

FRANKLIN FALCON NEWS

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COMMUNITY FLYERS UPDATE

As a service to the community, the Manitowoc Public School District posts flyers for upcoming events from nonprofit organizations on their homepage and Facebook page. Please visit the web site at www.manitowocpublicschools.org/for_families/community_flyers for additional information on the following flyers:

- Drop-in Chess Club, Manitowoc Public Library, November 8, 2023
- Manitowoc Shipbuilders - Girls Youth Basketball Program
- Learn to Skate - Manitowoc County Figure Skating Club
- Manitowoc Ships Youth Wrestling Program



SAVE THE DATE CORRECTION!

This year's concert will be held on **Tuesday, March 12**, not the 19th as originally posted. The performances are as follows:

- Kindergarten and first grade: 1:10-1:40 p.m.
- Second and third grade: 1:50-2:20 p.m.
- Fourth and fifth grade: 2:30-3:00 p.m.

We look forward to seeing everyone at this concert.

COLD WEATHER IS COMING!

Make sure your children are prepared for the cold weather that will be quickly upon us! Children spend time outside during the school day as long as the "feels like" temperature is zero or above. It is very important that they be prepared for the weather. Please make sure your child comes to school dressed appropriately by wearing a winter jacket, boots, snow pants (once there is snow!), a hat, and gloves or mittens. We recommend your child bring an extra pair of gloves or mittens in case they get wet.



VISION SCREENING

The annual vision screenings with the Lions Club was completed at Franklin on Wednesday, October 25. All kindergarten, second, and fourth grade students were screened. We cannot thank the Lions Club enough for all their help with this task! Healthy vision is a very important part of being able to learn.

Just a reminder, if your child did not pass the vision screening, a referral letter along with a copy of their results was sent home. Feel free to contact the school nurse if you have any questions.

STUDENT COUNCIL

We are excited to announce that Student Council is up and running! This year, we have 37 third, fourth and fifth grade students excited about being Student Council members. One of our popular community projects we enjoy working on is our food drive. Student Council members enjoy making the food drive posters, announcements and of course, "shopping" the Franklin School hallways for the food items! Watch for the dates which will be announced soon. Last year, with the help of our families and staff members, our Student Council members collected 1,011 pounds of food for Peter's Pantry, which helped many families in our community.



If you have a child in third, fourth, or fifth grade who would be interested in doing good things for our school and local community, they must complete a Student Council application. In 150 words or less, each student must write why they would be a responsible Student Council member and then receive signatures from their parent/guardian, two community members, a friend and two Franklin School teachers. Completed applications can be turned in to the office.

SFA NEWS

Hello Franklin families! As the first quarter ends and the second one begins, we are excited to see the reading growth of our students! On Friday, November 10th, we will have an all-school assembly to celebrate the accomplishments of both students and staff on our SFA journey.

How can you help support your child and Franklin with SFA?

- Be sure your child is at school ON TIME each morning. SFA is our first class of the day; being tardy means your child is missing valuable instruction.
- Sign your child's reading log Monday through Thursday evenings.
- Donate supplies to Franklin that will benefit many students. We could use spiral notebooks, post-its, binders, and page protectors. We also have kids who are in need of warm gloves if you are able to contribute.
- Questions? Please reach out to Brenda Heideman, Franklin SFA Facilitator (920) 663-9476 or heidemanb@mpsd.school.

MEDICATION REMINDERS

Does your child require prescription medication to be given at school? If so, these are the guidelines that the office staff must follow:

- A "Consent to Administer Medication to be Given at School" form, must be signed by both parent and doctor noting the name of the medication, dosage amount and time of day it is to be administered. You can pick up a form in the office or find it on the District website under Nursing Services>Parent Forms.
- All medication must be in the original container with the original prescription label on the container, which will be kept locked in the office health room. School personnel will dispense all medication. Students are not allowed to be in possession of medicine at any time.
- Please notify the school office immediately when the medication is discontinued. If the dosage is changed, a new form must be completed.

If your child needs to take nonprescription medication that is not prescribed by a doctor, we request the following:

- The office must have a completed "Consent to Administer Medication to be Given at School" form on file; however, since the medication is not a prescription, doctor's signature is not required.
- The medication must be in the original bottle or bag, or it will not be given.

- Only school personnel are allowed to dispense nonprescription medication. If a student comes to school with nonprescription medicine, they must give it to the office so it can be locked in the health room.

If you have any questions, please talk to the office staff.



LOST AND FOUND!

As you can see, our lost and found has *GROWN!* During the parent/teacher conferences on Thursday, November 2, we ask all families to please look and see if you can find a lost jacket, sweater, sweatshirt, hats, etc., that your child has misplaced. After conferences on Thursday, everything will either be donated to a local charity or discarded.

PTA NOTES

Happy Thanksgiving month! This year, we have two new PTA board members - Andrew Johnson and Samantha Grunow. Andrew is the newly minted PTA Treasurer, and he is looking forward to fulfilling the duties of this very important job of making sure the bills are paid! Samantha, "Sam," is the new President. She has been an active PTA member for several years, to include serving as vice president last year. Sam has three children, two of which attend Franklin School in the first and fourth grades. Her youngest child is in 4K at Riverview. In addition to being a very active member of the PTA, she is a Girl Scout leader and the area manager for Girl Scouts.



We had an amazing turn-out for our annual "Trick-or-Treat in the Hallways" family event. It was fun to see the staff all dressed in their costumes to welcome our little witches, ghosts, princesses, dinosaurs, lots of action figures, and our many Harry Potter fans to this fun family event. We even saw a giant chicken! We want to thank everyone for "feeding" the Franklin Candy Monster! With the help of your donations, we did NOT run out of candy this year!

Spirit sticks will be sold all day on Thursday, November 2nd, during parent/teacher conferences, and during lunch on November 15. All spirit sticks cost \$1.00.

It is never too late to join our PTA! We are always looking for volunteers to help with our family events. Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 15, 2023, in the library.

NOVEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER

November 2	Parent/teacher conferences, 8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Spirit stick sale all day
November 3	No school for staff or students
November 5	Daylight Savings Time ends (Remember to "fall behind" one hour!)
November 8	Student Council meeting, 7:30 a.m.
November 11	Veterans Day
November 14	Picture Retake Day, a.m.
November 15	Spirit stick sale during lunch in the gym PTA meeting, 6:00 p.m., library
November 17	Report cards go home
November 22	No afternoon classes (classes released at 11:30)
November 23-24	No school for staff or students (Happy Thanksgiving)

What's on the Menu?

MPSD Elementary School November 2023 Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		<p>1</p> <p>Blueberry Bash Waffles w/ Yogurt Cup or Jr Italian Sub</p> <p>Green Beans</p>	<p>2</p> <p>No School</p>	<p>3</p> <p>No School</p>
<p>National Nacho Day Nachos w/ Shredded Cheddar Cheese</p> <p>or</p> <p>Crunchy Fish Sticks Peas</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Hot Dog on a Bun</p> <p>or</p> <p>Lasagna Roll Up w/ Garlic Bread</p> <p>Green Beans</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Popcorn Chicken w/ Dinner Roll</p> <p>or</p> <p>Turkey & Cheese Wrap Baked Beans</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Blueberry Muffin Graham Crackers String Cheese or Grilled Cheese Sandwich w/ Tomato Soup Carrots</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Teriyaki Chicken over Rice Fortune Cookie or Strawberry Parfait</p> <p>Broccoli</p>
<p>13</p> <p>Big Daddy's Pepperoni Pizza</p> <p>or</p> <p>Chicken Soft Tacos Corn</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Chicken Nuggets w/ Dinner Roll</p> <p>or</p> <p>Italian Meat Sauce over Spaghetti Baked Beans</p>	<p>Holiday Meal Turkey & Gravy</p> <p>or</p> <p>Mini Corn Dogs</p> <p>Mashed Potatoes Harvest Bars</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Pancake Bites w/ Sausage Patty</p> <p>or</p> <p>Macaroni & Cheese w/ Garlic Breadstick Carrots</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Cheeseburger</p> <p>or</p> <p>Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwich French Fries</p>
<p>20</p> <p>Chicken Drumstick w/ Dinner Roll</p> <p>or</p> <p>Cheese Pizza Bagels</p> <p>Green Beans</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Nachos w/ Shredded Cheddar Cheese</p> <p>or</p> <p>Chocolate Muffin Cheddar Goldfish Yogurt Cup</p> <p>Peas</p>	<p>22</p> <p>1/2 Day Bag Lunches PBJ w/ String Cheese or Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Baby Carrots, V-Blend Juice, Raisins, Snack & Milk</p>	<p>23</p> <p>24</p> <p>HAPPY <i>Thanksgiving</i></p> 	
<p>27</p> <p>Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks w/ Sauce</p> <p>or</p> <p>Meatball Sub w/ cheese</p> <p>Corn</p>	<p>National French Toast Day French Toast Sticks Sausage Links or Corn Dog on a Stick Tater Tots</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Walking Taco</p> <p>or</p> <p>Chicken & Cheese Flatbread Carrots</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Pretzel Bites w/ Cheese Sauce Cup & String Cheese or Chicken Patty</p> <p>Baked Beans</p>	<p>Meal Prices</p> <p>Student: \$3.00 Reduced: \$0.40 Adult \$4.95 A la Carte Milk \$0.45</p>