

The Fountain Pen Fountain City Elementary Family Newsletter

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Fall Has Come to FCE!

OCTOBER EVENTS

~This month we **begin our October PTO fundraising event** with the annual FCE Peecat Prowl. **The Peecat Prowl Kick-Off is Monday, October 28th.** Look for collection envelopes to come home then.

~All Peecats should be at school every day in order to learn. When children arrive late or leave early, they miss important instruction! **Please make sure school attendance is a priority.**

~We know how important it is to communicate well with you. **Please check your child's Friday Folder every week and sign and return on Monday.** Please send the teacher notes, emails, or phone messages when you need to talk to him or her. Our office is open 7:15-3:15, M-F.

~Please remember when picking up your child in the car line to please wait until our stop sign operator says to proceed before pulling out. This is for the safety of our students. **Please do not pass cars in the oncoming traffic lane.**

~GET YOUR CHILD INTERESTED IN READING!

The key to encouraging reading habits in child is reading with them at home from a young age. By reading together often, your child will learn first hand the joys reading can bring, helping him or her develop a motivation to read.

1st – Walk to School Day; Grandfriends day for grades k, 2, 4,

2nd - Grandfriends Day for grades 1,3,5

4th – End of grading period; Schoolwide fun Day!

7th-11th – FALL BREAK; No school

16th – 4th grade field trip to Ijam

18th - 1st grade field trip to Marble Springs; report cards go home

21st -25th – Red Ribbon Spirit Week

25th – Awards Assemblies (K-2 at 8:15; 3-5 at 9:30)

28th – Peecat Prowl kick off

29th – Picture retakes

“WHERE’S YOUR SPELLING LIST?”

As parents we always look for ways to help our children study at home. One way we feel we can easily support student success is to practice spelling words from a weekly list. Knox County Teachers are moving toward a new approach that teaches students to recognize spelling patterns, syllables, and meaningful word parts (prefixes, suffixes, root words, etc....) Research shows that teaching students sound patterns will teach them to spell, and not just memorize words. This type of spelling instruction is foundational to reading and writing success at every grade level. **So, instead of receiving a weekly list of spelling words to memorize, your child’s teacher will share the spelling patterns that are taught, along with examples of words that use those patterns.** At the end of the week, students write sentences dictated by the teacher. Sentences include words with those patterns to show us if students are correctly applying the patterns to spell words.

Fountain City Red Ribbon Spirit Week is October 21-25

Monday - Western Day

Tuesday - Disney Day

Wednesday - Crazy hat/Hair Day

Thursday - Hawaiian day

Friday - Wear Red Day

Pepcats say “NO” to Drugs!

End of the First Nine Weeks Grading Period & Awards Assemblies*

The end of our first nine-weeks grading period is Friday, October 4th. Report cards will come home on October 18th, in the Friday Folders. Our Awards Assembly is scheduled for Friday, October 25th. *Parents will be notified by a teacher’s note if their student has earned an award!

Fall Picture retakes will be on Oct 29th

Looking ahead
Fall Parent teacher conference week will be:
Nov 11-Nov 15



Coupon Book Sale Update - Thank YOU!

Our KCS Coupon Book Sale has will be ending on 9/30/ 19. Thank you for your support in raising funds for technology, classroom supplies and playground equipment and repair that will benefit all Pepcats. We are thankful for YOU! We met our goal of selling 1250 book! For meeting our goal, we will be having our no work fun day on Friday October 4th, 2019.