

# THE WEEKLY TIE-DYE

THE OFFICIAL NEWS OF FREMONT OPEN PLAN

## LOOKING AHEAD

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Thu, Aug 16, 6:00-7:30pm**

- Upper Back to School Night – Cafeteria (parents only)

**Wed, Aug 22**

- **Minimum Day**

**Thu, Aug 23, 6:00-7:00pm**

- Middle Back to School Night – Rm 22 (parents only)

**Fri, Aug 24, 5:00pm**

- Back-To-School Picnic – Davis Park

**Wed, Aug 29, 6:00pm**

- PAG Meeting – Library

**Mon, Sep 3**

- Labor Day – **No School**

## WELCOME BACK!

### KICKING OFF THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Hopefully everyone had a fun and relaxing summer break. As the whirlwind of back-to-school continues, thank you for taking the time to read department notes and the Tie-Dye to keep up to date on important info.

## CALENDAR NOTES

### BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHTS

FOP Back to School nights are scheduled by department. Primary's has passed. Middle and Upper are coming up – see calendar above and department notes for dates and info. **There are no FOP Back to School events on September 6.**

### MINIMUM DAYS

There are numerous minimum days this year, the first of which is **Wednesday, August 22**. Please watch the Tie-Dye for calendar items, and download a handy paper version of the MCS Calendar at <https://www.mcs4kids.com/documents/calendar.pdf>, which lists minimum days, non-attendance days and other important dates. Kinder dismisses at the usual time on minimum days; grades 1-6 dismiss at 1:20pm.

### FALL WALK – SAVE THE DATE!

The Fall Walk is a quintessential FOP event to which all FOP families (younger siblings included!) are invited. This year's Fall Walk will be held on **Friday, October 5**. More details, time and location, and how you can help, will be announced soon. This FOP tradition has been a favorite through the decades. Mark your calendars!

## FIRST PAG MEETING OF THE YEAR!

### PLEASE COME AND GET INVOLVED

Parent involvement is a key ingredient in making FOP successful and unique. Please join this year's Parent Advisory Group (PAG) Executive Committee (Jody Burriss, Chair; Sherry Calkins, Vice-Chair; Nathan Singh, Treasurer; and Marie Price, Secretary) at the first PAG meeting of the year on **Wednesday, August 29 at 6:00pm in the Library**. Free childcare will be available. Watch for more info from your friendly PAG Exec in coming weeks.

## PARKING WOES

### BRING YOUR PATIENCE!

As we all know or are quickly learning, parking at Fremont is not easy. We hope everyone will soon get into the groove of what works for your family with regard to drop off and pick up. As that's happening, and throughout the year, please be good neighbors to the families who live in the neighborhoods surrounding the school, and especially to the businesses near the school. We should not park in the two parking aisles adjacent to the Holden business, or in the spaces across from and near the buildings at the church/preschool location (corner of Orangeburg and College). Let's all do our best to keep the peace in the neighborhood!

## BACK TO SCHOOL PICNIC

### COME JOIN THE FUN!

Join us for our FOP Back to School picnic on **Friday, August 24 at 5:00pm at Davis Park** (corner of College and Rumble). Bring your own picnic dinner, blanket and/or chairs. Treats and fun activities will be provided by the FOP Social Committee. This is a great way to meet new FOP families and get reacquainted with old friends.

## GET CONNECTED AT FOP

### IMPORTANT WAYS TO STAY IN TOUCH

Please look for the gold-colored "GET CONNECTED" page in today's Tuesday folders. It describes several ways to keep informed about school happenings and to communicate with teachers, school staff and other FOP families. A top priority at the beginning of the school year is making sure all FOP families are signed up for the Remind texting system. If you have not yet signed up, please do so ASAP (information and instructions are in your Tuesday folder). Spending a few minutes now to plug yourself into these various means of communication will ensure a smoother school year for parents, students and teachers. Thanks!

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRINCIPAL

### MR. WOODBRIDGE SAYS...

Welcome back OP families! I am very excited for this school year and if I have not met you, please stop by the office and say hello. We are participating in our "Recess Rodeos" the first few weeks of school. If you are not familiar, this involves front loading students with positive behavior expectations and rehearsing recess games and activities through stations of small groups of students. Please talk with your student's teacher if you are interested in helping out. Primary will participate August 24, 9:45-10:15, Middle August 29, 9:45-10:15, and Upper August 21, 9:45-10:15. I look forward to many more positive activities and events and building relationships with each of you. Have a great first week.

Children want the same things we want.  
To laugh, to be challenged, to be entertained, and delighted.

-Dr. Seuss