

THE EAGLE EYE

LIBERTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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SPECIAL EDITION

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Principal's Message

I hope that this "Special Edition" newsletter finds our Liberty families safe and healthy. I sure do miss the smiling faces and laughter of my school family.

I am finding that I sometimes need a mental break from all of the information surrounding our current circumstance. Mrs. McKevitt recently taught staff about mindfulness and I am finding the information particularly useful this week. Meditation and mindfulness activities can help adults and children cope with stress and anxiety. There are many videos online that can guide you through simple exercises. Here are a few to try. <u>https://awakeandmindful.com/best-</u> meditation-videos-for-kids/



On the Friday before students left, teachers gave students some work to bring home. Students also checked out media books and received a fun menu of activities from Mrs. McKevitt. While these activities are optional through March 27, we would love to see how many students keep their learning going while at home. Students that bring in work after this break will earn tickets in their classrooms.

If your child was absent on Friday, March 13, email me and, if possible, I will send you the activities electronically.

Additionally, if your child does not have internet access and/or an electronic device (Chromebook or similar device) that they could use to complete work from home, please send me an email and let me know.

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Comcast is taking immediate steps to help connect more families to the Internet at home. Effective Monday, March 16, 2020, anyone who signs up for Internet Essentials will receive two free months of Internet service. After your first two free months expire, you can either cancel the service (which you can do at any time) or keep it as a regular paying Internet Essentials customer. Click for more details: <u>http://www.internetessentials.com</u>

FCPS Meals

The following 8 locations for lunches "to go" from 11:30 AM-12:30 PM--

Look for the bright yellow school buses:

Brunswick - Rite Aid Parking Lot, Brunswick Heights Shopping Center, 92 Souder Road, Brunswick Buckeystown United Methodist Church - Parking Lot, 3440 Buckeystown Pike, Frederick Emmitsburg Elementary - School Parking Lot, 300 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg Heather Ridge - School Parking Lot, 1445 Taney Avenue, Frederick Lucas Village Community Center - 111 Pennsylvania Avenue, Frederick Max Kehne Ball Field - Parking Lot, 1100 West 7th Street, Frederick Thurmont Elementary - School Parking Lot, 805 E. Main Street, Thurmont Walkersville - Discovery Shopping Center Parking Lot (Goodwill Store), 8425 Woodsboro Pike, Walkersville

As previously announced, FCPS is serving FREE meals to all children** 18 years & under: Monday-Friday, March 16-27

8:30-9:30 AM Breakfast 11:30 AM-12:30 PM Lunch [Now added: Boxed suppers to go]

- . Ballenger Creek Elementary*
- . Crestwood Middle*
- . Frederick High*
- . Hillcrest Elementary*
- . Lincoln Elementary*
- . Monocacy Elementary*
- . North Frederick Elementary*
- . Waverley Elementary*

*Participants do NOT have to live in Frederick County, be FCPS students or be registered to attend the schools serving meals.

*Children MAY take their meals to go.

*We will also serve adults enrolled in an education program for persons with disabilities. Q? 301-644-5061

PTA News

LIBERTY ELEMENTARY PTA PRESENTS: "INNOCENCE STOLEN: PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN ONLINE" SAVE THE DATE: APRIL 15TH 6:30PM TO 8:30PM Liberty Elementary School Gym

This presentation is offered to our School Staff and Liberty Parent. Please note: this will be an adult only event.

This event is designed to empower our community to address the many teachable moments that occur when accessing the internet.

Topics include: social networking, cyber bullying, sexting, and internet predators. The program provides prevention and intervention strategies and internet safety resources.

PTA Box Tops Competition

The top 3 classes for the Spring 2020 Box Tops competition are:

Benedict	145
Huber	134
Wood	39

Hammond and Huber had Box Tops app submissions.

Please continue to clip Box Tops for your child's classroom and also use the new **Box Tops app** to **scan store receipts within 14 days** of purchasing products with the Box Tops logo on them that aren't the clipping Box Tops with an expiration date on them.

To designate your child's classroom in the Box Tops app, after taking the first picture of a receipt, tap the star **"Credit"** icon at the bottom of the screen and enter your child's teacher's name and hit Done. Continue with the submission process.

For more information about the app, see the following 2 links:

https://www.boxtops4education.com/How-To-Earn

https://www.boxtops4education.com/sneakpeek_FAQ

If you have any questions, email <u>boxtops@liberty-pta.org</u>.

PTA Meeting for Wednesday, March 18th at Morgan's American Grill has been CANCELED. We hope to reschedule at a future date.

Thank you for Supporting our Scholastic Book Fair

Liberty Elementary PTA is on Facebook - Like us!