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# MARCH 2019

Happy March Fox Trail,

Congratulations to our Teacher of the Year nominee, Mrs. Lori Miller, and our Employee of the Year nominee, Ms. Maxine Williams, who were honored at the Caliber Awards Ceremony at the end of February. These two women are beyond deserving of this honor and impact our students and staff every day.

Thank you to Mathnasium for helping us host a fun-filled night of learning and practicing our math skills. We had a great time!

Last month we also celebrated the winners of the 5-week iReady challenge by sending them to the Game Runner Game Bus. We are very proud of the work and dedication our students have been putting towards iReady this year. Another challenge is just around the corner, so remember to always strive for your W.I.G. (Wildly Important Goal) of 45-minutes a week with a 70% passing rate.

This month the Scholastic Book Fair will be at Fox Trail from March 5th – 15th with our Family Night being on March 13th. The event will be joined with our Books and Blankets family activity. Stay tuned for more information coming home with your child(ren) about both events!

When you think of parent involvement, do you picture moms and dads volunteering in classrooms? That's one way to help- but research shows that supporting your child's education at home is even more important. Listed below are some conversation starters that will help you stay involved:

- \* Let's see what you brought home.
- \* Show me what you have for homework.
- \* Describe a book you enjoyed today.
- \* Tell me what you learned that you'd like to know more about.
- \* What's the coolest thing that happened today?
- \* What made you laugh today?
- \* How were you kind or helpful today? How was someone kind or helpful to you?

Spring break is just three weeks away! Students will have an Early Release Day on March 21st and March 22nd is an Employee Planning Day (no school for students). School resumes on April 1st, 2019. We wish all our families an adventurous and relaxing Spring Break full of fun, family, and friends!

Please check out the "What's Happening" section of our newsletter for other important dates for the month of March.

Your Lead Learners,  
Ms. Lynn Burgess, Principal  
Mrs. Suzanne Nelson and Mrs. Jennifer McGreevy, Assistant Principals

# Test Proctors Needed

Dear Parents:

During the upcoming FSA testing, our school is in need of proctors to stay with classroom teachers during the administration of the test. Proctors help by acting as a second pair of eyes in the classroom. **Please note that parents may not proctor in their child's classroom.**

We need to have up to 20 proctors. Your assistance would be very much appreciated. If you are able to volunteer, please complete the form below and circle the date(s) and time you are available. Confirmation will be made via note or call from the Guidance Office. This letter will indicate the date, time and the classroom in which you will volunteer.

There will be a training for all proctors prior to the FSA. More information will be provided regarding the proctor training in the upcoming weeks.

Thank you in advance for your assistance. Your continued involvement and support help's our children be the best they can be! Should you have any questions, please feel free to call the school at 754-323-5800.

Sincerely,  
Sara Krin, School Counselor

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Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Children Attending Fox Trail:

Name _____	Grade _____	Teacher _____
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**Please return form no later than Friday, March 1, 2019.**

Tuesday, April 2, 2019 8:15 am – 10:30 am \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday, May 7, 2019 8:15 am – 10:30 am \_\_\_\_\_

Wednesday, April 3, 2019 8:15 am – 10:30 am \_\_\_\_\_ Wednesday, May 8, 2019 8:15 am – 10:30 am \_\_\_\_\_

Wednesday, May 1, 2019 8:15 am – 10:30 am \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday, May 2, 2019 8:15 am – 10:30 am \_\_\_\_\_

Friday, May 3, 2019 8:15 am – 10:30 am \_\_\_\_\_

Monday, May 6, 2019 8:15 am – 10:30 am \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTENTION TEACHERS: PLEASE PLACE THE COMPLETED FORMS IN MRS. KRIN'S MAILBOX**

## Fox Trail's Student Lighthouse Team Leads the Way!

By Maya Adams, Cate Andrews, Piper Battaglia, Lindsay Brasner, Lila Fischer, and Lily Gittleman

Have you heard about Fox Trail's awesome Student Lighthouse Team? Some people may think that a lighthouse team discusses lighthouses, but it's actually a group that focuses on leading students through synergy and teamwork. The 2018-2019 Fox Trail Student Lighthouse Team is a group of sixteen student "liaisons" that help connect students with the adult leadership team at Fox Trail. We were officially introduced at our SAC meeting in November; and are hard at work planning school-wide projects, creating action teams, and learning how to be effective leaders.

Meetings are one of the most important things when it comes to bringing our team members together. We meet regularly to discuss future projects based on students' ideas and school needs. Our Lost and Found clean-up project was a big success.

Similar to Fox Trail's Lighthouse Team; a group composed of teachers, administrators, and parents; our focus is on improving academics, growing leadership at Fox Trail, and working to create an environment that inspires learning. This year, Fox Trail's Student Lighthouse Team will be recruiting other students for several "action teams". These action teams will support school leadership projects like our school's leadership day event. Our goal is to ensure that each of our students will have a chance to take on leadership opportunities within the school.

The Lighthouse Team at Fox Trail is currently working on several projects. Our hallways were renamed with encouraging names that incorporate the Seven Leadership Habits. For example, one hallway has been renamed, "Win-Win Way," reminding students of habit four, "Think Win-Win." We also plan to create murals and motivational quotes for the walls in our school. These murals will promote leadership and encourage students to remember each of the Seven Habits. We hope that projects like these will help to inspire everyone in our school to be strong and independent leaders.

Our team is going to be busy this year! We plan to visit other local elementary schools to see their Student Lighthouse Teams in action and learn how to be even more effective as a group. It will be a challenge, but the entire student body at Fox Trail is ready to focus on habit one, "Begin with the End in Mind," and work hard to accomplish our goals.



### Title One Information

We continue to enjoy the benefits of Title I. The supplies that were ordered have arrived and teachers are already incorporating the vocabulary books, phonics books, center activities, educational games and supplemental literacy materials into their classroom instruction. The teachers and students are benefiting from new supplies. The Title I sponsored after-school and Saturday camps are in full swing and are providing our students with the extra support and enrichment in order for them to reach their full potential. We hope you plan to attend the upcoming Title I Family Night, Books and Blankets, which will take place in March in conjunction with our annual book fair family night. Be on the lookout for more information regarding this fun and informative parent night. If you want to learn more about Title I, please join us at the next School Advisory meeting on March 18 at 2:15 pm in the media center.

### FSA PROCTORS NEEDED

Per the guidelines specified in the FSA Test Administration Manuals, proctors must be assigned when testing large groups of students. There should be one proctor for every 25 students in addition to the test administrator. Although, our classes are usually not that large, we do prefer to have a proctor in every classroom.

All proctors will be required to view the BECON FSA/ Proctor Training video, review relevant portions of the 2019 FSA Test Administration Manuals (CBT and paper-based), and sign the Test Administration and Security Agreement prior to the FSA administration.

**If you are available to help us proctor (any or all days), please contact Mrs. Sara Krin at 754-323-5800 or sara.krin@browardschools.com OR fill out the attached form and send in with your child as soon as possible.**

#### FSA Dates:

4/2/19, 4/3/19

5/1/19, 5/2/19, 5/3/19, 5/6/19, 5/7/19, 5/8/19

# What's Happening?

## MARCH

3/5 - 3/15	Book Fair
3/13	Book Fair Family Night/ Books and Blankets Event
3/18	SAC Mtg 2:15/ SAF Mtg 3:15
3/18 - 3/20	CoGat Testing 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade
3/20	Spring Pictures
3/21	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Day
3/21	Early Release: 12:00 PM
3/22	No School- Employee Planning
3/25 - 3/29	SPRING BREAK

## APRIL

4/1	Classes Resume
4/2	FSA Writing- 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade FSA ELA- 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade
4/3	FSA ELA- 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade
4/5	Parent Showcase @ Indian Ridge Middle 10:30 AM
4/15	SAC Mtg 2:15/ SAF Mtg 3:15
4/16	Report Cards Issued
4/19	No School- Holiday
4/26	Spring Dance 6:15-8:15 PM
4/30	Kindergarten Round Up 8:30 AM

## Free and Reduced Meal Program

Food and Nutrition department requires the forms to be filled out every year. **The website is Myschoolapps.com.** Once on the site, click on Free and Reduced-Price Meals. Please go online and fill out the information and when completed it will be sent directly to Food and Nutrition. Thank you for your quick response to completing this.

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