





Bryce Kolkow
Rotary Student of the Year 2019

Fruitdale Families,

March is here. I am sure you are all looking forward to Spring Break. Our Spring Break will begin the week of March 25. We will be returning to school on April 1st.

In April, we have a few dates to look forward to put on your calendar. April 11<sup>th</sup> is a no school day for students. On this day, our teachers will be preparing for progress reports and parent-teacher conferences. Our conferences will be held on April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

Our families were hit hard with the sickness that were going around in January and February. As we look forward to spring and warmer temperatures, hopefully we will be able to put these illnesses behind us. Many of you are getting Attendance Letters from our system. If you are getting an attendance letter and would like to have a conversation about it, please give our office a call.

Please remember, when your kids are sick we absolutely support you keeping them at home. The important thing to remember with attendance is that your students should be in school 92% of the time. In the course of the school year, this means your student should not miss any more than about 14 school days. If you child is sick or out for any other reason, please just give our office a call.

Thank you for all your support of the Fruitdale School Community.

Heather Yount Principal

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Spring Picture Day Wednesday, March 20





Top Row: Molly McCord, Izaiah Holleman, Bryce Kolkow, Kaitlyn Coulter, Sheyenne Madison Middle Row: Tyler Jetmore, Jayden Brown, Tristan Canady, Lucien Poole, Zackery Reynolds, Sofica Ramirez

Bottom Row: Liliana Fontana, Claire Christensen, Carter Schramm, Quinton Morse

## **Head Lice Policy**



Students with head lice bugs will be sent home. Adult head lice are roughly 2–3 mm long. Head lice infest the head and neck and attach their eggs to the base of the hair shaft. Lice move by crawling; they cannot hop or fly.

Head lice infestation, or pediculosis, is spread most commonly by close person-to-person contact. Dogs, cats, and other pets do not play a role in the transmission of human lice.

Both over-the-counter and prescription medications are available for treatment of head lice infestations.





Our Battle of the Books team will meet Saturday, March 2 @ Lorna Byrne Middle School. Regional Competition will be Saturday, March 16 in Medford. You must provide your own transportation for both dates.

A typical "Battle" is a full day tournament or game, like College Bowl or Family Feud, in which students' teams earn points by answering questions about the books on the book lists. A typical competition day begins with a meeting in the cafeteria, a morning snack and directions for the day. Each school team competes against other schools, and sent to their first round of the "Battle." They play several rounds, each against a different team. At the end of the morning, points are totaled and the two teams with the most points are invited to a "Grand Battle" after lunch, with the other teams as their audience. These two teams may be given the opportunity to participate in the regional "Battle" held in Medford on March 16.