

FREDERICK DOUGLASS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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February Newsletter Volume 4

Hello, Fred Families!

Happy New Year! 2017 is going to be a great year at Frederick Douglass Elementary School! Below are some things you can do to help with that success:

- 1.) Remind your child to carry the 3R's to school each day (green or better!)
- 2.) Make sure your child completes their homework each night.
- 3.) Attend our One Book/One Fred Celebration on February 15th, at 6:00pm.
- 4.) Check in with your child's teachers to see how they're doing and to see how you can help.
- 5.) Support our Book Fair during the week of February 13th-17th, purchase books and sign up to volunteer.
- 6.) Consider volunteering at our school.
- 7.) Contact me if I can do anything for you or your child or if you have any suggestions for Fred.
- 8.) Plan on helping at our "Spring Beautification Day". More details to come.

Thanks for your continued support as we make 2017 even better than 2016!

Carol Leveillee
National Distinguished Principal



Student Accomplishments



Congratulations to **Zane Adams** and **Jasmine Warden**, for being chosen as a winner in the 2016 Sussex County Firefighter's Association and Ladies Auxillary Fire Prevention Poster and Essay Contest. Zane won third place in the Essay Contest. Jasmine won the first place in the Essay Contest. Jasmine now moves on to State Competition. Kudos to Zane, Jasmine and Ms. Whitelock, their teacher.



Very proud of **Autumn and Trey King!** They assisted with the Moving Mountains Project at St. John's Church in November.



Fred has "**2**" Published Authors! **Rebekah Cullen** and **Marta Navarro!** They have been selected by the Young Writers of America, to be nationally published poets!

What My Family Means to Me...
Rebekah Cullen

What does family mean to Me?
To me, my family means people who let me be,
They support and care.
They treat me fair,
They love me dear,
And are always near,
Separation from them I fear.

I hate to wonder what life would be like without them.
Being with them makes me feel like a gem.
Even though I've cried,
Because some have died.
They still remain in my mind
Because they were of so kind.

Even though siblings can be annoying,
Being with them I am enjoying.
I never want to lose their love,
They treat me like a mother does.
I love them so...
I pray they never go.



Continued Student Accomplishments...



What My Family Means to Me...
Marta Navarro

The clouds are far apart but that will not start
My family is in my heart.
My mom loves me, and I love her.
We cuddle up in the winter.

She said she will not let me down
Or make me frown.

I get mad at her, but she gets mad at me.
But we're family, so we just let it be!

My brothers are annoying,
But I am still enjoying
The time with them
Back then.

This is how I love them...
Forever until the end!

Impressive Rebekah, Marta and Ms. Whitelock, their fifth grade teacher.



Thanks to all of the Fred families that came out to support McTeacher Night on January 12th. Our PTO earned \$490.11. Way to go Fred!



Much appreciation to the Fred families that donated soup and canned goods for our Fred "Souper Bowl."



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

February 24- Crazy Hair Day

Spiked, sprayed, or styled-we want to see some crazy hairdos!

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.

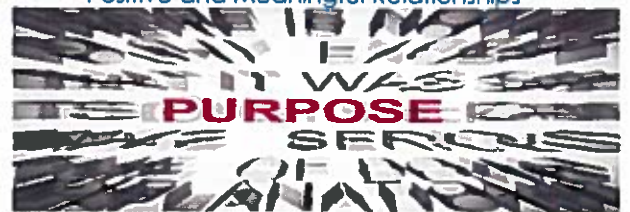


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Frederick Douglass Purpose Statement:

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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Did you know?

- 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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February, 2017

- 9th **Achievement Assemblies** (your child will receive an Invitation, if receiving an award)



- 13th-17th **School Book Fair**



- 14th **Grandparent/Someone Special Luncheon**



- 15th **6:00pm One Book/ One Fred Celebration**



- 20th **Schools closed for President's Day**



- 24th **Crazy Hair Spirit Day**

