
 SAC Mtg.-2:15pm
 Tues., 14 Field Day-1st gr.
 Wed., 15 Jump Rope for Heart
 Thurs., 16 Field Day-2nd gr.
 Fri., 17 Field Day-3rd gr.
 Mon., 20 No School-Holiday
 Wed., 22 Book Exchange-7:30-8:00am
 Field Day-4th gr.
 Thurs., 23 Early Release-12:00pm
 Tues., 28 &
 Wed., Mar., 1 Writing Test 4 & 5th

Reminder:

*There is **no** student supervision on the school grounds **before 7:30am or after 2:30pm.** Please do not leave valuables in your car when parking and entering the school.

*In cold weather that is **below 50 degrees,** students are allowed to dress out of uniform wearing jeans and sweat pants.

As always, please have your students arrive to school on time and ready to learn every day. School starts at 8:00am.



Morning Breakfast-7:30am

Breakfast is available to all students, free of charge. Because of the large number of students having breakfast, parents are not invited to eat with their child.



Prices for breakfast and lunch are as follows:

Breakfast: Free Universal Breakfast, Lunch: \$2.00, Reduced: \$.40, Adults: \$2.75. ApplyforLunch.com is an easy and convenient way for parents and guardians to submit applications online. There is no fee for using the ApplyforLunch website to submit your application for benefits and the service is provided free of charge by your District. Remember that you have to reapply annually for Free and Reduced Lunch rates. [Visit the website \(http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/foodservice/freereduced.htm\).](http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/foodservice/freereduced.htm)

Parents may join their child occasionally during lunch on *Tuesdays only*. In order to promote wellness, fast food is discouraged during lunch.

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