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Visit our PTSA on-line at www.foxtrailelementaryschool.my-pta.org.

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Dear Parents,

It is amazing how quickly the first quarter has passed! Report cards go home on November 12th. It is gratifying to see how the students have approached the challenges of this year's curriculum and how diligently they are working to master the standards. Thank you for working in partnership with the classroom teacher to support the students' success.

I love everything about the month of November. It is a great time for reflecting on what we are most thankful for. I feel truly blessed to be part of such a great school and home partnership. The staff here operates like a family, and of course, our supportive PTSA makes us complete.

It's that time of year when we at Fox Trail like to recognize our Teacher of the Year and our Employee of the Year. Two of the very best. Donica Williams, a wonderful first grade teacher, will represent the best of the best as our Fox Trail Teacher of the Year nominee, and Sandy Hopper, an experienced and caring para-professional, is our Employee of the Year. We are filled with pride to announce that both of our administrators have been nominated for their dedication and leadership. Ms. Burgess was nominated for Principal of the Year, and Mrs. Nelson, for Assistant Principal of the Year. Congratulations to all!

Speaking of winners...we had several School Lunch Poster Contest winners. Sebastian Diaz in third grade was a Broward County Grade Level Winner. Nicole Bellardai in fifth grade was a Broward County Grade Level Winner. Avery Wright in kindergarten and Joey Silvo in fourth grade were first place winners in their grade levels. Thank you Mrs. Shapiro for encouraging our students to participate in the National School Lunch Week contest.

Keep your calendars open because we are very busy here at Fox Trail! Our Boosterthon fundraiser is "Making a Difference" and will culminate with a "Fun Run". We are off to a great start! Our Book Fair is right on schedule and we hope that everyone can come and see the many wonderful books available. Get your dancing shoes ready because November also brings our Fall Dance. Our Heroes assembly will be attended by our fourth and fifth grade students and the military. Our students have written letters to soldiers abroad, and they will be shared with our brave servicemen. In the past, there was not a dry eye in the house. I am thankful for everyone's involvement in educating our children.

On behalf of the Fox Trail staff, I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving! Lynn O. Burgess

SPEAK UP SURVEY

All Broward schools are encouraged to participate in this extremely valuable technology survey. The Speak Up survey is conducted by Project Tomorrow, a national education nonprofit group that collects and reports on the views of K-12 students, teachers, administrators, and parents on 21st century education and technology. Broward County has participated in the Speak Up survey in the past and used the data for program planning related to our digital initiatives. The Speak Up online surveys are open for input from October 6th to December 18th, 2015. Access the survey at www.tomorrow.org/speakup/

Traffic Corner...

Please do not leave your car unattended while dropping off or picking up your child.

When entering the parking lot, do not enter on the outgoing side of the road. It creates a hazard to the cars leaving campus.





Fox Trail supports Breast Cancer Awareness.

English Café

Speakers of other languages can practice conversational English at the Sunrise Dan Pearl Branch Library on Wednesdays from 6-7:30 pm.
10500 W. Oakland Park Blvd.

English Café Intermediate II

Speakers of other languages can practice conversational English at the Weston Branch Library on Wednesdays from 5:30-7:30 pm. 4205 Bonaventure Blvd.

Active Parenting of Teens (For Parents of Children ages 12-18) Indian Ridge Middle School 1355 Nob Hill Road, Davie 6:30-8:30pm

November 4, 10

No registration required! For more information, contact Carol Beitler FDLRS Program Specialist at 754-321-3400





Looking ahead

November

Wed., 4 **Boosterthon FunRun** Mon., 10-20 **Book Fair** Wed., 11 No School Thurs., 12 Report Cards Issued PTSA Mtg.-6:30pm Mon., 16 SAC Mtg. -2:15pm **Book Fair Parent Night** Wed., 18 2-6pm **Thurs., 19** Picture Make-up Interim Reports Issued Fri., 20 Fall Dance/6:00-8:00pm Book Fair-5:30-7:00pm No School Wed., 25-27

December

Mon., 7 SAC Mtg.-2:15pm Thurs., 17 Winter Concert-7:00pm Mon., 21-Jan., 1 WINTER BREAK

January

Mon., 4 Classes Resume Thurs., 7 Early Release- 12:00pm Fri., 8 No School-**Employee Planning** Mon., 11 SAC Mtg. -2:15pm Thurs., 14 Copper's Cove Orientation 8:30am PTSA Mtg., 6:30pm No School-Holiday Mon., 18 Wed., 20 **Class Pictures** Thurs., 21 **Class Pictures** Fri., 22 Career Day-K-2 Thurs., 28 **Report Cards Issued** Fri., 29 Career Day-3-5

Pay for your child's meals at www.myschoolbucks.com School lunch menus can be found at wwwbroward.k12.fl.us/foodservice.

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.

Clinic Needs

We would love your donations of out-grown uniforms for our clinic.



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Thanksgiving Feast served at 3 locations: *

Atlantic Technical College

4700 Coconut Creek Parkway, Coconut Creek 33063

McFatter Technical College

6500 Nova Drive, Davie 33317

Sheridan Technical College

5400 Sheridan Street, Hollywood 33021

Saturday, November 21, 2015 • 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Please contact your child's school to give your name, phone number and # of people in your family if you would like to come. We need to have that information by November 12, 2015.

School phone number:



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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, 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.



SCHOOL CHOICE MILITARY ACADEMY SHOWCASE



























Join us
Thursday
November 19, 2015
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Piper High School
8000 NW 44th St.





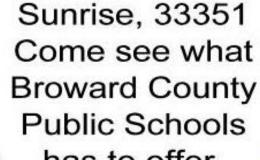




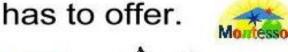
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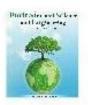












HOT DOCS

Helping Our Toddlers, Developing Our Children's Skills

Do you ever feel frustrated with your child? Have you experienced problems with getting your child to sleep, eat, get dressed, take a bath, follow directions, calm down, sit quietly, get into the car, go on errands with you and allow you to change their diaper?

HOT DOCS is a 7-week training for parents of children ages 2-5 years, developed by the University of South Florida Pediatrics Department. This program teaches a problem-solving method to figure out the function or the "why" of kids' problem behaviors. Learn specific prevention strategies and techniques for modifying your child's behavior. The skills we teach in **HOT DOCS** are applicable to people of all ages, but the examples, stories and videos used focus on children up to five years old. It is recommended parents attend all seven workshops in sequence, because each workshop builds on skills from previous workshops; however, parents may attend any of the workshops in the series. **Parents only, childcare is not provided.**

HOT DOCS 6:30-8:30pm Hollywood Park Elementary 901 N. 69th Way Hollywood 33024

> Tuesdays November 3 November 10 November 17

HOT DOCS 9:30-11:30am Children's Diagnostic and Treatment Center 1401 S Federal Hwy, Ft Lauderdale, FL 33316

> Friday November, 13

This workshop is FREE! No Registration Required! For more information, contact Carol Beitler, FDLRS Program Specialist-Parent Services at 754-321-3400 or via email carol.beitler@browardschools.com

ESE Parent Workshop Information is available on the ESE website

http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/studentsupport/ese/html/WORKSHOP.htm



Broward ESE Advisory Council Meetings 2015-2016 At Piper High School 8000 NW 44 ST., Sunrise, Fl. 33351



ESE Advisory Meetings	TIME
November 18, 2015	6:00pm – 6:30pm Meet the Board 6:30pm-9:00pm General Meeting
December 16, 2015	6:00pm – 6:30pm Meet the Board 6:30pm-9:00pm General Meeting
January 20, 2016	6:00pm – 6:30pm Meet the Board 6:30pm-9:00pm General Meeting
February 17, 2016	6:00pm – 6:30pm Meet the Board 6:30pm-9:00pm General Meeting
March 16, 2016	6:00pm – 6:30pm Meet the Board 6:30pm-9:00pm General Meeting
April 20, 2016	6:00pm – 6:30pm Meet the Board 6:30pm-9:00pm General Meeting
May 18, 2016	6:00pm – 6:30pm Meet the Board 6:30pm-9:00pm General Meeting
June 15, 2016	6:00pm – 6:30pm Meet the Board 6:30pm-9:00pm General Meeting

Topics will be announced monthly on the parent link and website. Chairperson-Kelly Thomerson, 954-816-7996