



# NEWSLETTER

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## Dragon Tales

*Ferndale believes in me. I believe it. I achieve it.*



Dear Ferndale Families,

We have had an AWESOME start to the school year and are settling into productive routines! It is amazing to see the growth, creativity and joy in the classrooms each day. The second quarter of school will soon begin, and your children are busy learning many foundational skills for early literacy, mathematics, science and social studies! We have a lot of exciting opportunities this month and hope you will be able to join us.

We hope you will be able to join our first Chat n' Chew. We like to have opportunities throughout the year to provide families with additional information. Our first one is November 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:15-9:45. We were fortunate to have the Anne Arundel County Public Library be able to join and support. They also do scheduled visits during media classes throughout the year.

Thank you to all of our PK4 chaperones who went on the B&O Museum and train field trip. Additional thank you to all who participated in purchasing spirit wear! We appreciate your support! We are looking forward to our Walk-a-Tho and hope many families will be able to participate to have funds to continue to help pay for assemblies, book giveaways and buses for future field trips. Ferndale is so fortunate to have such a dedicated group of families.

### Reminders and Important information

- It is important that all children have issued their at home device/Chromebook in preparation for county Virtual Instructional Days (VID). If you have not yet received your child's device. Please check your email. You need to first sign the user agreement. Once signed, we can send home the Chromebook with your child. Our next Chat n' Chew session in January will be sharing how to prepare for a VID day as well as other Apps on the Chromebook that can be helpful for practicing and building skills.
- As the weather begins getting colder, please dress your child in layers, as individual room temperatures vary. In addition, please send your child with warm clothing for outdoor recess and STEM. It is also helpful if items are labeled with your child's name so items can be easily identified.
- Lost and Found items are beginning to build up. If you are missing a coat or piece of clothing, stop by during conferences to pick up. Please label your child's clothing so they can be easily identified.
- Please remember any time you or your designated point of contact comes to pick up your child, you need to have your driver's license or government issued id. Please notify the office by calling or sending a note letting us know about any change in dismissal routines. Thank you for your support in this matter!

With gratitude,

Denise Faidley, Principal



### Mission:

Ferndale Early Education Center offers an early learning environment in order to create a strong academic, social, and emotional foundation. Through partnerships with students, families and the community, Ferndale Early Education Center empowers students to be successful individuals in today's diverse society.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER: 2023**

### **November**

Native American Heritage Month

### **November 1**

**School Closed**

Professional Development

### **November 5**

**Fall Back**

Daylight Savings Time ends



### **November 7**

Family Chat n' Chew- 9:15-9:45

### **November 9**

Student of the Month, Celebration

### **November 14**

**School Spirit Day**

Athletic Day- Wear your favorite Team!

### **November 16**

**Princess and Superhero**

Walk-a-Thon (during PE)

### **November 20**

Parent/Teacher Conferences

**No School for Students**

### **November 21**

Parent/Teacher Conferences- Virtual Meetings only

**No School for Students**

School Building is Closed; Staff will work remote from home.

### **November 22, 23, and 24 - Thanksgiving Holiday**

**Schools & Central Offices Closed**



## Updating Phone Numbers



Updating home and cell phone numbers and current addresses are very important information for the school to have on file. In the event your child becomes ill and/or needs to be released early, information on individuals to be contacted needs to be kept up to date.

Thank you!

## **Looking ahead Dates to Remember**

### December 5

2 Hour Early Dismissal; No PM ECSE

### December 6

Picture Retakes

### December 14

Student of the Month Celebration

### December 22

PBIS- Pajama Day- Were your PJs.

### December 25-29 and January 1.

Winter Break

Happy Holidays

## Fire Lanes



Fire lanes and bus loops are **not** to be utilized by staff, visitors, or spectators. Any vehicle parked in a fire lane **MUST** be moved to an authorized parking space. **This includes, bringing your student in late or picking your student up early.**

## SECURITY DRILL



**Each month the staff and students practice various security drills. In October, our school initiated an unannounced fire drill, an announced Earthquake Drill and an announced Tornado drill. We were able to evacuate the building and take shelter in a safe and timely manner. Students followed their teachers' directions. The staff and students did a marvelous job!**

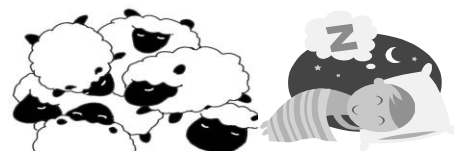
## November 2023 Brain Tip of the Month Brain Language



Sleep is enormously important to healthy brain development and learning.

Students need between 9.25 and 10.5 hours of sleep per night!

**SLEEP TIME**



## Counselor's Corner

### Student of the Month Program



Every month two students are chosen by each classroom teacher as the "students of the month." These are students who act as role models for other students, always displaying positive school behavior! Each month you can find the names of these students here in the newsletter and on a bulletin board in the hallway outside of the main office.

***Congratulations*** to the following students who were **"Students of the Month"** for the month of:

**October 2023**



Zain M. & Everest S.

Kane R. & Jeshri P.

Ezekiel P. & Kayleen E.

Ewan O. & Louis B.

Aerlyna T. & Eric Mc.

Olivia M. & Blake P.

Kai'li C. & Mila F.

Alaska B. & Kash B.

Mrs. Bullard's Class

Mrs. Christopher's Class

Mrs. Cockrell's Class

Mrs. Myles's Class

Mrs. Woznick's Class

Mrs. Escobedo's Class

Mrs. Murphy's Class

Mrs. White's Class

\* Please remind your child that any student can be the "student of the month."  
Please encourage them to work towards positive school behavior every day! \*



## News from the Cafeteria



### **Hello and Happy Fall!**

We are in full swing of serving breakfast and lunches here at Ferndale! The children are getting into good routines now of making good choices in the lunch line. Just a reminder... A free breakfast is served every day!

**A new item on the breakfast menu is smoothies! Other choices include:**

- ✚ Cereal, muffins, benefit bars, yogurt and cheese sticks, assorted breads, sweet potato rolls and graham crackers! It comes with a juice and milk and fruit if they choose.

**Hot lunches remain a hit as well. A big hit for lunches includes:**

- ✚ Chicken Tenders and Waffles, Sweet and Sour Meatballs, Pizza Sticks, Tacos and of course Pizza served every Friday! It comes with fruits/veggies and a milk.

**A cold grab and go is also available as well. It includes:**

- ✚ Yogurt/cheese stick, a grain (i.e. banana bread, or granola cereal, fruit cup. Milk and other fruits/veggies can be taken as well.

If your child is full pay, you may send in monies to be put on your child's account. A personal check is also accepted. Just make it payable to Ferndale Early Education Center and kindly put your child's name in the memo line.

Ask your child what they had for breakfast and or lunch.... you may be surprised of what they chose! It's always a good day when children eat a good meal...and of course it starts right here at Ferndale with breakfast.

Thank you! Cafeteria Team  
Mrs. Tyler





# Star Attendance



## October 2023



*Strive for 9 Attendance*

*or 90% attended for the month!*

We would like to recognize each month those students who are meeting or exceeding this goal!

***Congratulations!***

*To the following students:*

**Mrs. Christopher's Class:**

Olivia A.	Ayobami A.
Gemma F.	Aylin G.
John G.	Ryan G.
Lyric J.	Priansa K.
Maximilliano L.	Skylar M.
Martin M.	Eli M.
Jeshri P.	Joseph S.
Eda T.	

**Mrs. Cockrell's Class:**

Nadia B.	Brooklyn B.
Autumn D.	Darickson E.
Kamden H.	Camon J.
Ali M.	Ezekiel S.
Jameson T.	Theodore W.
Mellany M.	

**Ms. Myles' Class:**

Haris A.	Jay'Mari B.
Yahya B.	Ellieanna B.
Paxton B.	Naomi B.
Louis B.	Reagan D.
Aaron G.	Amir H.
Samuel N.	Henry P.
Kayden S.	Dalyla T.
Everly V.	Oscar V.

**Mrs. Bullard's Class:**

Henrietta D.  
Camden G.  
Wynter H.  
Zainulabideen M.  
Elijah S.  
Everest S.

**Mrs. Murphy's Class:**

Alina B.	Kai'li C.
Amia C.	Ethan F.
Mila F.	Karia H.
Lennox H.	Alijah L.
Emilio M.	Antonio S.
Ruth V.	Sebastian W.

**Mrs. Woznick's Class:**

Malaya B.	Leah E.
Ariyah E.	Matthias G.
Thiago G.	Jayda H.
Erik K.	Eric Mc
Celfido M.	Yosseli O.
Lina O.	Jose P.
Ava P.	Aerlyna T.
Wynta V.	Landon W.

**Mrs. White's Class:**

Nathaniel A.	Alaska B.
Charlotte C.	Maeva D.
Halima K.	Abby K.
McKinley L.	Almir M.
Vidita S.	Paisley S.
Landon S.	Roman W.

**Mrs. Escobedo's Class:**

Iker A.	Olivia Mc.
Martir C.	Ian M.
Harriet C.	Blake P.
Jude H.	Brooklyn Y.
Aveyon J.	



Dinky says, "Save the date!"

We invite all students and staff to participate in  
November's School Spirit Day!

Mark your calendar -

Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>

is

"Athletic Day!"

Show your support by wearing your favorite team's shirt or jersey!



# Superhero and Princess

## School Fundraiser Walk-A-Thon



On Thursday, November 16th all Ferndale Students will participate in a Walk-A-Thon fundraiser during their PE Class. Each student will walk laps and can earn money for Ferndale! Please see the important Fundraising letter that went home with all students in their folders. Participants will be given a chance to earn a Dinky water bottle and other prizes.

*Students are encouraged to dress up as a Princess or Superhero!*

# KNOW WHEN TO WASH YOUR HANDS



[www.cdc.gov/handwashing](http://www.cdc.gov/handwashing)



# SEPAMOS CUÁNDO LAVARNOS LAS MANOS



[www.cdc.gov/handwashing/esp](http://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/esp)





## **Attendance Message**

### **Strive for 9 or 90% (about 1/month)**

We are working hard to improve our students' attendance this school year. It is crucial that your child is here on time every day and ready to learn unless you have a lawful excuse and have notified your child's teacher. A few reminders about absences:

1. When your child is absent, you must provide a written note of explanation within three days of your child returning to school.
2. If your child is absent due to an illness for 5 consecutive days or more, you must provide a doctor's note.
3. Please notify your child's teacher and the health room if your child tests positive for COVID.

#### **Lawful absences include:**

1. illness
2. death in the family
3. religious holiday
4. court appearance
5. suspension
6. state of emergency
7. hazardous weather conditions
8. lack of authorized transportation.
9. a visit with a parent/guardian who is an active member.
10. of the military and has been called to duty for or, is on leave from, or immediately returned from deployment to a combat zone or a combat support posting.
11. Our school does monitor students who are chronically absent (missing 10% or more of the school year, as few as 2 days in one month, regardless of the reason). Teachers and staff will reach out to the families of these students in the form of a phone call, letter, or email to see what we can do to help.

Thank you for everything you do daily!

## *Teacher*

*A teacher is a...*

*T*houghtful Thinker who is

*E*xcellent at Educating

*A*mazingly Awesome students!

*C*lassrooms become a second...

*H*ome when teachers give Help and

*E*ncouragement, so the students can

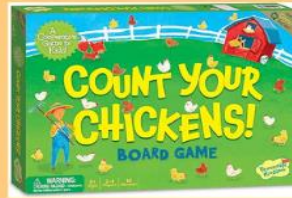
*R*each their full potential!

***Awesome Job!***

# MATH MOMENTS

QUICK TIPS ON HOW TO INFUSE MATH AT HOME!

PLAY COUNTING GAMES TOGETHER!  
HERE ARE SOME BOARD GAME  
SUGGESTIONS.



## FEEC Counselor's Corner

Hello Ferndale families,

~ A friendly reminder that the beginning of the school year can be a hard adjustment for anyone, especially when you are in preschool and school is a new experience for you. It is normal to have push back from your child about coming to school. Like most things with children **CONSISTENCY IS KEY!!!** If they are healthy the best thing for them is to come to school regularly so they can learn the routines and rules.

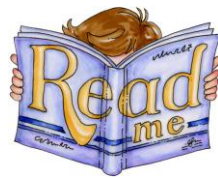
~ In counseling lessons over the next couple of months your child will be learning how to identify their emotions and regulate them so that they can have a successful school experience.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to email me:

[ckgreene@aacps.org](mailto:ckgreene@aacps.org)\*

Thank you,  
Cory Greene  
School Counselor


Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_



# November Reading Bingo

Keep track of where and when you read books all month long! Color in a square when you complete the activity. Complete 15 squares to win a prize!

**R E A D O**

On the couch	In my closet	Outside	At night	Right after breakfast
In the bathtub	In my bed	At 6:00 p.m.	On a Sunday	In my pajamas
In the kitchen	By a window		Laying on my back	While I was eating a snack
Laying on my stomach	In a closet	In the living room	On a blanket	I read to my favorite toy
On a Thursday	I read to an adult	At the library	In the car	After I ate lunch

Please return your completed card to your classroom teacher by December 1<sup>st</sup>.  
 You can also email your completed Bingo card to Mrs. May at [nemay@aacps.org](mailto:nemay@aacps.org) by  
 December 1<sup>st</sup>. Thank you!