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FREDERICK DOUGLASS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

December brings us to the end of 2015, and January starts a new year for us, 2016!! I thought for the December/January newsletter, I would suggest some things that you can do to start the year on a good note, and begin 2016 strong.

1. Make sure that your child gets a good night's sleep each night.
2. Make sure your child does his/her homework.
3. Be sure to read with your child daily (even weekends and holidays) for at least 20 minutes.
4. Keep in close contact with your child's teacher.
5. Inform the office of any phone number or address changes.
6. Check to see if your child needs any new school supplies. The supplies from August might be wearing out or need to be replaced.
7. Make sure that you **DO NOT** drop your child off before 8:30 A.M. During the winter months, it is best if your child stays in your car in the line-up until we open the doors at 8:30 AM.
8. Make sure that your child is dressed for the weather, and make sure that gloves, hats, and coats come home each day. Our lost and found is overflowing already in the Blue Jay Café.

If I can do anything to help your child be more successful at school, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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Heartbeat of Fred Douglass

- Thanks to all of our families that came out to congratulate our students at the first quarter achievement assembly. We are going to make a few adjustments for the next assembly.
- We had about 15 families come to academic night. Thanks for coming out on a very rainy night to support your child.
- Thanks to all the families and staff that attended Dairy Queen night on November 19th

BLUE JAY NEWS

STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Congratulations to Ipsha Maharjan for being chosen as a winner in the 2015 Sussex County Firefighter's Association and Ladies Auxillary Fire Prevention Poster and Essay Contest. Thanks to Mrs. Shupard for entering her.



PBS CONNECTION

The 3 R's

Respect- A feeling of admiration for someone, treating others the way you want to be treated.

Responsibility- Being accountable, ability to act independently, and make decisions without authorization

Right to Learn- Behaving and acting appropriately in all settings so others can learn.

FREDERICK DOUGLASS VISION

The vision of Frederick Douglass is to create a caring and supportive environment in which all students achieve their highest potential and are prepared to move forward academically and socially on their path to college and career readiness.

The vision, mission, core values, SIP goals and progress will be communicated through parent meetings, paper and electronic communication and community outreach.

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 Fred Douglass Elementary School, because Fred Douglass is my school, I'm proud to be here, and I can make a difference each day.

Important December and January Dates

12/3- PTO Meeting 7:00 PM in Fred Douglass Media Center

12/4- 3-5th grade field trip to Del-Tech & PTO Family Fun Night from 6-7:30 PM in the cafeteria

12/8- 3rd and 5th grade field trip to Georgetown Courthouse

12/16- Winter Concert at Seaford High School Auditorium @ 7:00 PM

12/23-1/1- School Closed for Winter Break

1/7- PTO Meeting @7:00 PM in the Fred Douglass Media Center

1/18- School Closed – Martin Luther King Day

1/22- Professional Development – School Closed for Students

SPIRIT DAYS AT FRED DOUGLASS

12/22: Blue Jay Pride Day: Wear your Frederick Douglass Blue Jay Pride, or just wear blue and gold.

1/29: Jersey Day: Wear your favorite sports jersey!

2/26: Neon Day: Let's highlight all of our hard work by wearing neon colors!

3/23: Super Hero Day: Dress like your favorite Super Hero!

4/29: College and Career Day: Dress like your favorite college university or future career!

5/26: Crazy hats, glasses, hair and socks day: Wear crazy clothes, hats, glasses or socks!

BLUE JAY NEWS

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR HELPFUL LINKS TO GIVE YOUR CHILD SOME EXTRA PRACTICE AT HOME!!

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!!!!



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