

# Fruit Street School Newsletter

## November 2019



### **Message from the Principal:**

I hope everyone has enjoyed a great start to the school year and the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter will be ending on Friday, November 1st. I want to thank all of the teachers, staff, and the Fruit Street School families for an incredible start to the 2019-2020.

The first weeks of school have flown by, however, if anyone has any concerns; please do not hesitate to contact me. I want to work with all the Fruit Street School families to make this a great year for all students.

### **News and Information:**

#### ➤ Drop-off and Dismissal...

For the safety of our students, all visitors to school must sign in at the office and wear a visitor's pass at all times. *In the morning, please drop off your child(ren) at the appropriate playground. Please do not stay on the playground, as this is a safety and security issue for the teachers who are on duty.* Thank you for your help in keeping all students safe in the morning. In the afternoon, please be aware of the No Parking Signs and white crosshatching—keeping vehicles clear of these areas ensures the safety of our students. **Changes to your child's afternoon dismissal routine must be received by 2 p.m. and in writing, unless an absolute emergency.**

#### ➤ Safety

- Please remember to use the sidewalks before and after school. This will help to ensure the safety for all students as they enter and leave the school.
- Please remember that no dogs are allowed at school, since this is for the safety of the students, who may be allergic or may be frightened by a dog.

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- As part of the safety procedures set forth by the Bangor School Department, the students will be taking part in fire and lock down drills throughout the year.
- If anyone is interested in volunteering, please call Mr. Fournier or Mrs. McCullough to set up a volunteer training date.
- Tips for reading with your child:
  - **When introducing a new book**, talk about the title, author, and illustrator. Look through the book and talk about what you see.
  - **When you read the story**, have the child read the story with you. Encourage pointing a finger at the words during difficult parts. Help your child with hard words by encouraging strategies they have learned at school.
  - **After you've read the book**, retell the story. Talk about your favorite part. Go back and reread parts of the story focusing on expression

### Upcoming Dates:

Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup> – End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> – Book Fair

Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> – Book Fair

Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> – Math PEAK Night – 5-6 pm

Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> – Report Cards Go Home for Grades 1-3

Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> – No School – Veteran's Day

Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> – Picture Retake Day

Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> – Parent Teacher Conferences

Once again, I want to thank everyone for a successful 1<sup>st</sup> quarter.

Sincerely,

*Richard Fournier*

*"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you'll go."— Dr. Seuss, "I Can Read With My Eyes Shut!"*