

TFS Bulletin

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Welcome (or welcome back) Friendship Families!


It is so wonderful to see all of you in the hallways, classrooms, and other places around TFS. Our little folks are getting used to the routine and know where to go. Life is good. However, I do have a few issues that I want to remind families about today.

Arrival and dismissal times are the two most worrisome points of the day for me. At TFS, we have many plans and procedures in place to help safeguard the children during these transitions. These plans include the support of everyone: teachers, support staff, bus drivers, administrators, and parents. For example, every adult picking up a child for dismissal should be prepared to show a picture ID. The office staff rotates through dismissal duties and you never know who will be working at the sign out desk. Please do not count on someone being able to recognize you. Be prepared to show your ID if asked, this will alleviate any issues at dismissal time.

Another reminder is to hold on tight to your children during dismissal times. When transporting children to the bus, we make sure everyone is making contact with another person (usually holding hands) so we don't lose anyone. Please watch your children carefully once you remove them from their classrooms. As they become more comfortable with their school surroundings, children will wander off. Let's make sure they stay with the adults picking them up from school.

I hope you are as excited about the new year as we are at TFS. There are so many activities and events coming up this fall. I hope to see many of you around as September rolls on.....

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TO ALL PARENTS WITH CHILDREN THAT RECEIVE FREE OR REDUCED PRICE LUNCHEES AND/OR BREAKFAST: PLEASE SUBMIT A NEW APPLICATION IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY SUBMITTED ONE FOR THE 08-09 SCHOOL YEAR OR YOUR BENEFITS WILL EXPIRE ON 9/30/08. ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL 444-5862.

Dates to Remember

October 1st-- Open House- 6:00 p.m.
October 9th- Yom Kippur- **No School**
October 10th- Professional Development -**No School**
October 13th – Columbus Day – **No School**
October 16^h – School Picture Day

NURSES OFFICE

Students who are sent home from school with a fever will not be allowed to return to school until they are free of fever for 24 hours. The reason for this is two-fold: a child recovering from an illness has a weakened resistance and is susceptible to other illnesses, and other students need protection from any lingering illness your child may have. If you would like your child to have a medication, a parent/caregiver will need to bring in the medication along with a Dr. Order. **Medication is not allowed to be brought in by a child in their backpack or on the bus.** Have a nice weekend!

On October 2nd, The Friendship School will participate in the *Read for the Record Campaign* as part of Waterford's initiative to support *Jumpstart's National Campaign* to have children gather together to read the **same book** at the **same time** on the **same day**. This year's book is "Corduroy" by Don Freeman. All Pre-K and K teachers will receive a special campaign addition of "Corduroy" from the Pearson Foundation. At TFS all students will enjoy listening to "Corduroy" starting at 10:30a.m. on October 2nd with their teachers. Families are encouraged to join us for this event! For additional information please contact Carolyn Potoff at 447-4049 ext.1337 or cpotoff@thefriendshipschool.org.

