

NOW SHOWING

MALLARD MONTHLY

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Special April Dates

April 4—Students return from spring break

April 5-8 MAP testing

April 8 Report cards issued

April 14 Talent show

April 20 Collaborative Planning Day – Students dismiss at 11:40

April 22 Students report to School—not a weather make-up day

April 22 All Pro Dads 7:00 A.M. in FPES Learning Commons

Upcoming Events

May 12 PTO Bingo Night at 6:30 P.M. in FPES Cafeteria

May 16 Students report to school – not a weather make-up day

May 18 Last day to register for 4 year old kindergarten

May 27 All Pro Dads 7:00 A.M. in FPES Learning Commons

May 30 Memorial Day Holiday—No School

May 31 PTO Skate Night

School Notes

Office Hours 7:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

School hours: 7:35 A.M. - 2:20 P.M.

Please make sure all transportation changes are made in writing.

No dismissals are allowed after 1:45 p.m.

It is important to have your child to school on time each day so they get their day started in a positive manner. If your child arrives after 7:35 A.M., they are tardy and must be signed in by an adult 18 years of age or older.

Breakfast and lunch menus can be found on the district website www.lexington1.net.

Please do not drop off students in the parking lot in the morning. All car riders must be dropped off in the car rider line where there is an adult on duty to assist.

Please write a parent note or send a doctor's excuse when your child is absent from school.

It is important to your child's safety that all contact information is kept up to date. Please make any changes needed in writing and send to Ms. Ewing.

Applications are being accepted for our 4-year-old program (4K) starting January 25, 2016.

Children eligible must turn four years old on or before September 1, 2016.

Screening will be taking place in May 2016. This screening process is available for families living in the Lexington School District One attendance area.

For additional information, please call the school office at 821-2500.



Forts Pond Elementary School is a Title One school. Additional information about our Title One plan is available on our website.

Date Changes To Make Up Days Missed in October

- **April 22** students report to school
- **May 16** students report to school

PTO NEWS

Thanks to all for the tremendous support for our spring fundraiser!

Look for upcoming Bingo Night and Skate Night in May.

Want to be kept up to date on all that PTO is doing???? Like us on Facebook!
www.facebook.com/mightymallardspto

Chic-Fil-A Biscuit Sales

Check it out in our carline before school at 7:00 A.M.. All proceeds go to **RELAY FOR LIFE**.

\$3.00 each

Friday, April 8
Friday, May 6



Any businesses or individuals wishing to make a donation to Relay for Life as a sponsor needs to do so SOON. Please submit donations to Diane Dunbar by April 12. If your sponsorship is \$100 or more your name or business' name will be printed on the RFL t-shirt. For sponsorships of \$700 & up, your name or business' name will be on a banner hanging on the fence at the Relay for Life event. **SAVE THE DATE** for our district Relay for Life event on **May 13 from 7 P.M. to 12 A.M.**

One School, One Book

What is One School, One Book?

OSOB is a reading initiative which encourages parents to read aloud to their children. The benefits of reading aloud are remarkable. Studies have shown that reading to children helps them to listen better and longer, build bigger vocabularies, understand concepts better, feel positive about both books and learning – and much more.

When an entire school reads the same book, the buzz and excitement around the book enhances these benefits. Reading a book together brings the added joy of building and expanding a sense of community among students, parents, teachers, and staff – and beyond.

How do we participate?

Every student received a copy of the book *Lemonade War*. Read a chapter together each night to your child. As you read the book, ask your child to retell events from the story. Remind your child to listen for the trivia question each morning during our morning announcements. We would also love for you to send pictures of you and your child reading together to lpoole@lexington1.net

Join us for a Book Talk on Friday, April 8th at 7:00 A.M. in FPES Learning Commons.

All Pro Dad's Day— Friday, April 22, 2016

7:00 A.M.— 7:30 A.M. in the Learning Commons.

This is an **open invitation** to *Dads, Granddads, Uncles*, or any other significant person who may be a part of your child's life. Come and enjoy a light breakfast and some "special moment" time as we strive to grow in the time we spend with our children.



If you have questions, please feel free to contact Mr. McDermet at 803-821-2500.

Title One School Improvement Council Meeting

It is time for our committee to continue developing our title one plan for the 2016-2017 school year. You are invited to hear what we are doing to prepare our children for the 21st century. Also at this time you will be able to provide input on how we can better serve the children of Forts Pond Elementary.

At this meeting we will also have several students talking about the 7 Habits. They will share what each habit means and answer any questions you may have about FPES being a Leader in Me School.

We will hold two meetings on April 14, 2016 to accommodate various schedules. One meeting will be held at 7:30 A.M. and another meeting at 5:00 P.M.

Forts Pond's Got Talent

FPES will be presenting "Forts Pond's Got Talent" on Thursday, April 14th. You don't want to miss a great night of entertainment. Please come and join us.

Date – Thurs., April 14, 2016

Location - FPES Cafeteria

Time – Show starts at 6:00 P.M.

Admission - \$2 per person

Please bring cash and extra change to vote for People's Choice Winner.

We can't wait to see all of our talented leaders perform at FPES!



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April Children's Books for The 7 Habits

Habit	Grades 4k-2	Grades 3-5
Habit 6—April 4, 2016	Dinosaur Woods by George McClements	Baseball Saved Us by Ken Mochizuki
Habit 4—April 11, 2016	I Absolutely Must Do Coloring Now -Charlie	The Button Box by Margarette Reid
Habit 5—April 18, 2016	Because Amelia Smiled by David Stein	Thank You Mr. Falker by Patricia Polacco
Habit 6 — April 25, 2016	Sally Jean the Bicycle Queen by Cari Best	Henry's Freedom Box by Ellen Levine

First in Math

Week of February 29

Team of the week— Ms. Spence

Player of the week— Tyler Lee in Ms. Siceloff's class

Grade Level teams of the week are Ms. Bledsoe, Ms. Elliott, Ms. Spence, Ms. Cribb, and Mr. Shealy.

Week of March 7

Team of the week— Ms. Dingeldein

Player of the week— Tyler Keenan in Ms. Dingeldein's class

Grade Level teams of the week are Ms. Still, Ms. Bledsoe, Ms. Elliott, Ms. Dingeldein, Ms. Cribb, and Mr. Shealy.

Week of March 14

Team of the week— No team winner this week

Player of the week— Jaiden Myers in Ms. Siceloff's class

Grade Level teams of the week are Ms. White, Ms. Burnett, Ms. Fedricci, Ms. Bain, and Ms. Veselak.

Week of March 21

Team of the week— Ms. Spence

Player of the week— John Roof in Ms. Bain's class

Grade Level teams of the week are Ms. Bledsoe, Ms. Elliott, Ms. Spence, Ms. Veselak, and Mr. Shealy.

Week of March 21

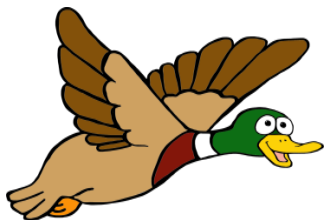
Team of the week— Ms. Bain

Player of the week— Darren in Ms. Gambill's class

Grade Level teams of the week are Ms. White, Ms. Elliott, Ms. Burnett, Ms. Bain, Mr. Weber and Mr. Shealy.

Congratulations to Tyler Keenan in Ms. Dingeldein's class for earning the most stickers during spring break!

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Lil' Mallards Pre-Schoolers Book Club

Beginning April 5, 2016

10:00 A.M.—11:00 A.M.

Forts Pond Elementary School

Parent Resource Center located in Portable #5

Our Book Study will be the “*7 Habits of Happy Kids*”

April 5: Habit 1 Be Proactive

April 15: Habit 2 Begin with the End in Mind (on Friday instead of Tuesday)

April 19: Habit 3 Put First Things First

April 26: Habit 4 Think Win-Win

May 3: Habit 5 Seek First to Understand, then to be Understood

May 10: Habit 6 Synergize

May 17: Habit 7 Sharpen the Saw

May 24: Celebration!

This reading/music/craft time is designed for ages 3-5 year olds who are zoned for Forts Pond Elementary but not currently enrolled and their parents/grandparents/family members. Light refreshments will be provided.

For more information or to register your child, please call Judy Moore, Parent Engagement Liaison at 821-2552 or email jvmoore@lexington1.net

