

NOW SHOWING

MALLARD MONTHLY

October 2015
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Special October Dates

October 1-Student Led Conferences 2:40-6:00 pm

October 2- Student Led Conferences 8:00-12:00

No School for students

October 5-9 -Fall Book Fair

October 7-Early Release Day Students dismiss at 11:40 am.

October 1,8,15,22-Thursdays Wear Orange for Bullying Awareness Month

October 12- 23-Supplies for Soldiers collection

October 23-All Pro Dads 7:00-7:30 am

October 26- 30-Red Ribbon Week

Upcoming Events:

November 4- Early Release Students dismiss at 11:40am.

November 6-Picture Make-Up Day

November 7- Run Hard 5K

November 11-Veterans Day

November 17- PTO Bingo night at 6:30pm

November 20- All Pro Dads

November 25-27 Thanksgiving Break

School Notes

***Office Hours 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

-Transportation changes must be made in writing.

-No dismissals after 1:45 p.m.

-School hours are 7:35 a.m.-2:20 p.m.

-Students arriving after 7:35 a.m. 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 web page.

<http://www.lexington1.net>

**Coming Soon!
Fall Book Fair**

Monday, October 5th thru

Friday, October 9

7:00am-11:00am

Learning Commons



Check out our Scholastic Fall Book Fair Online.

<http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/fortspondelementary>



Lights!
Camera!
Lead!

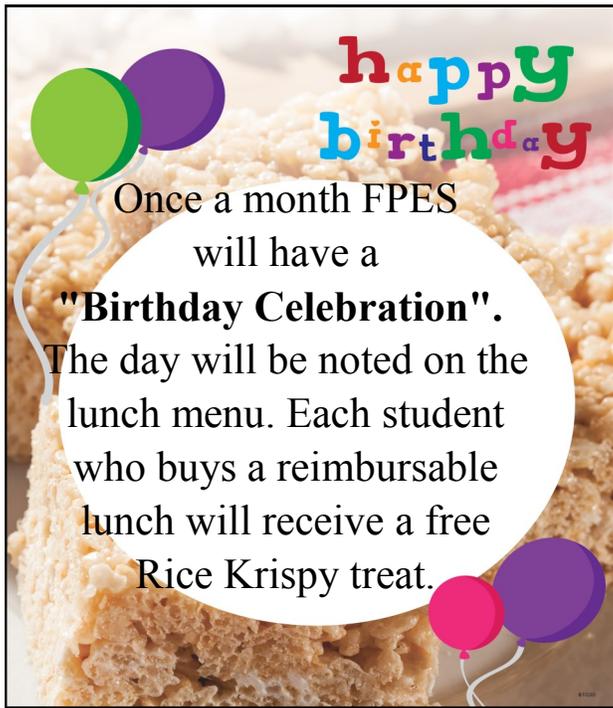
Forts Pond Elementary School is a **Title One** school. Additional information about our **Title One** plan is available

FPES Vision

FPES students will become self-directed, collaborative, creative and caring learners who will flourish in the global, competitive 21st century.

FPES Mission

Forts Pond Elementary School in collaboration with families and community will Fulfill the Potential of Every Student.



Once a month FPES

will have a

"Birthday Celebration".

The day will be noted on the lunch menu. Each student who buys a reimbursable lunch will receive a free Rice Krispy treat.

Congratulations to all classrooms that have earned OFF THE CHART in Related Arts so far this year. AND...

Ms. Higginbotham's Kindergarten class was the 1st!! How's that for LEADERSHIP!!

PTO NEWS

SPIRIT WEAR is available for pre-sale purchase now through Oct. 12. We have several shirt options. You may pick up an order form in the front office.

October 29– 6:30 p.m. PTO Sponsored Family Night

Come join us in the cafeteria for special performance by **Pork Chop Theater** followed by a special time for FPES students to trick or treat at the school. We will be sending home more information as it becomes available.

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

Earn Cash for our school with Box Tops for Education!

It's easy! Box Tops are each worth 10 cents for our school. Here's how Box Tops works:

Buy the products + Clip the box Tops+ Send Box Tops to school = \$\$\$\$\$\$ earn cash for our school.

Parent Resource Center Open House

October 7, 2015

Parents, Staff, and Administration are invited to Portable #5

for light refreshments and an opportunity to look over our resources, check out materials, and enjoy a few moments away from your busy day.

Open from 8:00—2:30.

All are welcome!!



All Pro Dads' Day– Friday, October 23, 2015

7:00 –7:30 in the Learning Commons.
This is an open invitation to Dads,
Granddads, Uncles, or any other
significant male 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



You probably have seen the **Reading
Connection and Math/Science
Connection** pages your child has brought
home. These helpful pages not only support
your interest in your child's success, but, also
are lots of fun. Hope you will use and enjoy



IMoms — Daily
Espresso Minutes
available at.....
IMom.com. Good
daily resource for
family interaction.
Check it out!!

Supplies for Soldiers/ Dorn VA Service Project



Each year at FPES, we have a service project leading up to our Veterans Day Celebration. This year, we are very excited to partner with our PTO! The items collected will be distributed to our military families– at home and abroad. We will hold a contest a between grade levels again this year. The grade level collecting the most items will receive a Popsicle party. See the list below for specific details.

All contributions are welcomed and appreciated. We will be collecting items October 12-23.

Class Item Donation List

Please send only new and unopened packages.

4-K

Dental Hygiene Items
(Toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss)

3rd Grade

Shampoo/Conditioner
Combs/Brushes

Kindergarten

Pudding/Jell-O Cups
(Pre-packaged– no mixes, please)

4th Grade

Canned Meat/Fruit
(tuna, chicken, fruit)

1st grade

Body Hygiene Items
(Deodorant, body wash, shaving
Cream, body lotion) male/female

5th Grade

Snack Food
(crackers, Jerky,
cookies, candy, chips)

2nd Grade

Soups/Chili/Ravioli
(Ramen Noodle, canned or
Cup of Soup)

Garcia-Elliot

Individual Drink Mix
Playing Cards

Additional Items Needed:

- Towels
- Wash Cloths
- Face towels
- Winter hats, caps, and gloves
- Back Packs/Duffle Bags
- Blankets and Sleeping Bags
- Single Bed Sheets ad Pillow Cases
- Thermos Bottles
- Word Puzzle Books
- Craft Kits (paint by number)
- Large Print Playing Cards
- Puzzles

Parent as Teachers

You are your child's first and best teacher. You can help your son or daughter discover the leader within and prepare for a great life of contribution to the world. The absolute best way to reinforce the importance of the 7 Habits and to make sure your child lives them is to model them in your own behavior.

Keep It Simple

Look for ways to integrate the 7 Habits into what you are already doing. Think of it not as one more thing, but as a better way of doing what you are already doing. Go at a pace that works for your family. You can plunge in all at once or work at it slowly. Either way, you will see improvements as you reap the benefits of living timeless and universal principles as a family. Remember, your child possesses unique gifts and talents. Think about what these are and what you can do to nurture and develop them.

Stay Connected With the School

As parents, you are busy, and often it is not possible for you to physically be at the school. However, there are other ways to stay connected and nurture the leader in your child.

- Read notes coming home.
- Read aloud to your child, pointing out or asking which habit the characters in the story used. (The same can be done for movies.)
- If you cannot attend parent meetings, get the phone number of someone who did attend and ask for the information you missed.

Red Ribbon Week October 26—30



Monday—Rock The Red—Wear Red

Tuesday—Peace Out Drugs—Wear Tie Dye

Wednesday—Give Drugs the Boot—Wear Boots

Thursday—Bullying Awareness—Wear Orange

Friday—Stay in the Game—Wear Favorite Sports Shirts or Jersey

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