



# IRISH PRIDE PRESS

November 2022 Newsletter

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## Important dates:

- Nov. 3  
End of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter
- Nov. 4  
Early Release  
12:15-Staff Work  
Day
- Nov. 6  
Daylight Savings  
Time ends-turn  
clocks back one  
hour
- Nov. 10  
Report cards will  
be online after  
school
- Nov. 14-18  
Hat and Mitten  
Drive
- Nov. 17  
Cookie Dough  
pickup 3:00-5:30  
Multipurpose Rm
- Nov. 24, 25  
Thanksgiving  
Holiday

We are a **NUT  
FREE** School.  
**NO Homemade  
or Store/Baker  
Bought Goods**



## Principal's Corner

November marks the final month of fall, and our thoughts turn to Thanksgiving Day. It is a great opportunity for us to celebrate the gifts of family, friends, health, happiness, and peace. It reminds us to take time to recognize the goodness in our lives... no matter how small. I encourage each family to take a minute before the stressful month of December comes, to connect with your child(ren) and appreciate how special he/she/they really are to us! It is especially this time of the year that we realize there is no greater gift, than the gift of a child!

We would also like to thank our parents for the partnership in their child's education. We had a great turnout for parent/teacher conferences. We also had our PAC and parents provide teachers with pizza, wings and walking tacos during the two days of conferences too. The generosity is greatly appreciated!

Finally, please help us welcome Nicole Van Handel and Mikayla Martin to FES as our new Paraprofessionals.

## Student Drop Off Reminders

### Student Drop Off

Please continue to utilize the car drop off line in the morning. Parents need to pull as far forward as possible before unloading. Please have students ready to exit the car. If possible, exit the vehicle from the passenger side. Please do not drop off before 7:35 a.m. Thank you for your continued patience with the morning drop off. Students should not exit the vehicle unless a staff member is present.

### Student Pick Up

For the safety of all the children, please refrain from letting your child(ren) run in the parking lot. Also, please enter our back parking lot slowly for parking at dismissal.

## Freedom Elementary Hat and Mitten Drive

The week of November 14-18, Freedom Elementary School will be collecting hats and mittens to give to the Freedom Area Food Bank. Please make sure the hats and mittens are in new condition. We will have a drop box for the hats/mittens in the lobby of the elementary school. Thank you so much for your support in this project!



Positive Pups for October

# Inclement Weather

Listen to the radio or TV stations listed in your Student/Parent Handbook, on page 6, for school delays and school closings beginning at 6:30 a.m. The office has alternative plans for all families whether students ride the bus or are picked up by a parent. If your plan changes or you have new information, please contact the school office.

# Friendly Reminders and Information:

## School Start Time Reminder

School begins at 8:00 am. If students arrive after 8:00 am they are considered tardy. Each tardy is equivalent to an absence. Please remember to call in your child's absence daily when they are sick or if test results are pending for that child.

## School Fees

If you have not paid your school fees for this year, you can go on e-funds to pay these or you can bring them to the office. 4K is \$30.00 and Kindergarten through Grade 5 is \$35.00. Milk Fee (optional for grades K-5). The cost is \$44.00 for the year. The cost for Early Childhood and 4Kindergarten milk break is \$22.00. Tech Fee for grades K-5 is \$15.00.

## Items Needed:

We are looking for pants for boys (joggers/sweats) sizes 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9 and girl's underwear sizes 4-10 at the elementary school. If you have any of these sizes you would like to donate, please send them to the elementary.

# Girls on the Run

Girls on the Run held the Pumpkin Run on Tuesday, October 25 at Freedom Elementary School. The girls did a great job and the next running event will be on Saturday, November 12 with all of the Girls on the Run in Northeast Wisconsin. Congratulations girls!



# PAC (Parent Activity Committee) News

Thank you for coming out to our 1<sup>st</sup> Skate Night! Everyone seemed to have an amazing time. We hope to hold similar nights in the future.

PAC provided Buzz's for teachers, custodians, administration and office staff who were at FES during conferences on October 18. Thank you to everyone that helped provide "Walking Tacos" for the staff on October 19. The staff was very grateful for the food on the long nights.

We are holding our **Spirit Wear Sale**. Forms were sent out last week and are due on November 1. We needed a quick turn-around to get the items for Christmas. Congratulations to Alyssa Stelow for winning the student contest for creating a design to use in the sale!

Thank you for sending in Shout Outs! The staff loves to hear the positive comments. There is no limit to amount you can send in. Use the link to send a staff member a Shout Out! <https://forms.gle/HYVzELJcA6pEagyY9>

The Student Directory has been emailed out to families that selected to receive it at registration. If you didn't receive the email, have any changes or if you wish to be added to the directory please email [freedompac1@gmail.com](mailto:freedompac1@gmail.com)

Thank you for supporting the Cookie Dough Fundraiser sale! We will have more information on totals and winning classes in the next newsletter. We appreciate your support! Pick up will be November 17 after school until 5:30.

The next P.A.C. meeting will be held November 21 at 5:30 in the staff lounge. Babysitting will be provided by National Honor Students in room 125 (right next door).

PAC has a website, [www.freedompac.org](http://www.freedompac.org). Please visit it to get more detailed notes on the meetings and PAC events at our school. If you sign up on the website, you will receive our monthly meeting agendas and minutes. You can also "Like" us on Facebook: [Freedom Elementary Parent Activity Committee \(P.A.C.\)](#)

If you have any questions or concerns, contact Erin Lenhardt, P.A.C. President, at [freedompac1@gmail.com](mailto:freedompac1@gmail.com).



# Reading at home makes a difference!

## *What you can do at home...*

### Reading Ideas:

- Read bedtime stories... (You read to your child and your child reads to you.)
- Have your child help you write and then read the grocery list to you as you shop.
- Write down a recipe for your child's favorite food. Read it and make it together.
- Get excited about reading and check out your local library.
- Play a board game... (Have your child read all the cards to you.)



### Reading Tips:

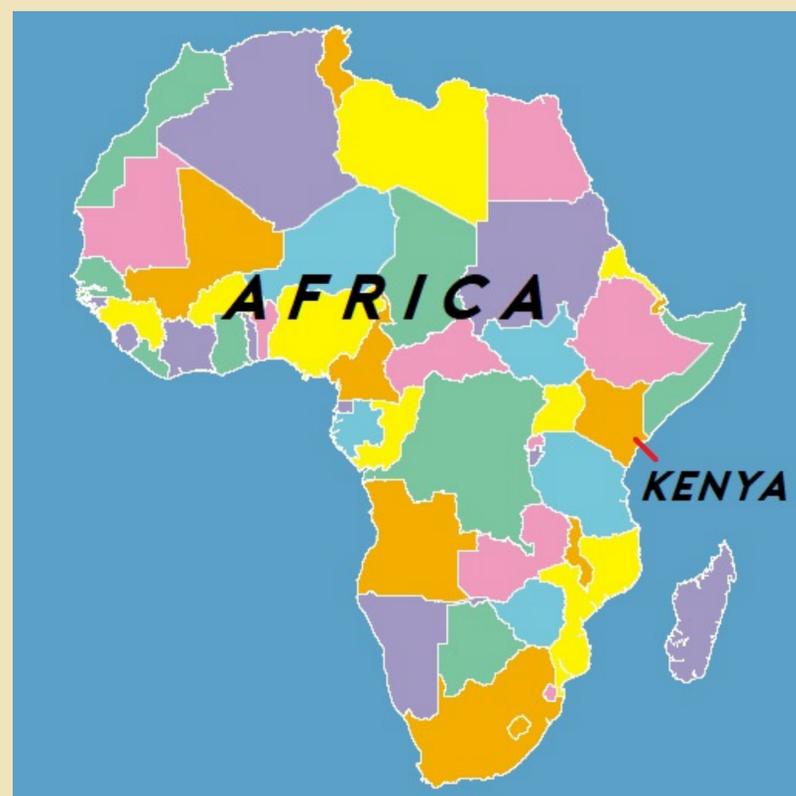
- Don't leave home without it! Always have reading materials available to read in the car, or when waiting for an appointment with your child.
- Once is not enough. Encourage your child to reread favorite stories. This helps to build fluency, speed and accuracy.
- Dig deeper! Ask your child questions about what they just read. Why do they think something happened? What else might happen?
- Encourage your beginning reader to follow along with his/her finger tracking words or print while reading and have them sound out unfamiliar words on their own.
- Be patient, correct gently and praise with enthusiasm!

*Help your child select some reading materials that interest them.*





**Former FES playground equipment removed in 2019 was donated and installed in October 2022 in Eldoret, Kenya. FASD is pleased to be apart of helping children around the world.**





## Battle of the Books (B.o.B.) Sign Up

**Who:** Open to readers in grades 4 and 5. Students can form teams of up to four readers per team. If a student is unable to form a team, we can assign him/her to a team.

**What:** The statewide Battle of the Books program is designed to promote a love of reading among our students. It encourages students to read a variety of books while remembering information about the plots, characters, and settings of the books. Every question asked in a battle is answered by the title and author of the book and takes the form of: Name the book in which a horse and a boy are stranded on an island. It is a fun, academic-based competition that has been very successful in school districts throughout the state in encouraging students to read.

**How:** Students will read 20 books, and then practice answering questions based on those books. We will provide books to loan out to students. By the end of January we will choose the top readers to form a team to compete in the state competition.

**When:** Students will meet every other Tuesday after school from 3:15 to 4:15 in Mrs. Presteen's room to practice questions with our first meeting scheduled Tuesday, November 8, 2022

Permission slip: (please return bottom portion)

My child will be attending (some/ most) Tuesdays after school. I will send a nut/free snack and water bottle for my child to have during these meetings. I will send a note to my child's teacher to let him/her know that my child will be staying after school. I will be at the school's entrance by 4:20 to pick up my child on the days of the meeting.

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Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_/email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Reader's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade & Homeroom \_\_\_\_\_

Return to school by 11/3

**After-School Tuesday meeting dates (pick up by 4:20):**

- 11/8
- 11/22
- 12/6
- 12/20
- 1 / 3
- 1/17
- 1/24

Freedom Athletic Association Summer 2023 Registration  
is now

**OPEN**



## **Baseball, Softball & Soccer**

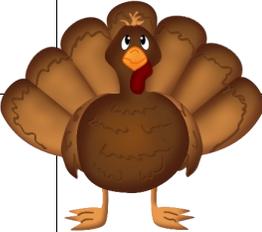
Registration open from 10/16/22 through 12/31/22

\*\*\$40 late fee added to registrations received after 1/1/23

<https://freedomathletics.sportngin.com/register/form/644114620>

# NOVEMBER 2022

## FREEDOM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 End of 1st quarter	4 Early Release 12:15 Staff Work Day Irish Pride Day	5
6 Daylight Savings Time ends-turn clocks back one hour 	7	8 Gr. 4 & 5 B.O.B. Meeting 3:15-4:15	9	10 Report Cards will Be online after school	11 Red, White, Blue Day 	12
13	14 Hat & Mitten Drive November 14-18	15	16	17 Cookie Dough Pickup 3:00-5:30 Multipurpose Room	18 Camo and/or Hat Day	19
20	21 PAC Meeting 5:30 Staff Room	22 Gr. 4 & 5 B.O.B. Meeting 3:15-4:15	23 <b>Fall Color Day</b> 4K-1 Wear Brown 2-Wear Orange 3-Wear Red 4-Wear Yellow 5-Wear Green	24 No School Thanksgiving Break 	25 No School Thanksgiving Break	26 
27	28	29	30			

# Freedom Elementary School Menu

## November 2022

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\*menu subject to change

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
<b>October 31</b> <b>Dracula in a Coffin</b> Curly Brain Fries Boo Beans pEARS Fresh Veggie Bar Choice of Witches Brew	<b>1</b> <b>Mini Corn Dogs</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>2</b> <b>Popcorn Chicken</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>3</b> <b>Chicken Nuggets</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>4</b> <b>Bag Lunch</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk
<b>7</b> <b>Chicken Taco</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>8</b> <b>Sloppy Joe Melt</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>9</b> <b>Hamburger</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>10</b> <b>Chicken Patty</b> W/Rice Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>11</b> <b>Chicken Tenders</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk
<b>14</b> <b>Diced Chicken &amp; Gravy</b> Mashed Potatoes Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>15</b> <b>Spaghetti w/Meatballs</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>16</b> <b>Salisbury Steak</b> Mashed Potatoes Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>17</b> <b>Chicken Nuggets</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>18</b> <b>Mini Corn Dogs</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk
<b>21</b> <b>BBQ Rib Patty w/Mashed</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>22</b> <b>Nacho Meat over Tostadas</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>23</b> <b>Turkey Dinner</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>24</b>  No School	<b>25</b>  No School
<b>28</b> <b>Chicken Tenders</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>29</b> <b>Hamburger</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk	<b>30</b> <b>Beef Taco</b> Vegetable Fruit Choice of Milk		<b>Student Lunch K4-1</b> \$2.55 <b>Student Lunch Gr 2-5</b> \$2.65 <b>Adult Lunch</b> \$4.35 <b>Milk</b> \$0.30