



Adams Apple

FTCSC Mission Statement

Our mission is to install in all students a passion for lifelong learning and to inspire each one to contribute as a responsible citizen to the future of our interconnected world.

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August 8, 2014

Important Dates:

Wednesday, August 13 th	Early Dismissal 3:20
Wednesday, August 20 th	Early Dismissal 3:20 Chicago's Pizza Fundraiser
Friday, August 22 nd	Next Adams Apple School Spirit Day-Wear your purple and gold!!

Criminal History Checks

Any parent wishing to work with students outside of the classroom, i.e. in hall or on a field trip where they would take a group out of eyesight of the teacher, will need to complete a criminal history check. Please go to the FTCSC website and find the link under human resources. The cost is \$15.95. The background check lasts 2 years.

If you think you might want to go on a fieldtrip this year, please do it now. The checks usually take two weeks to clear.

COMMUNICATION

Parents, we depend on you to communicate your needs to us. We will continue to put your child on the bus or send them to the back door or YMCA, **UNLESS** we hear differently from you. IF you do have a change in transportation, **PLEASE send in a note or call the front office** so we can make that change for you. We do not simply take the word of the child because at times they may be confused.

Medical Consent Forms and Health Issues

In order for Mrs. Davis, our school nurse, to treat your child in the clinic, she **MUST** have the signed pink form returned to school. Also, if your child has any health issues, please turn in the form.

Fall Fundraiser

We will kick off our Fall Fundraiser on Friday, August 22nd. The sale will end on September 4th. All order forms are due on September 4th.

Picture Day

On Friday, September 5, Life Touch Picture Company will be here to take our students' pictures. An envelope and information will be sent home earlier that week. Please fill out the envelope and include a check if you wish to purchase pictures. **ALL** students will have their pictures taken and included in the yearbook even if you do not purchase a package of pictures.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Our Parent/Teacher Conferences are important events of the year. Each parent will have approximately 15 minutes to discuss your child's progress during the first nine weeks. These conferences are taking place on Wednesday, October 8 and Thursday, October 9 this year. Watch for important scheduling information coming home on Monday, September 15.

DIBELS

All of our students will participate in the DIBELS assessment on August 27 & 28. DIBELS is a short reading test that indicates if each child is at benchmark. If a child is not at benchmark, interventions are put in place for him/her and they are progress monitored every two weeks to decide if the interventions are helping him/her improve.

Please join us for the **First PTS Meeting of the school year on Tuesday, September 9th at 7:00 in the media center.** We will also discuss how to view your student's grades on Infinite Campus and behavior on Class Dojo.

Staff Moves and Changes:

- Mrs. Hardcastle and Mrs. Hoots are teaching 2nd grade this year. Mrs. Nowacki moved to 1st grade.
- Welcome Mrs. Lawrence and Miss Killion to Kindergarten, Miss Watt and Mrs. Shuck to 4th grade, and Miss Dearing to 5th grade, Mrs. Wilburn to the Media Center and Mrs. Decker as a CIP IA.
- Miss Small got married over the summer and is now Mrs. Brown.



Nurse Notes

Welcome Back!

I have received back most of the clinic consents to treat and health concerns forms, and I appreciate your time and effort with those so much! If you have not returned your student's form, please do so next week. If I do not receive a signed clinic consent form, I will call you if a student is sent to clinic, but I won't be able to evaluate or provide any care (except emergent). If you have any questions about the consent, please feel free to call and discuss. I promise to listen with understanding, and I will respect whatever decision you make regarding your child visiting the clinic.

The medication policy states that students in elementary school are NOT allowed to carry medication to or from school. This means that parents need to bring the medication to school and sign the permission to administer in the clinic. Prescription medications need to have the prescription from the doctor still attached when medication is brought to school. If the medication needs to come home, an adult will need to come pick it up. If your student needs emergency medication at school for asthma, seizures, or food allergies, please be sure they are brought to school as soon as possible for their safety.

At the beginning of each year, I review all the health concerns forms that you submit to the clinic. If your child has a medically diagnosed food allergy (or you suspect they need one diagnosed), seizure disorder, or asthma, we have an action plan that your doctor completes yearly so that we can take the best care of your student while at school. Please contact me if you need a copy of one of these forms for your child, or I can fax a copy to your doctor if preferred. If your child develops a health condition later in the year, please update me as needed.

Due to life threatening food allergies, ALL treats that come to school need to be given to your student's teacher well before lunch. Children with food allergies cannot take part in treats brought into the classroom (They chose a safe treat sent in by their parent in substitution, so it is important that we know before leaving the classroom about a treat.) Please do not take the treats directly to the cafeteria at any time. Also, we are a latex free school (due to latex allergies), so please do not send or use latex balloons for party decorations or birthdays.

I want to end on a happy note after all those exhausting rules. I have really enjoyed getting to know some new kindergarten friends, and the cute manner they describe their health "boo-boos". I've been privileged to be called "Vet, Mrs. Clinic, Mr. Nurse, and Doctor" all in one week. I've enjoyed seeing friends from last school year, and they have grown so much this summer. I was blessed by several kind parents who donated clothes and shoes to the clinic. I enjoyed meeting many new parents and reconnecting with previous parents as they stopped by to update me to health needs or bring medication. I love my job as your school nurse, and as a fellow parent, I understand that you are entrusting your greatest gift to me during the school day- your kids. THANK YOU!

Have a great weekend.

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Car Rider Info

A.M.(Morning) Procedure:

- Drop off is between 8:40-8:50
- The designated drop off area is at the back of the building
- The first car pulls all the way to the TOP of the sidewalk. We can usually fit 5-7 cars around the sidewalk area. All cars unload on the SIDEWALK, right side.
- If your car stops just short of the sidewalk, they you wait. When the group in front pulls away, your car becomes the first car to pull to the TOP of the sidewalk.
- We proceed like this until the cars are done unloading.
- The bell rings at 8:50am. If the doors are shut, the you need to pull around to the front office, walk your child inside, sign them in and they will get a tardy slip to take to class.

P.M.(Afternoon) Procedures:

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday dismissal is at 3:50 p.m. until all the cars are loaded.
- Wednesday dismissal is at 3:20 until all the cars are loaded
- The designated loading area is at the back of the building
- The first car pulls all the way to the TOP of the sidewalk. We can usually fit 5-7 cars around the sidewalk area.
- Once the bell rings, we send the first group of children out to the cars. They stop at the last line before the sidewalk curves. When all the cars on the sidewalk have stopped rolling, then we tell the children they may walk to their car
- Please load your child from the SIDEWALK, right side, of the car
- Once the children are in their car and the group drives off, then the next batch pulls up to the TOP of the sidewalk and we repeat the above step
- We continue in this fashion until all the children are safely loaded
- Please stay behind the car in front of you, unless one of the supervising teacher's tells you to go head. If you try to pull out and around you may not be thinking of everyone's safety at that moment.
- We generally finish loading by 4:05 p.m. If you are running late and know you will be past 4:05; call the office and inform them. Your child will be waiting in the office.

Drama Club – Alice in Wonderland, Jr.

We are excited to announce that this year the Adam's Elementary Drama Club will be presenting the production Alice in Wonderland, Jr.! All 4th and 5th grade students will receive further information next week. If you have a child that would like to participate in Drama Club as either cast (on stage) or crew (backstage/props) for the 2014-2015 season, please complete the registration form your child receives next week and submit the \$30 participation fee. Drama Club will meet on WEDNESDAYS immediately after school until 5:00pm. Fourth grade auditions will be Wednesday, August 20, 2014 immediately after school until 5pm. Fifth grade auditions will be Wednesday, August 27, 2014 immediately after school until 5pm. (If your child wants to be involved backstage and not on stage during the production, he/she may turn in registration forms to Mrs. Nowacki, Miss Timmons, or Mrs. Brown. Crew will not be required to audition.) Stay tuned for more information. We are looking forward to another successful production!



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