



# IRISH PRIDE PRESS

February 2019 Newsletter

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## Important dates:

- January 31  
Conference online  
directions go home
- Feb. 5  
Brain Bowl  
4K-Gr. 2
- Feb. 6  
Brain Bowl  
4K-Mon/Wed and  
makeups
- Feb. 13  
Parent/Teacher  
Conferences  
3:30-6:00
- Feb. 14  
No 4K class
- Feb. 14  
Early Release  
12:15 p.m.
- Feb. 15 & 18  
No School
- Plastic Bag  
Recycling  
Continues until  
April 11
- February is Dental  
Health Month

Continue to save  
**Box Tops for  
Education**

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School.



## Principal's Corner

It is hard to believe that the second semester is in full swing. I have been so impressed by our incredible achievements our students have made throughout the first semester of school. Report cards came home on January 29 to parents. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher. Please continue to read with your child or continue to encourage your child to be reading at home every night.

Thank you for your continued effort and contributions to your child's education. Just a reminder to send your child(ren) with their winter attire for recess. Students need to wear boots and snowpants to leave the blacktop.

## Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, February 13 from 3:30-6:00 pm. Conferences will be scheduled through the Skyward online Student Management Program. Families will no longer receive a paper copy of the scheduled conference times. Each family will have to schedule their own conferences through Skyward, for each child. If you have more than one child at Freedom Elementary School, each child will have to be scheduled separately. The Skyward scheduling window will be open February 1-8. 4Kindergarten parents will receive additional conference times on February 14 from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Parents will receive information on how to obtain their Student Access account on Thursday, January 31. If you do not have computer access, please call your child's teacher at 788-7950.

## Summer School

Summer School in the Freedom School District is just around the corner and it is time to start thinking about options for your child. Summer School is an opportunity to continue the educational process and keep your child connected to learning over the summer months. The Freedom Area School District will be offering Summer School 2019, at Freedom Elementary School, for elementary and middle school students, in one session. The session will be five weeks: *June 17 through July 18, 2019*. There is no school on July 4. You will soon be receiving information regarding online registration for summer school 2019! I will be working with the administrative team, summer school staff and the technology coordinators in our district to improve and enhance the online registration process. You can mark your calendars with the following dates: Online Registration Window is March 11 - April 18, 2019, Final day to pay course fees is Friday, April 26, 2019. We plan to continue our successful online approach to registration and hope to have ironed out any kinks that were encountered in the past.

## Parent Pick Up

Please try to park in approved parking spots. We have a few people parking in striped No Parking spaces. Do not park in grade level boxes next to the school.

## Shutterfly Opportunity

Here is a new opportunity for parents, friends, and relatives from our school photographer. Freedom Elementary School gets 8% of all purchases when anyone uses the Freedom Elementary Storefront URL <http://freedomelementary.shutterflystorefront.com/>

## Fang's Reading Club

Fang's Reading Club began on Monday, January 28. The dates to turn in each baseball are as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Baseball: Friday, February 8

3<sup>rd</sup> Baseball: Friday, March 8

2<sup>nd</sup> Baseball: Friday, February 22

4<sup>th</sup> Baseball: Friday, March 22

Students should turn each baseball into their classroom teachers on the specified date. The Freedom Family Night at the Timber Rattlers Game is **Friday, May 10** at the Timber Rattlers Stadium. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. DeGroot at 788-7950.



## Art Fundraiser

Families may have their students' art work printed on a variety of products to help raise money for the Art Program. Information will be sent home in March.

## Brain Bowl

The Brain Bowl will help fund the Teacher \$100 gift for educational classroom items. The Brain Bowl pledges were due on **Thursday, January 31**. Students in 4Kindergarten (Tuesday/Thursday) through Grade 2 will be asked the questions on **February 5**. Students in 4Kindergarten (Monday/Wednesday) will be asked the questions on **February 6**. Pledge monies are due by **Friday, February 22**. We thank all families who participated in this fundraising event for Freedom Elementary School. Ms. Kurkiewicz is the Brain Bowl Coordinator.

## PAC (Parent Activity Committee) News

The Brain Bowl Fundraiser will be held Tuesday, February 5 for 4K, T/Th - 2nd grade, (Wednesday, February 6 for 4K, M/W classes). We will be providing a pizza party for the class that has the highest percentage of participants and the class that raises the most funds. The top fundraising students will receive a "Brain Bowl Challenge" t-shirt. Everyone that participates will receive a pencil.

The School Dance will be held on Friday, February 8 from 6:00-7:30. This is a completely FREE event. All children need to be accompanied by an adult. Come join us for some family fun!

P.A.C. will be providing a meal for the teachers during Parent-Teacher Conferences on February 13. We will be sending a sign up email for the items needed. Thank you in advance for your help! The staff really appreciates it during their busy night.

Currently we have collected 878 pounds of plastic! Thank you for supporting this drive and helping the environment. Clean, plastic bags can be dropped off outside of the office in the bins.

Visit our website at [www.freedompac.org](http://www.freedompac.org) for meeting agendas and minutes. "Like" us on Facebook at Freedom Elementary P.A.C. (Parent Activity Committee).

The February meeting is set for Monday, February 11, Room 22 (Art room) 6:00. It was changed from the typical 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday due to no school that day. Free babysitting is provided by the Freedom High School National Honor Society. Please come join us!

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Erin Lenhardt at 851-3266 or [aelenhardt@gmail.com](mailto:aelenhardt@gmail.com)



## Jazzin' It Up in Music

As the final culmination project for their Jazz unit, the third, fourth and fifth graders will present their Winter Concert "Jazzin' It Up" on Monday, March 11. The concert will be held in the Freedom High School Field House beginning at 6:00 pm. All performers should dress up and be at the field house between 5:30 and 5:50 pm. The students are very excited to show you what they've learned about Jazz.



## Milk Moola Coming to an End

The Milk Moola Program, sponsored by Kwik Trip, Inc., will be coming to an end in March. The last day to turn in your Milk Moola caps will be March 1. Turn them in to the box in the school lobby.

