

Principal: Mr. Todd Poole

Secretary: Mrs. Wilson

## **Vision Statement**

**Franklin School is all about children. In a caring environment, we create lifelong learners by engaging children in meaningful work as we prepare them to contribute to tomorrow's world.**

To report your child's absence, call 330-678-7500 anytime in the evening before the absence or by 9:00 a.m. the morning of the absence. After 9:00 a.m., call the Franklin office directly at 330-676-8450.

KENT SCHOOLS INFO. LINE AND VOICE MAIL SYSTEM

**330-678-7500**

Press 1 To leave an **absence message, then Press 4 for Franklin**

Press 2 To hear phone numbers of Kent's schools

Press 3 For emergency school closings

**Please visit our website for more information: <http://www.kentschools.net/franklin>**

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

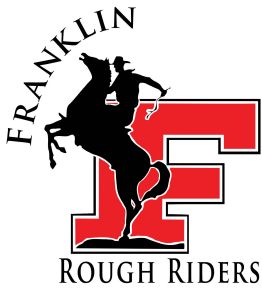
#### **January**

- 11 PTO Meeting @ 7:00
- 12 Franklin School Community Dinner 5:00-7:00
- 17 No School - Dr. Martin Luther King Day
- 19 Market Day Pick Up @ 5:30
- 22 PTO Gift Card Orders Due
- 21 End of 2nd Nine Weeks and Early Release @1:00
- 28 Report Cards Go Home

#### **February**

- 8 PTO Meeting @ 7:00
- 11 Valentines Day Parties @ 2:15
- 16 Market Day Pick Up @ 5:30
- 18 PTO School Dance
- 21 NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day
- 22 Interims Go Home

## Welcome Back



Welcome to a new year! I hope everyone had a relaxing break with family and friends. Sometimes it is good to get back into a routine and have a break from being on break. There is still a lot of school left.

Our 3rd, 4th and 5th graders will be making their last big push towards taking the Ohio Achievement Test at the end of April.

Please make sure that your child is dressed for the weather. We decide if it is going to be outside or indoor recess before each recess. This means we may not go outside in the morning but the conditions may improve to allow us to go outside in the afternoon.

These decisions are based on the conditions of the blacktop and the temperature with the wind chill. If the temperature is below 20 degrees the students will remain inside. When students go outside they must remain on the blacktop unless the students are wearing snow boots and snow pants.

Our PTO continues to be one of the best parent groups. They do so much for our Franklin Community. If you haven't already, I would encourage you to attend one of the monthly meetings. We always need additional parents to help out or to share ideas.

Students in grades 1-5 will be involved with our benchmarking this month. All the students will take short assessment in the areas of math and reading. These results are compared to national norms of other students and allows us to make instructional decisions. If you have any questions about this process please contact our office and I would be glad to share the result with you.

Todd Poole  
Principal

## Thank You Volunteers !!



A big thank you to the following people for volunteering their time and making these programs a big success

**Winter Concert:** Sharon Weiss, Darcie Seachrist, Dena Ferner, Crystal Roberts, and Abigail Edgell.

Mrs. Tregoning was proud of the performance of all of our students. The fifth graders did some challenging songs very well. They also demonstrated great stage presence! Fourth graders showcased some of their talents and really showed growth in their choral skills. Also, it was so nice to hear the positive comments that students in each grade made about other students. Those comments demonstrated great character and a real positive attitude. Just another reason for Franklin to be proud of their wonderful students!

**Holiday Shop:** Crystal and Nick Roberts, Elizabeth Legnani, Tiffany Jones, Amy Rankin, Donna Ruttan, Jodi Smith, Robin Hido, Laura Raymond-Smith, Jill Grimm, Kathi Grissom, Gloria Gericke, Jenn Schumm,  
**Special thank you to Sherri Zalewski and Kathi Grissom for organizing the shop.**

**Giving Tree Wrapping:** Kevin Martin, Amy Rankin, Amy Pennell, Sharon Weiss, and Laurie Herington

**Classroom Parties:** We had many parents that showed up for the classroom parties. I had the chance to visit all the classrooms and see all the fun activities that the parents had planned for our students. I can't thank everyone enough for all that you do for our students.

**To all the parents who picked up their child, from student council, at the Stow-Glen Retirement Community.**

### **Character Trait For January**

The character trait for the month of January is Tolerance. This means our students should accept individual differences; be able to negotiate and compromise; strive to discover and learn about people who are different from themselves and about cultures different from their own; and recognize that we are fallible and therefore make mistakes.

Students will be recognized for displaying this character trait and will be entered into a drawing to win a chance to have lunch with the principal.

"Parents can only give advice or put them on the paths, but the final forming of a person's character lies in their own hands" - Anne Frank

During the month of December we had many students that received an "Ask Me" sticker. The sticker is to represent a good character. When you see a student with an "Ask Me" sticker they should be able to explain to you why they received the sticker. The students listed below are the students who have received it recently.

Ben Carpenter	Joe Valenta	Jamie West	Rachel Mileski	AJ Hager
Skylar Benedik	Danyeda Herinton	Paige Thompson	Lauren Frank	Kane Abel
Spence Hayes	Kem Maletic	Drew Roberts	Johnny Benedik	Ahna Frank
Nathan Montanari	Josh Hido	Evie Bauer	Riley Starkey	Reese Campana
Haley Mathes	Sarah Forrer	Morgan Keller	Luke Larkin	Natalie Thomas
Alex Swanson				

### **News from the PTO**

Start the New Year off right by attending the upcoming "Franklin PTO Movie Night" at the school on Friday January 14, 2011. We will be showing "TOY STORY 3" (rated G). As always, the admission, popcorn and bottled water are FREE!!! Also, hot dogs, pizza and baked goods will be available for \$.50/each while they last. Doors open at 6:30 and the movie starts at 7:00 pm. Bring your sleeping bags, blankets and pillows for an enjoyable family and friends night out. See you there!

### **ACME RECEIPTS REMINDER**

The Acme Community Cash Back Program will be coming to an end February 25th. Please send in all of your Acme receipts dating from September 25, 2010 to February 19, 2011 to school with your child and we will take care of the rest. Franklin can earn up to 5% of the "Cash Back" amount printed on the bottom of your receipt. Ask your family and friends for their receipts, too! Remember, we need to have all receipts turned in by February 25th. Thank you!



Your child may be eligible to come to a **ONE DAY, FREE DENTAL** clinic in Kent (at the address below). This is part of the Ohio Dental Association's annual Give Kids a Smile program on **February 4, 2011**...where participating dentists give **FREE DENTAL CARE** to children in need and whose families cannot afford dental care.

Upwards of **100** children will be seen on a first-come, first serve basis. Services will include examinations, cleaning and preventive care. Urgent restorative care may be provided as time allows.

The parent or legal guardian must accompany the child to the clinic listed below. **We cannot see any unaccompanied children.**

Children seen through the Give Kids a Smile program should meet any or all of the following circumstances:

- families living on a limited income,
- families experiencing financial difficulties (due to divorce, illness, death, loss of job, etc.),
- the child is in apparent need of dental care,
- the child and/or family is **NOT** a current patient at another dental office

**THESE FREE SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED ON  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2011  
FROM 8 A.M. TO 4 P.M. AT:**

**Portage County Community Health Center  
1992 State Route 59  
Kent, Ohio 44240**

For additional information, call Susie Howard at 330/724-5471, extension 301.

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ADA American Dental Association\*





Dear Franklin Families,

We only have two and a half months left to earn points toward the **Apples for the Students** program. If you haven't registered your Giant Eagle Advantage card yet, please see the attached flyer. It only takes a few minutes to sign up, and EVERY purchase you make at Giant Eagle with your Advantage card earns Franklin points to use for athletic equipment. If you have any questions or need any help registering, you may contact Sharon Weiss at [SMW323@gmail.com](mailto:SMW323@gmail.com).

If you have already signed up, thank you very much for your commitment to our students 😊 !

Franklin PTO



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# Support Our Students!

- 1** Sign up at [www.gianteagle.com/about/apples-for-students](http://www.gianteagle.com/about/apples-for-students) or by calling 1-800-474-4777.
- 2** Provide our School ID # **0360**
- 3** Each time your **Giant Eagle Advantage Card®** is scanned, through March 14, 2011, your purchases automatically earn our school **FREE** educational awards.



Enroll your Giant Eagle Advantage Card® – even if you enrolled in the past – so our school benefits from the all new Apples for the Students program.