

PANTHER NEWS 2023-2024

Newsletter 6, January 2024



From the Principal

Dear Frederiksen Community,

I hope your holidays were full of fun and family! Mine were certainly a lot of fun, but I am excited to return to school. Judging from the comments I've received, many of you are too!

We are implementing a few changes post-winter break. One is a change to how we do our lunch time procedures. Now that our MPR and other construction projects are complete, we have been able to build in more time and structure into our program. As a result, students will get more time to eat their lunch each day. Additionally, we have added a lot of new rewards to our red ticket system, such as picnics with the principal, class pajama parties, and many more! Our goal, as always, is to create a healthy and happy student body who have all of the tools they need to learn.

This month's social emotional learning focus is gratitude. We have defined gratitude as, "Choosing to appreciate the people and things in our lives." I strongly believe in modeling the things I would like to see happen, so I will simply say that I am grateful to you all for the opportunity to work with you and your students every day!

Matt Britten
Principal
Frederiksen Elementary School

Important Links & Dates to Note

- [Frederiksen Elementary Website](#)
- [PFC Website](#)
- [Dublin Unified School District 2023-2024 School Year Calendar](#)
- [Elementary School 2023-2024 Bell Schedule](#)
- [Frederiksen 2023-2024 Calendar of Events](#)
- [Map of the Frederiksen Classrooms/Teachers](#)
- [Where do I go? Who do I talk to?](#)

January 9: School resumes

January 15: NO SCHOOL (Martin Luther King Day)

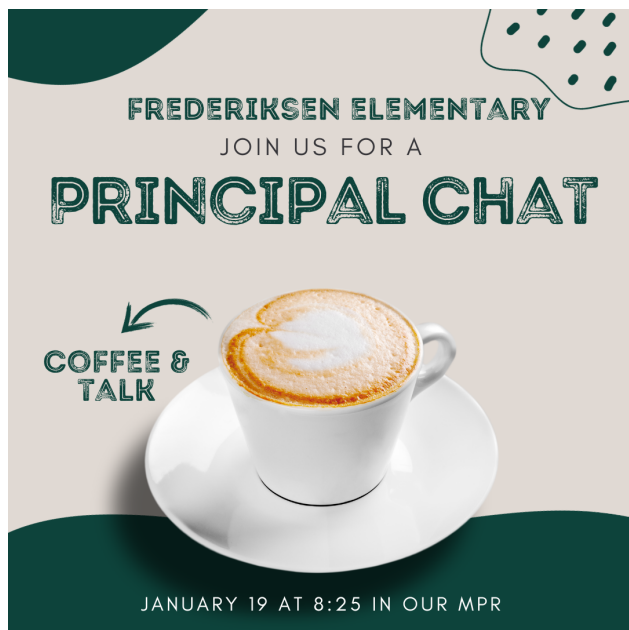
January 19: Principal Chat at 8:25 (MPR)

January 26: PFC Movie Night (MPR)

January 29: Minimum Day *Dismissal for TK at 11AM and Grades 1-5 at 12:32PM

Upcoming Frederiksen Events

Principal's Chat: January 19 @ 8:25AM (MPR)



Attendance

We would like to remind you of some of our attendance policies here in DUSD. As a district, we adhere to the following attendance policies outlined by the State of California and Dublin Unified School District. ***The State of California considers fourteen (14) days of absences for one school year for any reason, excessive.*** After 14

days, a medical note is requested for each subsequent absence during the school year if the absence is due to illness or medical appointments.

Under our current attendance policies, family emergencies are considered unexcused.

Student absences are excused due to:

- Personal illness
- Quarantine under the direction of a county or city health officer
- Medical, Dental, Optometric, or Chiropractic appointments
- Attendance at funeral services for a member of the immediate family (one day if the service is conducted in California, three days if out of state, and five (5) days if out of the country.)
- illness or medical appointment of parent or guardian
- Court appearance
- Naturalization ceremony of student
- Passport appointment excuse for one day
- VISA appointment not more than five days if it is an out-of-country
- Observation of a holiday or ceremony of the student's religion
- Religious reasons, not to exceed four days per month.
- Parents will have 72 business hours to clear the absence once a student has returned to school.

While these policies are not new, this is a friendly update to inform you that we will adhere to these attendance policies throughout the school year. Thank you for your partnership as we work together to ensure your student is at school every day, ready to learn and succeed. Please note that school districts do not receive funding from the State of California for students who are absent from school regardless of the reason. We do not receive funding for any absence (excused or unexcused) including for those related to illness, medical or doctor appointments or for the purpose of attending funeral services. If your child feels well enough to learn, they should attend school.

Health Office

We hope that you had a wonderful Winter Break!

Gentle reminder for cold and flu season:

Please keep your student home if they are sick.

We've seen a large increase in colds, flu, and other illnesses.

If your child is sick and has any of the following, they must stay home for at least 24 hours without the use of medication before returning:

- Please DO NOT send your child to school if they have a fever over 100 degrees. They need to be 24 hours fever free without medication before returning to school.
- Please DO NOT send your child to school if they have vomited. They need to be free from vomiting for 24 hours before returning to school.
- Please DO NOT send your child to school if they have diarrhea. They need to be diarrhea free for 24 hours before returning to school.

If your student has COVID or flu like symptoms, please report absences on Parent Portal or call the Attendance Line at (925) 828-1037 (ext. 2).

Any doctor's notes may be emailed to larsenlaura@dublinusd.org.

Thank you for helping us keep Frederiksen healthy and welcome back!

Covid Test Kits Available: We have Covid test kits available in the front office while supplies last.

From the Counselor

Welcome back and Happy 2024! It is going to be a great year. I hope you had a wonderful break with your families filled with quality time, rest and fun. In December, we were practicing the character trait of **Kindness**. We are very fortunate to have a very kind community here at Frederiksen. In January, we will be focusing on **Gratitude**- *Choosing to notice and appreciate the people and things in our lives*. "Gratitude turns what we have into enough." Perspective is everything. :)

DHS Buddies will be on site on January 10th.

We will begin new small groups in January to help with learning strategies, self-management skills, and/or social skills. If you are interested in having your child join one or in having him/her meet with me individually feel free to reach out to their teacher or directly to me fenglauren@dublinusd.org

Upcoming PFC Events

- PFC Dine Out: January 18 @ Taqueria Azteca
- PFC Movie Night: January 26 *Please note that the PFC is offering Hot Dog Meals PRESALE ONLY. Hot Dog Meals can be purchased [here](#).



TAQUERIA AZTECA DINEOUT!



**THURSDAY, JANUARY 18 2024
ALL DAY (8AM - 9PM)**

7155 AMADOR PLAZA RD, DUBLIN
P. 925.833.0888
WWW.TAQUERIAAZTECA.COM

BE SURE TO MENTION YOU'RE DINING FOR
FRED AND 30% OF YOUR CHECK WILL GO
BACK TO OUR TERRIFIC SCHOOL!

Frederiksen Elementary
PFC Presents:

**FAMILY
MOVIE
NIGHT**

Hot Dog meals
available for pre-
purchase! Meal
includes hot dog,
bag of chips, and
a drink.
\$4 each

FREE
FAMILY
FUN
EVENT!!

When: **Friday, January 26th**
**Doors will open at 6:00pm and movie
will start at 6:30pm sharp.

Where: **Frederiksen Elementary MPR**

Please scan QR code to Pre-
Purchase a Hot Dog Meal.

****Bring blankets and chairs!!**

Upcoming Events within our District

DHS VARSITY DANCE TEAM Buddy Camp

*FOR 3RD-8TH GRADERS

FEB. 3, 2024

COST: \$75



CAMP INCLUDES:

- 10AM-2PM DANCE CAMP
- HALF TIME ROUTINE
- DANCE TEAM T-SHIRT AND HAIR BOW
- PERFORM AND CHEER WITH DHS VARSITY DANCE TEAM AT THE DHS GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL GAME @ 7:30PM

INFO AND REGISTRATION: tinyurl.com/DHSVarsityDanceTeam