

FREDERICK DOUGLASS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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March/April 2017 Newsletter Volume 5

Dear Fred Families,

Where did the year go? Wow, time flies when you're having fun. It is so hard to believe that this is the March and April Newsletter. This time of year is what I like to call "crunch time." Here is how you can help us get through crunch time successfully:

- 1.) Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep each night.
- 2.) Continue to check the agenda-green or better! We want all the students to earn the spring fling.
- 3.) Make sure your child has the supplies that they need to be successful in school.
- 4.) Know that the teachers are really increasing the rigor and their expectations for learning and behavior.
- 5.) Send your child to school, **every day!** (Unless they are sick...really sick.)
- 6.) Make sure that we have your current contact information. When your phone number changes it makes it hard for us to contact you.
- 7.) Please, please, please, consider coming to "BEAUTIFICATION DAY" on March 25th, from 8:00am-12:00pm. We need help! Donations are also welcome. Bring your yard tools and gloves and family.

As we head into crunch time, I would like to thank you in advance for your support and help. We can't do it without you!

Carol Leveillee
National Distinguished Principal



Student Accomplishments



Congratulations to **Jasmine Warden!** She is a fifth grader in Ms. Whitelock's class. Jasmine won **FIRST PLACE** in the State Firefighters Essay Contest. Way to go Jasmine!



Our students, staff and families donated 418 cans of soup for our "Souper Bowl". We had 236 items on the NFC side and 182 items on the AFC side.



Special recognition to **Reid Washburn**, a fourth grader in Ms. Tingle's class. Reid coordinated his, Our Lady of Lourdes Columbian Squires Circle, to also collect soup. Reid and his squires donated 168 canned goods. The Seaford food closet and the Fred community extend a **HUGE THANK YOU TO REID!!**



Heartbeat of Fred



Huge thanks to ALL of the volunteers that helped with our February Book Fair

Tammy Hartman
Susan Chambers
Gary Bell
Glenn Rolfe
Randy Hayes
Melissa Wills

Wanda Cannon
Leon Cannon
Michelle Johnson
Tammy Hartley
Tina Washburn
Mason Washburn

Sentara Baine
Bill McNatt
Marilyn Coulbourne
Toni Taylor
Samina Barkat



Fred Character Connection



At Fred, we focus on the 3R's!

Respect- A feeling or understanding that someone or something is important in an appropriate way.

Responsibility- A duty or task that you are required or expected to do.

Right to Learn- Allowing others to learn by making good choices- a privilege to succeed by growing and leaning.

Upcoming Spirit Days at Fred

SPIRIT DAYS

March 24- The Future of Tomorrow

Dress up to represent a possible job or career that you would enjoy.

April 28- Highlighter Day

Dress in your brightest neon clothing.

May 26- Hat Day

Whether a ball cap or something a little more creative, hats off to a great year!



Frederick Douglass Pledge:

I pledge to do my best work, use my best manners, be on my best behavior at all times and in all places, to respect the adults, students and rules of Frederick Douglass Elementary School, because Frederick Douglass is my school, I'm proud to be here and I can make a difference each day.



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Frederick Douglass Purpose Statement:

To ensure success for all students, the Seaford School District Elementary Schools will build the foundation of this school community through:

- High Expectations for All
- High Quality Teaching and Learning
- Positive and Meaningful Relationships



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Frederick Douglass Student Dress Code

Outerwear:

Heavy coats, gloves and hats are not to be worn in the building

Hats are allowed on school sprits days

Pocketbooks are allowed so long as they are not a distraction

Body Garments: (tops and bottoms)

No undergarments should be visible

Shorts and dresses modest in length (modest is defined as the width of the students fingertips with his/her hand placed to his/her side)

Footwear:

All footwear should be securely fastened (less than 2 inch heels)

Sandals should be worn with caution especially for recess and physical education.

The whole foot should be covered for physical education.

If a student violates the dress code, the staff member reporting will notify administration, the school counselor or school nurse. Parents will be notified as needed.



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- You can purchase student accident insurance at: www.BollingerSchools.com
- You can follow our school on Twitter @CarolLeveillee
- Parents can write a note/letter to their child and "mail" it in the blue school mailbox. The office has a stamped envelope for you.
- Fred has a lost and found. It is located in Blue Jay Café.
- Save those box tops! Each one is worth at least 10 cents for the school.
- Parents can have lunch with their child any day.
- Please arrange with your child's teacher if you want to send in a **small store bought** treat to celebrate your child's birthday.
- Parents need to arrange with school administration at least 48 hours prior for an observation in the classroom.
- Did you know that there are several helpful links on our school's website that can give your child a little extra practice at what they are learning in school, all while having fun? Just follow these steps to get started:

- 1.) Go to www.seafordbluejays.org
- 2.) Click on Frederick Douglass Elementary School
- 3.) Click on the "students" tab, then choose "student links".

We hope you will find these links helpful!!

- HAC mobile for parents/students:

There is also a mobile app for Home Access Center that parents/students can download on their phones. They do not need a passkey, just their own username and password for HAC.

#fredstrong

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March, 2017

- 7th 6:30pm Middle School Night for **Grade 5**. Is at Seaford Middle School
- 24th Career Day- Show your School Spirit
- 25th 8am-12noon-School Beautification Day



April, 2017

- 3rd End of 3rd Quarter
- 5th 6:00pm PTO Meeting @ Blades Elementary
- Grade 5 State Testing/Science
- 6th Grade 5 State Testing/Science



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- 14th-23rd **SPRING BREAK**



- 28th Pep Rally! **PEP Rally**

****Any cupcakes, cookies and food products brought into school to share, MUST be store bought!!**