



*From the Desk of Janice Tierney
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"Begin, be bold, and venture to be wise." Horace

Book Fair & Read to the Dogs

(See attached flier)

The book fair is back and we are so excited to welcome student shoppers to engage in this wonderful, literacy-based tradition here at Franklin. We are also thrilled to be inviting families back into school on Wednesday evening, February 16 for shopping and "Read to the Dogs." Please check the weekly PTO blast on Sunday evening for additional details and shopping information.

"There is no app that can replace your LAP... READ to a child."

Stuff the Bus with PJ's & Books

with a PJ Day on Monday, February 14 (which is a single session day for students)

In that same spirit and continuing the February theme of "Franklin has Heart" we are collecting new books and pajamas for both children and young adults until Monday, February 14th. This is a district wide initiative led by our elementary Librarians. Our goal is to "STUFF THE BUS" to drive the donations to the Pajama Project location that will distribute these items to children who are not currently in permanent homes.

We appreciate your support in providing a good book and warm, comfortable night's sleep to those in need.

National School Counseling Week

Mrs. Audino just finished leading us through National School Counseling week. Her efforts included daily messages, raising awareness and providing a daily focus including mindfulness, coping strategies, the power of making a good, healthy choice, and expressing thankfulness. The week concluded with students creating their own unique class flag which will be displayed for all to see. Thank you Mrs. Audino for coordinating this positive and engaging experience for our students and staff.

(Please see the attached THRIVE newsletter from our Elementary Guidance Department)

THANK YOU for your positive and supportive response to the traffic safety message I sent last week. I have had the opportunity to observe and engage in conversations around unsafe choices with some families this week and have received apologies and a promise of increased awareness and patience - especially with parking. I am asking families to PLEASE refrain from parking illegally - including on Blackburn Place and Road. The danger of walking in the street with cars parked on both sides of the road along with moving traffic is an accident waiting to happen.

There is plenty of legal parking if you simply drive up farther on Warwick or go over a block onto Colt. The weather is getting warmer so a short walk should be more pleasant in the weeks ahead.

Be well, stay safe and enjoy the game this weekend!

Mrs. Tierney