

# Fort Meigs Elementary School

Weekly Family Newsletter March 15, 2024

#### Good morning, families!

I hope this weekly newsletter finds you well as we prepare to pass the mid-way point of March!

Today is an exciting day at the 'Fort as students will be coming home with their 3rd quarter progress binders for our families to review. As you peruse the binders, we encourage all of our families to celebrate the successes of our young people regardless of how big or small those successes may be. Our students and staff work very hard on a daily basis to make Fort Meigs the great place that it is. We hope you can be proud of the efforts. We are asking families to return the binders to the school by next Friday.

Also today we will be celebrating our 3rd quarter success with our quarterly Jacket Way assembly. Congratulations to all of our winners for the quarter and we will be most certain to share their names and their prizes moving forward.

Next week (on Thursday) we are very excited to host our annual Spring Arts Festival! Please see the details below, including the lineup of events, regarding the night and we hope that you can stop out and see the work our students have done and the acts that they have planned.

It's hard to believe that we are halfway through March! A small reminder that there is no school on Tuesday, March 19 and that spring break is March 25-29. Let's hope for a great week of weather. Thank you for letting me be your principal. Have a wonderful weekend with friends and family.

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### **Important Dates:**

- March:
  - o 15 Progress binders go home, Jacket Way assembly
  - o 19 Teacher in-service No school
  - o 21 Spring Arts Festival (see details below)
  - o 22 Progress binders returned to school
  - o 25-29 Spring Break No school
- April:
  - 8 No school (Solar Eclipse)
  - o 29-May 3: Book Fair (stay tuned for more information)



- May:
  - 1 Doughnuts with Grown-ups (last names L-Z)
  - 2 Doughnuts with Grown-ups (last names A-K)
  - 16 Field Day (stay tuned for more information)
  - 20 Jacket Way Assembly (stay tuned for more information)
  - 23 4th grade clap out and last day of school

# **Spring Arts Festival Information:**

- One of the most exciting events of the school year is our annual Spring Arts Festival! First, a very special thank you to Mrs. Cook and Mr. George for their efforts in preparing for the night with our students and all of our staff members who volunteer to make these types of events possible.
- The festival will take place on Thursday, March 21 from the time of 6:15 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. During this time families are encouraged to walk the building and observe the art work that our students have created over the course of the year,

You are cordially invited to attend our annual Arts Festival on



Dear Parents and Students: The performance schedule for this year's Festival on Thursday, March 21st will be starting at 6:30 PM. Performers should have everything set up in their performance roms hefore the Festival begins, and be in their performance room 10 minutes before their scheduled performance. Please enjoy the art displayed throughout the school



stop into our STEM lab to see the glow room, and observe performances from our young people throughout the school. The schedule of events can be found here: 23-24 - Fort Meigs Spring Arts Festival Program

• We hope that you are able to stop out and enjoy the evening with us.

# Interested in Becoming A Bus Driver? Come to our Drive a Bus Day!

• Perrysburg Schools Transportation is pleased to announce the first ever Drive a Bus Day. Citizens without a Commercial Driver's License (CDL) will have the opportunity to test drive a bus in a closed lot with the assistance of a trained bus driver. This event will take place on Saturday, March 23, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Perrysburg High School (13385 Roachton Rd., Perrysburg OH 43551). The school district is looking to hire bus monitors, contracted route drivers and substitute drivers. Please click this link for more information: Bus Driver Link.



#### **Booster Events:**

- We invite you to join us for our upcoming blood donation drive in partnership with the Red Cross. Your contribution could make a life-changing difference for someone in need. Sign up today!
  - o **Date:** Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - **Time**: 12pm 5pm
  - o Location: Perrysburg Commodore Building Cafeteria
  - To sign-up for an appointment:
    - Visit RedCrossBlood.org and use sponsor code: FTMEIGSPINT



- Use the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, text BLOODAPP to 90999 to download app
- Call 1-800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767)
- Walk-ins are also welcome but appointments are encouraged to help manage the flow of donors.
- Every student who recruits one presenting donor will receive a small gift from the American Red Cross of Northern Ohio.
- Additionally, we are looking for volunteers to assist donors with registration and maintain the cafeteria. Please consider donating your time here: <u>Fort Meigs Parent Boosters: Volunteer Red</u> Cross Blood Drive (signupgenius.com)
- Our spring flower sale is currently happening! We partner with
  Foertmeyer & Sons Greenhouses because not only are they an Ohio
  based company that grows our plants locally in Swanton, but also
  the plants are also grown pesticide free! New this year 6 new
  items and Perfectly Paired Plants suggestions to help with your
  garden planning.

## Key Dates:

- Sale Ends: Monday March 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm. *Note: late orders will not be accepted & sales cannot be extended this year due to spring break.*
- **Plant Delivery**: Wednesday May 8<sup>th</sup> Flowers can be picked up at Rivercrest park anytime between 10:30am-5:30pm.



# **District Available Supports:**

Items in this section are NOT updated on a weekly basis but serve as a home to find things quickly, as needed.

- Perrysburg Schools have several resources available to families who may need assistance in the areas of technology, internet, and meals. Below are the links that families should use in a case where assistance may be needed. Please feel free to click on the links to access the material. Should you have any questions please feel free to reach out.
- The Salvation Army is offering help for the Holidays to those families that may be in need. Please see the application/flier here: <u>Salvation Army Application</u>.
- Technology Economic Hardship Request.
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  - o Free Internet Request
  - Food Distribution
- Safer Ohio School Tip Line 844-723-3764
  - This is a free service that accepts calls and texts 24/7 and allows anyone to anonymously share information with school officials and law enforcement about threats to safety.
- Crisis Text Line text "4hope" to 741 741
  - People of all ages may reach out by text 24/7 to communicate with someone trained to listen
    and respond in a method that is free, private, secure and confidential. Data usage while texting
    Crisis Text Line is free and the number will not appear on a phone bill with the mobile service
    carrier.

#### Social Media Connections:

- You can follow me on Twitter here: @FortMeigsCooper.
  - I often post student pictures, upcoming events, school happenings, school delays or cancellations, etc. on this page.
- Our Fort Meigs Boosters have a Facebook page you can access here:
  - Fort Meigs Parent Boosters Facebook.
  - You can also follow our Boosters on Twitter at @FtMeigsBoosters along with their Instagram at Fort

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- Mrs. Joanne Cook, Fort Meigs Art Teacher, posts student work and accomplishments on this Facebook page:
  - o Mrs. Cook's Classroom Facebook
- Please check the <u>Community Events</u>, <u>Clubs</u>, <u>etc.</u> or click "Flyers" under the Parent tab on the district website (www.perrysburgschools.net) for information about community events, clubs and more! Information is updated weekly.