From the Principal…

Fall is my favorite time of the year! The changing leaves and cooler temperatures are welcome after a long hot summer.

School routines have been established and teachers have completed their fall assessments. We will continue working in data teams this year at all grade levels. We are currently gathering and analyzing our data and preparing to begin our intervention work later in October. Our intervention time is centered around reading and is scheduled each day between 9 and 9:30am. Each student will be placed in an appropriate group for their needs—from intervention and reteaching to enrichment.

We hope you have the Fairview Fever Festival on your calendar! It’s set for October 5th! It will be lots of fun and is one of our PTA’s major fundraisers of the year. We hope to see you there!

Mrs. DeMoss
Principal

Fairview Fever Festival—Friday, October 5th

Don’t forget to volunteer for the Fairview Fever Festival! We only need one hour of your time to give our kids a festival worth remembering! Sign up here. Contact Deidra Lookingbill at dlookingbill@gmail.com with any questions about volunteering.

Spirit Week—

Tuesday, Oct 2nd: Time Machine Tuesday—Wear clothes from any time in the past
Wednesday, Oct 3rd: Black Hole Day—Wear black
Thursday, Oct 4th: Space Jammy Day—PJ Day
Friday, Oct 5th: FEVER FESTIVAL DAY! Wear Fairview spirit wear or Fairview colors (blue, yellow, & white)

Always remember to check the Fairview website at https://www.cpsk12.org/fve for calendar information or our monthly Falcon Flyer newsletter. Peachjar is a way that information is being sent home instead of paper copies. If you aren’t receiving any electronic Peachjar flyers, please contact the main office at (573) 214-3590.
**Volunteer Opportunities**

Would you like to be a Teacher Appreciation Representative for your child’s teacher? If so, please go here to sign up. Teacher Appreciation Reps typically coordinate collections for the teacher (i.e., birthday, holiday gift, etc.) Your help is greatly appreciated!!

Please contact Jenn Sonnenberg at (573) 214-3590 or JSonnenberg@cpsk12.org in the main office if you have any questions.

Remember to sign up for the Fairview PTA! We still need volunteers to help with the Used Book Fairs, Staff Appreciation Week, Gardens and Landscaping, and more!

Contact Deidra Lookingbill at dlookingbill@gmail.com to learn how you can get involved.

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**Music**

At Planet Music all grade levels have been experiencing and creating music through singing, chant, dance, movement, playing instruments, and games. We are having a ton of fun and are creating some great music. Our piano lab has just arrived as well. All grades will have a small amount of piano playing time! You can see what’s happening in the music room by following us on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/ FVEFalconsMusic and Twitter @FVEFalconsMusic

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**P.E.**

Welcome to another year in Fairview Physical Education! As with other areas of the building, we’re working to learn routines and expectations in the gym. Please help your child remember what day they have P.E. and get those tennis shoes ready. Please work with your child to learn to tie their tennis shoes. We’re working on a range of skills depending on the grade your child is in—be sure to ask them what’s going on! All the best to everyone as we take off for another fun year at Fairview!! Keep sending in the pictures of your kids being active! You can also email pictures to me at: AnWright@cpsk12.org. I will print your photos to add to the bulletin board.

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**Art**

Don’t forget to follow us on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/Fairview-Art-2720929217932659/

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**Nurse’s News:**

**Kindergarten Hearing and Vision Screening** will occur on Wednesday, October 3rd. All kindergarteners will be screened.

The **Flu Vaccination Clinic** provided by the Department of Health & Human Services will be held at Fairview again this year, **Wednesday, October 10th from 1:00-3:00 pm in the Media Center**. Only those students who return their permission forms will be allowed to receive the vaccination. Only the flu shot will be available this year.

There will be a **Dental Clinic** offered this year on **Monday, October 1st**. Permission forms were sent home in Friday Folders in September. Students will receive a screening from a dentist and a fluoride varnish application.

We have two MU nursing students working for us in the Fairview Nurse’s Office this semester. These students have been trained in accordance with CPS policy and procedures including laws regarding confidentiality. Please contact Rachel Willenberg if you have any questions or concerns.
**Arrival and Dismissal**

To ensure a smooth start to the school day, **students should not arrive before 8:00am**. Supervision begins at that time by Fairview staff. **Students who arrive after 8:20am are tardy and are asked to check in at the office and receive a pass before going to their classrooms.** Chronic tardiness leads to missed Instruction time. Please be on time.

**Dismissal procedures:**

**If you need to pick up your child prior to dismissal at 3:20, you must check them out in the office.**

Thanks to all who have avoided parking along the red fire lane in the circle drive. Yorktown lot should be working the same way. No parking along the edge; only drop off and pick up which should keep traffic moving along. Please avoid parking adjacent to entries and exits of the circle drive and the lot, this creates difficulty for buses and vehicles moving in and out.

**Making Changes to End of Day Routines**

If your child needs to go home a different way than their usual routine, please contact the office before 2:00pm. The secretaries will communicate the information to the teachers. Teachers often do not get to check emails and subs do not have access.

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**Attendance**

**Did you know** that every minute from 8:20 in the morning to 3:20 in the afternoon is counted for your child’s attendance? Simply arriving late, being picked up early from school—along with normal medical appointments and sick days—can add up very quickly against your child’s attendance. **Every. Minute. Counts!**

**How will Fairview help you?** Each time your child reaches a preset point you will receive an attendance letter. The attendance letters are meant to keep you aware of how much time your child has missed. We strive to have all children achieve a 90% attendance rate.

**How can you help?** A few things, actually! First, please communicate if your child is going to miss a day. Even when there is a day that CPS announces that your child will be excused (bad weather, for example), please **still notify the main office by calling (573) 214-3590 or send an email to JSonnenberg@cpsk12.org** to keep us in the loop. While this absence will be excused, it is still an absence and does count against their attendance. Another helpful tip is to try to schedule appointments outside of the school day, during breaks, or on early release days. We realize that this isn’t always possible, but if it is, that can save your student from missing a chunk of time. Finally, if your child has an appointment during the day, you can bring him or her to school before the appointment begins and/or after it’s over. Remember, minutes away from school are critical, and we’d rather have your student here for part of the day instead of none of it!

**Helpful terms.** We wanted to provide you with definitions of commonly used attendance terms to help you as we begin the year:

**Absence:** Any amount of time that a child is not present at school—whether it’s excused, unexcused, or medical.

**Unexcused Absence:** Time that a child is not present, and the family does not communicate with Fairview.

**Excused Absence:** Time that a child is not present, but the family has communicated with Fairview via phone call, email, or directly with the teacher.

**Medical:** Appointments can only be marked “medical” if we receive a note from the medical office.