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Greetings Fox Trail Friends and Family,

We had a busy October and are looking forward to another month of learning and leadership. We are glad all of our families were safe during Hurricane Matthew and thank you for your continued cooperation and communication during our wild weather Florida days!

In October we focused on the second habit which is “Begin with the End in Mind”. We held our Leader of the Month celebration to celebrate the students in each class that were leaders in demonstrating this habit. Our students were using this habit to set goals and think about the big picture so they had a clear path to where they were going. For the month of November we are focusing on Habit 3: Put First Things First, which is the habit of personal management. Students should be focusing on their highest priorities, eliminating the unimportant, and staying true in the moment of choice both at home and at school. At home, you could ask them to create a plan at the beginning of each week so they know when they are going to do their homework, chores, extra-curricular activities, etc. Ask them what one or two important things they want to accomplish each week and help them stick to it. We are looking forward to not only seeing our students learn about and exhibit this habit, but also our entire staff. As Lead Learners at Fox Trail, we have all committed to using these habits and have been incorporating them into our daily lifestyles too!

We had our Boosterthon Fun Run in October and it was a huge success! The team huddles incorporated leadership skills and they truly aligned with our mission and vision here at the school. Thank you to Mr. Donely and all of our parent volunteers for helping us make Boosterthon a fun and positive fundraiser for our school!

Our first quarter came to a close at the end of October and report cards will be coming home on November 17th. It is always a good practice to speak with your child(ren) about their grades. Ask them where their strengths lie and what areas they need to improve in. Have them set goals for the second quarter and help hold them accountable.

We are looking forward to having our children help other children and families during our Harvest Drive collection from November 1st-18th this year. Take a look at the homepage of our website to see what goods each grade is collecting. Please help us make a difference in the lives of over 2,000 families throughout South Florida!

We wish you and your families a restful and joyous Thanksgiving Holiday. Schools will be closed from November 23rd to 27th. As always, our doors are open and we welcome your feedback. Please let any of us know if you need anything or how we can make our school even better. We are continuously learning along with your children. Learn Today ~ Lead Tomorrow.

Your Lead Learners,

Ms. Burgess- Principal

Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. McGreevy- Assistant Principals





Fox Trail Elementary participated in *Read for the Record* on Thursday, October 27th. All kindergarten and preschool children read the book, *A Bear Ate Your Sandwich*, by Julia Sarcone-Roach. Each child was given a copy of the book to bring home and KEEP! We appreciate our School Board member, Mrs. Donna Korn, for being a guest reader to our children.



Harvest Drive is here!

Fox Trail will be collecting donated canned goods from November 1st-November 18th that will help feed 2,000 families in our area over the holidays.

NO GLASS CONTAINERS

Suggested items:

Kindergarten: toothpaste, napkins, canned cranberries

1st grade: juice, cereal, oatmeal, cookies

2nd grade: canned gravy, shampoo, canned tuna, canned meat

3rd grade: stuffing, spaghetti sauce, soap, body wash

4th grade: canned vegetables, laundry detergent, canned soup

5th grade: pancake mix, pasta, rice, pancake syrup, aluminum foil



How to Harvest a Drive

The Harvest Drive is a multi-faceted year round project. The first and most recognized aspect of the Harvest Drive is our Thanksgiving distribution of a week's worth of groceries and either a gift card or the fixings for a complete Thanksgiving meal to more than 2000 families. Approximately 900 of these families also have the opportunity to shop for free for gently used clothing, books, toys, shoes and household items at our Harvest Drive Boutiques.

This year we will have 13 distribution sites located at Broward County public schools throughout the County. More than 180 public schools will participate in the collection of non-perishable food and families from all collecting schools will have the option to refer families to receive groceries. Families are referred by social workers and information is strictly confidential.



4th Annual Harvest Feast

Food * Face Painting
Entertainment * Prizes and Giveaways

Saturday

November 19, 2016

11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

3 Locations



Atlantic Technical College – 4700 Coconut Creek Pkwy, Coconut Creek 33063

McFatter Technical College – 6500 Nova Drive, Davie 33317

Sheridan Technical College – 5400 Sheridan Street, Hollywood 33021

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To RSVP or for more information, please contact the Social Worker at your local school.



HARVEST DRIVE'S Needs List

Non-perishable Items needed (Average for a family of 5):

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| 2 – Peanut Butter | 4 – Canned Tuna or Meat | 8 --- Canned Assorted Veggies |
| 2 – Jelly in Plastic Container | 2 – Large Juice | 1 – Large Laundry Detergent |
| 2 --- Cereal | 2 – Macaroni and Cheese | 1 – Dish Soap |
| 1 --- Oatmeal | 3 – Pounds Rice | 1 – Shampoo |
| 2 – Pancake Mix | 4 --- Pounds Pasta | 1 – Large Toothpaste |
| 1 – Pancake Syrup | 3 – Spaghetti Sauce (no glass) | 2 – Soap/Body Wash |
| 3 --- Stuffing | 2 --- Pack of Cookies | 1 --- Deodorant |
| 3 – Canned Gravy | 5 – Canned Fruit | 1 – Package of Napkins |
| 4 – Canned Cranberries | 4 – Canned Beans | 1 – Box of Aluminum Foil |
| 4 – Canned Sweet Potatoes | 8 – Canned Soup | |

Perishable Items needed (Average for a family of 5):

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| 1 – 10-14 lb. Turkey | 1 – Dozen extra large eggs | 1 --- Pie |
| 1 --- ½ Gallon OJ concentrate | 1 --- pkg. Margarine sticks | 1 --- Parmalat Milk |
| 1 --- Loaf of bread – white/wheat | 1 --- pkg. Dinner rolls | 1 – 5 lb. Bag apples/oranges |

The Harvest Drive is a non profit 501(c)3. If you would like to donate to our organization, or for more information on volunteering opportunities, visit www.harvestdriveflorida.com

You're Invited!!

We would like you to join Fox Trail Communication 2016-17! This year we will be using the Remind app as one way to communicate with our families. Remind is a free, safe, and simple messaging tool that helps educators share important updates and reminders with students and parents. You can subscribe by text, email, or by using the Remind app. All personal information is kept private. Teachers will never see your phone number, nor will you see theirs. We have set up a school-wide communication group to use this year to send out reminders and important information about our school. Follow the steps below to sign up to receive notifications:

* To receive messages via text, text @foxtra to 81010. You can optout of messages at any time by replying 'unsubscribe @foxtra'.

* Trouble using 81010? Try texting @foxtra to (941)840-5447 instead.

* To receive messages via email, send an email to foxtra@mail.remind.com. You can leave the subject and body blank. To unsubscribe, reply with 'unsubscribe' in the subject line at any time.

* Download the app in Google Play or Apple Store and follow @foxtra.

* Visit this link <https://remind.com/join/foxtra>.



Looking ahead

NOVEMBER

Tues., 8 No School-Employee Planning
Thurs., 10 PTSA Mtg.-6:30pm
Fri., 11 No School-Holiday
Family Dinner Club- 2-10:00pm
Mon., 14 SAC Mtg.-2:15pm
Thurs., 17 Report Cards Issued
Fall Pictures Make up Day
Wed., 23 No School
Thurs., 24 No School-Holiday
Fri., 25 No School

DECEMBER

Fri., 9 PTSA Movie Night
Mon., 12 SAC Mtg.-2:15pm
Wed., 14 Picture Retake Day
Wed., 21 Winter Concert-7:00pm
Mon., 26- Winter Break
Jan., 6

JANUARY

Mon., 9 Classes Resume

Morning Breakfast

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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