

I hear and I
forget.

I see and I
remember.

I do and I
understand.

~ Confucius



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Fairview Panther Pride

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Principal's Spotlight



Hello Parents/Guardian,

It is a wonderful time of year to let you know how thankful we are for all that you do! Without your continued support and cooperation the education system at Fairview would not be so amazing!! Good education is a team effort, and with all of the correct team players in place anything is possible.

Fairview is off to a great start this school year with many new initiatives taking place. We are working hard to encourage positive behaviors with students while being responsible, respectful, and safe. Positive behavior expectations are posted throughout the school building to remind students what good behavior looks like in all areas of the building. We will also be starting to implement a new School-Wide Positive Behavior Program, Fairview Principal's 100 Club, to continue to encourage exemplar behaviors everywhere in the building. Additional information will be forthcoming regarding this exciting new positive motivator.

Our Panther of the Month Assemblies are going well! Students are excited about being selected by their teachers for showing exemplar behaviors with the Hurt-Free school themes. Students show Panther Pride when they get recognized in front of their peers and parents. So far this school year we have focused on respect, responsibility, and caring, with many more to come. Students are all working so hard to make Fairview parents, staff, and administrators proud!

I want to personally thank you all for being supportive as we have begun to implement our new car rider pick-up procedures at Fairview. We will continue to work as a team to work out any concerns until we are confident that the #1 goal of student safety is accomplished.

Wishing you all a beautiful holiday season and a new year of peace and happiness!!

*Sincerely,
Stephanie Eldridge
Principal, Fairview*



Welcoming Our Newest Staff Members and Students

Mia Berfield – Counselor
Jayden and Tara Seim– Kindergarten and 3rd
Skye Barnes– 5th
Madisynn Stumper– 2nd
Jordan Hill– 3rd
Ariana Rocuskie– 5th
Haley Pick– 2nd



Recognizing Fairview Employees of the Quarter

Lori Lund– teacher
Kathy Evans– support staff
Both of these ladies go above and beyond the normal call of duty, and for this we are truly honored to have them on our staff at Fairview! Keep up the wonderful work.

Nurse's Information

Tidbits for Flu Season

- Keep hands away from face
- Frequent hand washing
- Use antiseptic wipes on grocery cart handles
- Get your annual flu shot
- If your child is sick please keep them home from school until they are feeling better, to avoid spreading germs.



Counselor's Corner

From the School Counselor's Desk:

Hard to believe that it is Thanksgiving already. With Thanksgiving, comes a time to reflect on the things we are thankful for and to exam the ways we show caring. Caring is the theme this month at Fairview. The conversations with students this month are about what can they do to show caring to others.

First and second grades listened to a book called, "Have you filled a bucket today?" The story talks about how we all walk around with an invisible bucket and that we go through our day either filling other people's buckets up or dipping into other people's buckets through our actions, words, and deeds.

Fairview students also participated in a food drive from Nov. 10-Nov. 21 collecting non-perishables for the Red Land Food Bank. Time was spent with the 4th and 5th graders at recess working on fair play and working out conflict.

I see lots of caring going on at Fairview. I would encourage everyone to promote our theme by asking your children, before you send them off in morning, to identify one thing they can do in their day to show caring to a classmate. Your child's kindness could be the one thing that makes a difference in another child's day.

As a staff member, I have found the Fairview community to be a very welcoming and caring place to work. Therefore, it is with bittersweet feelings that I share the news that my last day will be December 5th. I live in the southern part of York County and have been offered a position very close to my home. I will miss the smiles and laughs your children have brought into my life. A new school counselor will start at Fairview in December. I'm sure she will enjoy meeting and getting to know your children and you as much as I did.

Best Wishes,
Mrs. Cunningham



Speech at Fairview

Your children have been working hard in speech class! They have continued to work on improving their ability to express themselves with improved grammar and vocabulary, to understand various concepts and relationships, and to produce their speech sounds correctly.

Remember! Speech practice should not only happen in the speech room. Parent/guardian involvement is the key to greater success. Here are a few activities to do at home that will sharpen your child's skills.

What can you make with apples? Try to name at least 2 things.

Take turns talking about your favorite fall activity and why you like that activity.

Name as many different Thanksgiving foods as you can!

Read a story to your child and ask questions about the story.

Discuss your Thanksgiving plans. Ask Wh- questions about what is happening that day.

Happy Thanksgiving!

1st Grade— Mrs. Erwood and Mrs. Pantalone

Math Matters

First graders are embarking on their lifelong journey of solving story problems in math. This life skill can be applied in mathematical situations that arise throughout the day and could perhaps be a topic of conversation as you complete daily errands and activities. For example, as you are driving to your next destination, you could say something such as, “We need to drive 2 miles to the closest gas station. Then, we need to drive 4 more miles to get to school. How many miles will we travel altogether?” (or insert larger numbers for enrichment). As we look for opportunities to apply math to real life situations, we can provide practice to build these foundational skills in our children’s reasoning and problem solving abilities.

There are three types of story problems that your child will be working to solve.

Type 1: Known total and one of the “partners” (addends). We do not know the other “partner”. Example: Dad made 8 pancakes for breakfast. 5 of them were big. The rest were small. How many small pancakes did dad make? In all types of story problems, visualizing the story is encouraged. Some key language in this story includes that Dad made 8. The problem never stated that he made more or ate any. The words “of them” imply a part of the total (a.k.a. “partner”). If your child has any difficulty with the abstract nature of story problems, then, using manipulatives such as beads or m & m’s or drawing a circle drawing is often the best strategy to solve story problems. Draw 8 circles. Then count 5 of them and draw a break apart line. Finally, count the other partner (a.k.a. the unknown partner). If your child can think more abstractly about math, then, either drawing a math mountain or an equation may be a better way to show their work. It is important that the total be placed at the top of the math mountain and the partners at the bottom of the mountain because the two partners come together to make a total.

Example:

8

Equation: $5 + \underline{\quad} = 8$

5 + $\underline{\quad}$

Type 2: Subtraction story problems. Example: 9 snowflakes landed on my hat. 3 of them melted. How many snowflakes are left? What’s helpful about subtraction is that the story always tells us what broke, popped, hopped away, melted, got eaten, etc. The bottom line: something always goes away and a “partner” is left. Important words include: difference, left, missing, and away.

Example:

9

Equation: $9 - 3 = \underline{\quad}$

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3

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Type 3: Unknown total; 2 known partners. Example: I have 4 toy cars. My grandma bought me 3 more. How many toy cars do I have in all? Important words include: more, in all, sum, total, and altogether.

Example:

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Equation: $4 + 3 = \underline{\quad}$

4

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3

3rd Grade— Mrs. Stupka and Ms. Fleisher

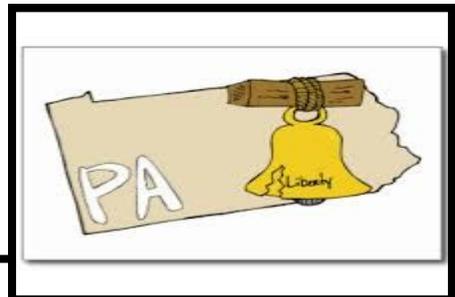
Third grade has been studying Folktales and the important life lessons that they teach us. We recently finished reading the story Stone Soup, where a community of suspicious villagers learns the true meaning of happiness. To provide the students with their own life experience of creating happiness and generosity, each student graciously volunteered to donate an ingredient, so that each classroom could make their own stone soup. As each ingredient was added, the students learned that together they are able to create something wonderful.

To extend their learning, the students then enjoyed an afternoon of interactive and cooperative stations. The third graders worked on a graphic organizer where they determined the main idea of Stone Soup with supporting details. They compared and contrasted various versions of the story. The students also created their own folktale using animals as their main characters depicting other ways one can find happiness. We had a fun-filled afternoon enjoying the delicious stone soup that tasted nothing greater than true happiness.



4th Grade— Mrs. Lund and Mrs. Harman

Pennsylvania is a wonderful place to grow up! As part of the fourth grade Social Studies curriculum, we are studying everything Pennsylvania. Our fourth graders are embarking upon a PA scavenger hunt adventure. They are responsible for collecting/creating different items that represent our great state throughout the school year. At the end of they year, they will organize everything they accumulate into a scrapbook. Some artifacts that can be collected are photos of the capital, ticket stubs from a PA sporting event, or naming our state representatives. This is an enjoyable way for our students to discover all the great wonders Pennsylvania has to offer!



2nd Grade— Mrs. Bergenstock and Mrs. Plever

This November, second grade had a BALL working with pumpkins to practice math skills! With parent and teacher help, the students measured the circumference of his or her own pumpkin, weighed the pumpkins, made many different estimations, counted the seeds in his or her own pumpkin, and decorated the pumpkins. Students used egg cartons (cut into ten sections) to measure out ten groups of ten. They recorded each “100” on a graphic organizer before dumping the seeds into a class bowl. After reading the story *How Many Seeds in a Pumpkin?* by Margaret McNamara, the students learned that the smallest pumpkins often have the most seeds...and we proved that to be correct! Between the two second grade classes, we counted almost 13,000 seeds! What a great learning opportunity for second graders!



Kindergarten

Kindergarten has been doing such a great job with their centers and Kid Writing! During center time, the Kindergartens are making patterns, sorting leaves, making scarecrows, spelling fun Fall words, painting, using the iPads to listen to books on the Storia app, and lastly their favorite – cooking! This month at the cooking center, Kindergarten helped Squanto plant his crops using crushed Oreos for dirt, candy corn for corn, and Swedish Fish for fish. Once they ‘planted their crops’, they were able to enjoy their tasty treat!

The Kindergartens are having a blast drawing colorful pictures and writing sentences in their Kid Writing journals! Their imaginations are running wild and they are coming up with some great ideas. Kindergarten loves to write about superheroes, animals, and spending time with their friends and family!



Cafeteria News



- Wow, we had such a great turn out for Turkey Day! Thanks to all of the parents/ guardians for joining us as we celebrated together in good cheer and thankfulness.
- Our school is now selling a limited number of a la carte snack items. Students can purchase Cheez-It crackers, graham crackers, granola bars, and/or pretzels, in addition to the items already available on the menu. All students, regardless of whether or not they purchased a meal, will be able to buy a la carte items if they have the needed funds available in their meal account.
- Please make sure that your child is aware of whether or not you would like them to purchase a la carte snack items. Many of them are using a lot of funds from their accounts to purchase these snacks.
- Lucky Vegetable Day is on December 3rd!



Music Notes

This is a busy time of year for the music department. The band, orchestra, and chorus are working hard at putting their annual Holiday Concert together. The concert will be performed, for the school, on December 22nd at Allen Middle School at 9:30 a.m.

Physical Education— Mrs. Lee



The students in Physical Education have been active! We were very fortunate with the weather and were able to finish the soccer and kicking units outside. The students are beginning a volleyball unit, as well as throwing/catching unit. Although we won't be outside until the spring, please remember to bring a water bottle (not required). FV will be dancing soon!

5th Grade— Mrs. Estep & Mrs. Chmiola

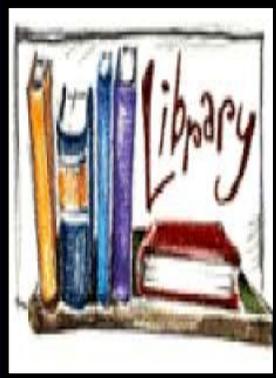


Did you know that the sandwich had a birthday in November? Well, you can thank John Montagu, the Earl of Sandwich, for that delicious sandwich that many eat for lunch.

To honor this occasion and to bring a little fun to the task of writing a book report, the fifth graders designed sandwich book reports. Each piece of the “sandwich” told something important about the book that they had read. Many of their “sandwiches” were quite creative and included all those other things we like with our sandwiches—pickles, chips, pretzels, and, of course, a dessert. However, creating the “sandwich” wasn’t all that they enjoyed.

To further celebrate Sandwich Day, the fifth graders then sat down to their own soup and sandwich lunch. Nothing like combining a little school work with a fun activity!

Library— Mrs. St Cyr, Mrs. Kiehn, & Mrs. Kell



Mrs. St. Cyr's Library classes have studied many topics this year. She teaches a 3rd, a 4th and a 5th grade class at Fairview, as well as all of Newberry and all of Red Mill. Some of the highlights taught were fact and opinion, the World Book Student online encyclopedia, the Destiny library catalog, home access to the online resources provided by the district and much more. If you have any questions or comments please let your librarian know. We love our parent volunteers who come in to help shelve books and pull things for displays regularly. The Scholastic Book Fair will be coming to Fairview on December 11th for students to pick their favorite books!!

Reading Department— Ms. Handwerk & Mrs. Naugle

Fantastic Fluency

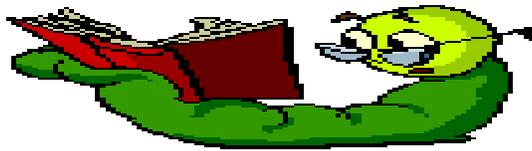
By: The Reading Department

For children to understand what they read, they must be able to read *fluently* whether they are reading aloud or silently. Fluent readers read with accuracy, proper expression, and at a good rate.

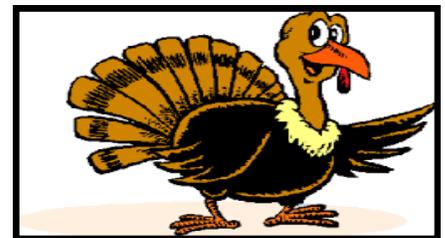
What can parents do at home to help their child become a fluent reader?

- Choose the right books- Help your child choose books he/she can comfortably read. There should be 5 words or fewer that give them trouble on each page.
- Listen to your child read every day.
- Read it again- Encourage your child to reread favorite books, or poems and make it fun! Repeated readings improve children's fluency and comprehension.
- Read to your child every day- Model your own fluent reading as you enjoy reading books with your child! It could be a picture book or a chapter a night.

Enjoy listening to your child become a fluent reader!



Special Interest Classes— Mrs. Miller



My gifted students have been exploring "The First Thanksgiving." They have been recognizing the similarities and differences between the lifestyles of the Pilgrims and the Wampanoag, exploring the Pilgrims' experiences and hardships while traveling to and establishing a settlement in the New World, and recognizing the historical significance of the Pilgrims' voyage settlement and the first harvest celebration. We also read the story, "Thank You, Sarah" by Laurie Halse Anderson. My students now realize that Sarah Hale saved Thanksgiving for all!

PTO News



The Fall Festival was held on October 17 and was a great success. We had a wonderful turnout, with some great games and crafts for the children. We appreciate everyone who helped out by volunteering, a special thanks to the committee chair, Amber Updegraff, for pulling off another great Fall Festival!

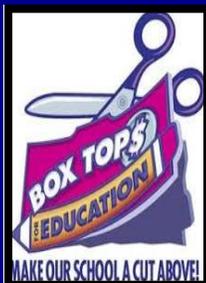
Our next event is Holiday Craft Night, scheduled for December 11. If you have ideas for crafts or input based on last year's Craft Night please e-mail Dawn Healy at nemesisdth@gmail.com.

We have completed our Fall Fundraisers. The Mums sales raised \$1211.25, a 50% profit. KidStuff Books earned the PTO \$1650.00 and are also a 50% profit. The Fall Fun Walk is our major fundraiser for the year. Thanks to everyone who donated the PTO was able to raise \$6110.82 which was a profit of 92%.

Please continue to save BoxTops, we will continue to collect them and run friendly contests throughout the year. We currently have only 98 Giant bonus cards registered to help Fairview. Please either verify that your Giant bonus card is registered by checking online (www.giantfoodstores.com) or you can e-mail the 11-digit bonus card number and the last name attached to it to nemesisdth@gmail.com and we will enter it for you. You can also help out by registering your Target RedCard to benefit Fairview through Target's Take Charge of Education campaign. It's a very simple online process and Fairview will then receive a value of 1% of Target purchases. We currently have only 15 RedCards registered. Please encourage family and friends to participate in these areas of helping raise money that will benefit our students!

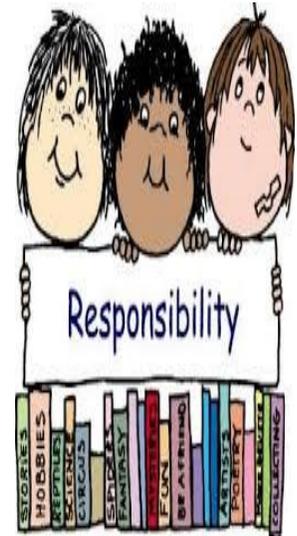
We are still in need of a MayFair chairperson so if you have any interest or questions please reach out to Amber Updegraff, amber.m.updegraff@gmail.com or Michelle Pearson, mviriden28@aol.com.

Don't forget to come out to the next PTO meeting, they're held the first Tuesday of every month!



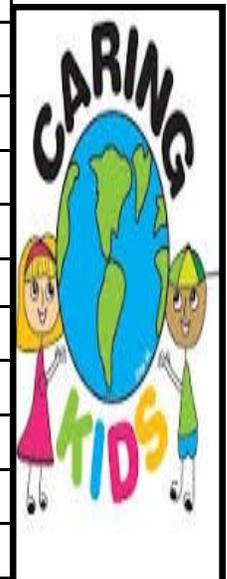
Panthers of the Month for October– Responsibility

Grade	Teacher	Student
Kindergarten	Mrs. Scanlon	Chace Lukens– AM Maddie Achey– PM
1 st Grade	Mrs. Erwood	Matthew Peffer
1 st Grade	Mrs. Pantalone	Reagan Hellyer
2 nd Grade	Mrs. Bergenstock	Ryan Suchy
2 nd Grade	Mrs. Plever	Taylor Updegraff
3 rd Grade	Ms. Fleisher	Jacklyn Muth
3 rd Grade	Mrs. Stupka	Austin Pressley
4 th Grade	Mrs. Lund	Jada Baumgardner
4 th Grade	Ms. Harman	Piper Henning
5 th Grade	Mrs. Estep	Olivia Brawner
5 th Grade	Mrs. Chmiola	Reagan Rickenbach



Panthers of the Month for November– Caring

Grade	Teacher	Student
Kindergarten	Mrs. Scanlon	AM-Ethan Biggs PM- Cameron Sellers
1 st Grade	Mrs. Erwood	Kara Farmery
1 st Grade	Mrs. Pantalone	Safiya Chajai
2 nd Grade	Mrs. Bergenstock	McKenna Moore
2 nd Grade	Mrs. Plever	Hayden Brown
3 rd Grade	Ms. Fleisher	Alana Shimp
3 rd Grade	Mrs. Stupka	Madeline Sentman
4 th Grade	Mrs. Lund	Connor Updegraff
4 th Grade	Ms. Harman	Kailer Fahnestock
5 th Grade	Mrs. Estep	Ava Bricker
5 th Grade	Mrs. Chmiola	Raelyn Fahnestock



Please continue to check out student pictures on the bulletin board outside the office and on our website!!

Student Council News



- Fairview student council is up and running with some great plans for the rest of the school year in place. Heidi Stupka, Lori Lund, and Jenna Bergenstock have taken the lead with these students and the excitement is in the air! The following students are part of Fairview's Student Council:
- **President: Kennedy O'Brien; Vice President: Zachary Williamson; Secretary: Olivia Minahan; Historian: Paige Bittner, Rayna Johnson, Hannah Bishop, Taylor Updegraff, Owen Wagner, Briana Knisely, Josephine Ickes, Lauren Chesek, Ava Spahr, Connor Updegraff, Rebecca Fisher, Piper Henning, Deidra Harig, Kara Deming, Evan Cook, Bryce Gonder, and Mackenzie Burd**

*Additional minute notes can be found on Fairview's webpage under student council.

**The #1 Goal
is Student
Safety!!**



Fairview Car Rider Pick-up Procedures

New Dismissal Procedures at the End of the Day for K-5 Car Rider Students

- Dismissal time will remain the same at 3:30 PM.
- **Parents that have arranged a pick-up schedule with the office, call in ahead on any given day by 2:59 p.m., or send a note to the office by 2:59 p.m.** will be called to the kindergarten hallway at 3:30 p.m. to sit quietly and wait for parents at dismissal time. Parents will report to the back door by the kindergarten room. Parents/guardians will sign the pick-up sheet, and upon completion of this process their child will be released for dismissal from these back doors. At no time will parents enter the building through these back doors. If you need to report to the office for any reason you will have to go through the front doors. If you arrive after 3:40 p.m. to pick up your child, you will have to report to the front vestibule to pick them up. A Fairview staff member will be present to facilitate these procedures.
- Parents that **notify the office after 3:00 p.m.** will have to report to the front of the building to pick-up their child. Inside the front door vestibule parents will sign the pick-up sheet and wait until their child's name is called for dismissal at 3:35 p.m. Children will be dismissed out of these front doors and be released to parents/guardians. Parents will no longer be permitted to enter the building to sign-out and wait for their child. A staff member will be present to facilitate these procedures.

New Drop-off and Pick-up Procedures for Kindergarten

- Kindergarten pick-up parents for AM kindergarten will wait in the front door vestibule until the teacher comes to the door to dismiss the students. Parents will no longer be permitted to enter the building and wait for their student(s).
- Kindergarten drop off- parents for PM kindergarten will wait in the front door vestibule until the teacher comes to the door to let students in. Parents will no longer be permitted to enter the building and wait with their student(s).

Please keep in mind that there will be **no changes to drop-off procedures for K-5th grade students in the morning. There will also be **no changes to the bus dismissal in the afternoon for K-5 student(s).**

Fairview Expectations

	Be Responsible	Be Respectful	Be Safe
Bathroom 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go, Flush, Wash, and Exit • Throw all trash in garbage can • Keep it clean • Visit only if a necessity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use a soft, inside voice • Give privacy and respect personal space • Wait your turn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk in and out of bathroom in an orderly manner • Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself
Cafeteria 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eat your own food • Clean up after yourself and make sure trash gets in the garbage can 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Say please, thank you, and excuse me (kind words) • Use a soft, inside voice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay seated while eating • Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself • Walk at all times
Classroom 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow directions the first time • Use materials and property properly • Stay on task and complete work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen while others are speaking • Wait your turn • Use kind words • Use a soft, inside voice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk at all times • Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself • Correctly sit on furniture
Library 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow directions • Bring books back on time • Use materials and property properly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen while others are speaking • Use a soft, inside voice • Wait your turn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself • Walk at all times
Playground 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use equipment properly • Take all equipment back into building in an orderly manner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allow others to play • Take turns • Be a team player 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Run only in designated areas • Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself

Coming later this month, the Fairview Principal 100 Club will be recognizing students that show exemplar behaviors in these three areas of Fairview expectations.

Important Reminders in December and January



- School begins at 8:45 and dismisses at 3:30; please contact the school if your child is going to be absent
- Students must arrive prior to 10:15 in order to be considered present for the full morning session; if students arrive after 10:15 he/she will be considered absent for 1/2 day
- If you would like to be a parent volunteer at Fairview you must complete all of the necessary paperwork.
- Panther of the Month recognition assembly will occur on December 2nd and January 5th
- PTO Meeting– December 2nd at 7:00
- Progress Reports Due on December 5th
- DRA and Anchor Word Testing Window– December 8th– January 16th
- Fairview Holiday Craft Night and Book Night– December 11th from 5:00-7:00
- Bullying and Principal's 100 Club Assembly– December 12th from 9:10-10:00
- District Advisory Council Meeting– December 17th at 3:45
- Concert at Allen Middle School– December 22nd at 9:30
- Fairview Christmas Parties– December 22nd from 2:30-3:30
- Pizza Party for Panthers of the Month for September, October, and November– December 23rd
- Early Dismissal– December 23rd at 1:45
- No School-Holiday Break– December 24th– January 2nd - HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!
- KAP Screening MOY– January 5th– January 12th
- CDT Testing Window– January 5th– January 23rd
- PTO Meeting– January 6th at 7:00
- Marking Period 2 ends– January 19th
- No School for students– January 19th

A Special Thank You!!

I would like to extend a big thank you to the PTO at Fairview. We thank you for your continued support with all that you do! The Fall Harvest Fest was a huge success, and we greatly appreciated the room parents that helped organize the parties. Thank you for a great turn out with our Fall Fun Walk and Fall Festival! There are so many wonderful events and activities that you organize that I can't name them all, but please know that the students, staff, and administrators are so thankful to have you on our Fairview Team!!

Sincerely,
Stephanie Eldridge

