



FRANKLIN TOWNE CHARTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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April 16, 2019

Upcoming Calendar items/Adjusted Dismissal Times:

Wed	Apr 17 th		Pep Rally – Superheroes vs. Supervillains Superheroes (Grades K, 2, 4, 6 & 8) wear costume or Green Supervillains (Grades 1, 3, 5 & 7) wear costume or Black	
Fri	Apr 19 th	School Closed		
Mon	Apr 22 nd	School Closed		
Tues	Apr 23 rd	PSSA English Language Arts Testing – regular dismissal time		
Wed	Apr 24 th	PSSA English Language Arts Testing Grades 1-8 dismissal at 1:30PM Kindergarten dismissal at 1:45PM		
Thurs	Apr 25 th	PSSA English Language Arts Testing Grades 1-8 dismissal at 1:30PM Kindergarten dismissal at 1:45PM		
Fri	Apr 26 th	**Change to Dismissal time** Grades 1-8 dismissal at 3:15PM Kindergarten dismissal at 2:45PM		
Mon	Apr 29 th	PSSA Mathematics Testing Grades 1-8 dismissal at 1:30PM Kindergarten dismissal at 1:45PM		
Tues	Apr 30 th	PSSA Mathematics Testing Grades 1-8 dismissal at 1:30PM Kindergarten dismissal at 1:45PM		
Thurs	May 2 nd	PSSA Science Testing (gr 4 & 8 only) – regular dismissal time		
Fri	May 3 rd	**Change to Dismissal time** Grades 1-8 dismissal at 12:30PM Kindergarten dismissal at 12:45PM No ASP		

Great Adventure Fundraiser – Franklin Towne is selling discounted tickets at Six Flags! Tickets are on sale for \$32 and are good for the entire summer season. Each ticket to the theme park includes Great Adventure and the Safari. They are available on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are interested, please send in cash (exact change only) or a money order made payable to Franklin Towne Charter Elementary School in a sealed envelope that is clearly labeled and includes your child’s name, homeroom, and the number of tickets requested. All proceeds from this fundraiser go to support our Towne Connections program.

Bake Sale- The 8th grade bake sale will take place this week at lunch and will continue everyday through Thursday, April 18th. Students can look for our eighth graders in the back of the cafeteria selling cookies, cupcakes, and more while supplies last. Please bring in change or small bills to support this eighth-grade fundraiser. Parents, please be conscious of sending money in with your child if he/she has a food allergy. The best way to monitor this is it pack them an extra “healthy” snack and not send your child in with money.



PSSA Testing – PSSA Testing is next week! Please keep in mind the following:

- **Rest:** Please make sure that your child gets to bed as early as possible. Rest is a huge factor in a child’s ability to perform well. The more rest they get, the better they will do.
- **Nourishment:** The kind of food eaten for breakfast makes a big difference in how long the meal will keep your child energetic, alert and successful on the test. A balanced breakfast, consisting of complex carbohydrates, protein and fat gives energy and prevents a drop in blood sugar for several hours, until snack or lunch time.
- **Be Punctual:** If you drop your child off in the morning, please make sure your child is here on time. Since we start this test first thing in the morning, it is critical that your child arrives with enough time to get settled and ready to do well! Students that are present and are on time each morning for all testing days each week will be rewarded with a Towne Dress Down Day on Friday of that week.
- **Uniform (Grades 3-8):** Students in Grades 3-8 should report in their regular uniform on testing days.
- **Relax and Be Confident:** Please encourage your child that they have done what they needed to do all year long and that they are ready! Pressure will only make them nervous. Your words of encouragement go a very long way. We will be doing similarly with a rally on Wednesday, April 17th as Franklin Towne Superheroes vs. Supervillains for our Super Test-takers!



Planning for 2019-2020: With just under two months remaining in this school year, we wanted to highlight some important dates from the calendar for **NEXT** school year for your planning purposes:

- **Meet Your Teacher Day/Supply Drop-off:** Thursday, August 29, 2019
- **First Day of School (Grades 1-8):** Tuesday, September 3, 2019
- **Winter Break:** Dec 24, 2019-Jan 1, 2020
- **Spring Break:** April 6-10, 2020
- **PSSA Testing: ELA:** April 20-24, 2020; **Math & Science:** April 27-May 1, 2020
- **Last Day of School:** June 12, 2020

*Please note that dates are subject to change. The most up-to-date calendar is always available on our website.

All the best,

Eugenia Koo, Head of School