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"Learning and Leading to Empower Our Genius!"



Join us to celebrate our love of reading with a spooky twist!

Dress up as your favorite book character and decorate your

trunk in your favorite literary theme!

- Prizes for best costume and best trunk decor
- Local authors and special guest judges
- Food trucks available for dinner

Fairhope West families, teachers, local businesses and community members are invited to participate.

Trunk decoration judging begins at 5:30, so get your spot and set up early!

-Event Ghanges:

You may hand out treats from your trunk! We will have gloves and hand sanitizer available to you. Bring your favorite Halloween inspired games to add some fun! Pumpkin Bowling, Pin the Hat on the Witch, etc.!

Be Greative!



Please contact Brittian Cryar at fairhopewestptp@gmail.com or 256-473-7181 to donate items or participate in the Trunk Decoration Contest

Important Dates Oct. 30 Spooks and Books Truck or Treat 5:00 p.m. Nov. I-Dec. II Toys for Tots Nov. 2-18 Auburn vs. Alabama Canned Food Drive Nov. 11 Veterans Day - No School Nov. 13 Perfect Attendance Out of Uniform Nov. 13 Prepay Santa Pictures, Out of Uniform for Those Being Photographed Progress Reports Go Home Nov. 20 Nov. 16-Dec. 4 Online Book Fair Nov. 23-27 Thanksgiving Holidays, No School

Fairhope West Online Book Fair

The holidays are coming, and books make great gifts. Create a win-win by shopping at Fairhope West Elementary's first online book fair from **November 16th** through **December 4th!** Our school earns money for library books when you purchase books from the Online Book Fair and kids get great books!

Go to: www.cranebookfairs.com to order

Click the tab: Shop the Online Book Fair Add items to your cart & check out

Looking for a certain title? Click the search icon to help find the book faster.

When checking out: You must choose your School in the drop down box. Make sure to add your Child's Name and Homeroom

*Parents you will have the option to ship to the school or to your home address. We offer free shipping for all orders over \$25.00 or orders being shipped to the school.

Thank you for supporting the Fairhope West Elementary library!

Need a Fairhope West long sleeve t-shirt for the fall or a pirate embroidered fleece jacket for your child or teenager for Christmas?





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Fairhope West Elementary is sponsoring a canned food drive for local food banks. Between November 2 and November 18, students are encouraged to bring canned food to help provide meals for those less fortunate during this upcoming holiday season. Students will get to place their food item in the Auburn or Alabama pile for a fun competition and bragging rights! Roll Tide and War Eagle!

TOYS FOR TOTS

The Marine Corps League #1378 is sponsoring the Toys for Tots Drive again this year! The drive will begin on November 2nd and end on - December 11th. year over a thousand local children received a bit of Christmas from the contributions! WOW!!

Together small contributions can make a BIG difference!

Reflex Math Fluency

- Getting the

Green Light Lots of parents groan when they reflect back to elementary

school and recall memorizing math facts. Today, though, our students have a

per week.

super fun computer program,

Reflex, that helps to make learning math facts fun. Parent, here is how you can help. We need you to check your child's progress daily on Reflex to see if they "got the Green Light." The Green Light-located in the upper right corner of the screen-illuminates once a student answers a certain number of facts correctly on a given day. A student can typically get the Green Light in 15 minutes of concentrated use. For best results, students

Getting the Green Light is how students can gain improved math fact fluency as quickly and efficiently as possible. If a student uses Reflex for 20 days, but only has 50% Green Light usage, then they have had only 10 days of good practice to build fact fluency.

should get the Green Light at least three days

So, parents, after checking your child's progress each day, if they didn't get the Green Light, please encourage them to go on at home and get that Green Light! Your child's teacher has sent home account creation and login information to assist! If you have any questions, please contact us!



LeaderinMe



Habit 3: Put 1st Things 1st

How does *Putting 1st Things 1st* look at school?

- ◆ Putting personal items away in backpacks before starting the day
- ♦ Washing hands before eating breakfast/snack
- ♦ Finishing one project before starting a new one
- ♦ Cleaning up materials before moving on to another activity

How does *Putting 1st Things 1st* look at home?

- Doing what Mom and Dad ask me to do before doing what I want to do
- ♦ Cleaning up my room before playing outside
- ♦ Finishing my dinner before eating dessert
- ◆ Putting away my toys in the living room before going to play in my bed room

Are You Your Child's BEST Reading Teacher?

Don't underestimate your skills! Your influence is stronger than you think. The research tells us that the amount of time that students spend independently reading **outside of school** is the best predictor of reading achievement! Independent reading is that free, voluntary reading that includes anything the child considers free and voluntary.

- 🔷 comic books
- magazines
- poetry
- joke books
- encyclopedias
- novels
- picture books

If you need books, get a Fairhope library card, ask your teacher for books, or check out the book selection at Goodwill! Then place those books around the

house like in the bathroom, at the kitchen counter, by the bed and sofa, and in the car. Outside of school reading is the BEST! You can be your child's best teacher – the research proves it!





In an effort to update new families to FWE and families who have returned since reconfiguration to a K-6 school, below is a repeat of last year's exciting news about our academic achievement. (No state tests were administered in May of 2020 due to Covid.)

To help make these gains over the past four years, Baldwin County has emphasized improved reading instruction through guided reading. In addition, Fairhope Elementary, using fundraising money, provided intense reading remediation by hiring tutors and purchasing extra remediation materials and high interest reading materials for all students. Our teachers and students thank you for supporting the past fundraisers so they could have "extra" instructional materials in their classrooms. The academic data is evidence of well spent funds! Thank you!!

Yearly Instructional Investment from Locally Raised Funds

\$40,000	Part-time Tutors for students struggling with reading
\$20,000	Supplemental reading materials like Scholastic Magazine, Storyworks, & Friendship Club
\$25,000	Continuing education for teachers and professional learning teams to lead instruction
\$10,000	Leader in Me
\$10,000	Additional instructional materials like Rocket Math and IXL Math, 1 st Grade dictionaries, 2 nd grade cursive handwriting workbooks, guided reading easels, etc

MORE GREAT NEWS!

Now that the 3-mil property tax will take up the gauntlet and fund our instructional needs, we can begin dreaming about improving non-instructional dreams: shade sails over our playground, more trees, PE equipment, band, instruments, and art and music supplies.

Thank you for helping FWE achieve these academic goals and enhancements for our children!





Fairhope Elementary School Earns an "A" on the ALSDE Report Card!

The Alabama State Department School Report Cards were released in October 2019 revealing that FES has tied for top scores in Baldwin County. Fairhope Elementary and Orange Beach Elementary each earned a 99/A! Twelve schools in the state scored a 100/A. Fairhope Elementary report card was docked 3/4ths of 1 percent for the 5.65% of students who were absent 18 days or more, excused and/or unexcused.

		Weighted Reading Achieve- ment	Weighted Math Achievement	Weighted Academic Achievement	Academic Growth	% of Population with Chronic Absenteeism	Overall Report Card Grade
4	2018-2019	95.17%	100.00	99.32	100%	5.65% (Defined as 18 or more absences)	99/A
;	2017-2018	92.52%	98.44%	95.48%	100%	11.09% (Defined as 15 or more absences)	97/A
1	2016-2017	70.89%	94.21%	82.55/B	No Data	10.1% (Defined as 15 or more absences)	83/B
	2015-2016	64.43	93.17	78.8/C	No Data	No Data	NA
;	2014-2015	No Data	No Data	No Data	No Data	No Data	NA