

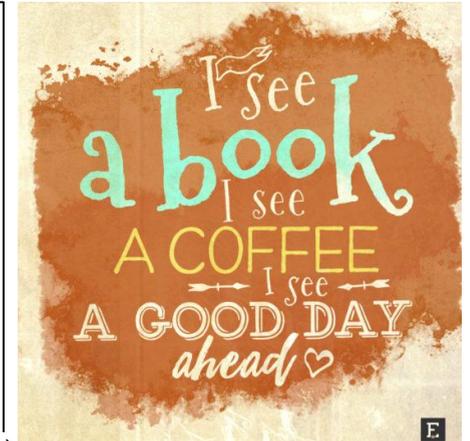
BOOM CLAP THUNDERBIRD CHAT

January 2018

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Important Dates

January 10 (Tentative Date), SPIRIT DAY, 80's Day
January 11, PTA Meeting, 5:30pm
January 12, BINGO @ Downsville Ruritan, 6:30pm
February 2, SPIRIT DAY - Football Jersey
February 8, 5th Grade to the Planetarium
February 8, PTA Meeting, 5:30pm
February 9, (Tentative Date), SPIRIT DAY - Dress Like You are 100!
February 9, BINGO @Downsville Ruritan, 6:30pm
February 21, Grades K & 1 to the Baltimore Aquarium
February 26, SPIRIT DAY - Wear PJ's
February 27, SPIRIT DAY - Wear a Hat
February 27-March 2, 5th Grade to Outdoor School
February 28, SPIRIT DAY - Wear College Gear or Dress for Success
March 1, SPIRIT DAY - Wear Crazy/Mismatched Socks
March 2, SPIRIT DAY - Dress Like your Favorite Dr. Seuss Character
March 8, PTA Meeting, 5:30pm
March 9, BINGO @ Downsville Ruritan, 6:30pm
March 21, Grades 2&3 Chorus Concert, 5:30pm
March 26 & 27, Grade 2 to Children's Village
March 28, Leprechaun Leap & T-Buck Activity (20 T-Bucks)
March 28, SPIRIT DAY - Wear Green



All about Mrs. Lougheed!

I am a Pennsylvania dairy farm girl, born and raised. Family is very important to me and I love spending time with and hosting family and friends! A handsome Canadian roped me in a few years ago and we now have been on the adventure of marriage for three and a half years. We love traveling, exploring, and renovating houses (I'm still learning to love the renovation part). I knew I loved teaching from a young age and I now have several years of teaching under my belt. Spending time being a youth leader also keeps me young. I not only love teaching, I love learning and I can't wait to see where learning takes me in life.



THANK YOU COMMUNITY HELPERS!

Jacob Houser (Mitchell Houser) - Farmer
Katie Gooch (Talon Gross) - Teacher
Dana Wright (Will & Annie Wright) - Judge
Stacy Robinson (Logan Robinson) - Nurse
Guy Robinson (Logan Robinson) - Firefighter
Amy Faulders (Noah, Kaleb, & Gabriel Faulders) - Nurse
Jess & Mike Angle (Grey Stevenson) - Division of Corrections
Ryan Stevenson (Grey Stevenson) - Division of Corrections



Get the news you need! We have many tools for communicating with families. Please be sure to sign up for the following:



- Connect 5 - Phone calls and Thursday emails. Please make sure we have your correct number and email on file.
- Facebook - www.facebook.com/Fountain-Rock-Elementary-100345960393387/
- FRE website - www.fountainrock.weebly.com. We post pictures from events here, staff emails are here, etc.!
- Parent & Student Vue - Gradebook & Attendance Information. Please contact the front office if you are having trouble logging in.
- Instagram - #frethunderbirds
- Remind - This is the system we use for full school field trips & after school activities. Again, we need your correct email address or cell number on file!

RANDOM STUFF!



What's Happening in K in January

Math: decomposing and composing teen numbers, describe measurable attributes

Science: plan and conduct investigations to compare the effects of different pushes and pulls (forces) on an object

ELA: Nonfiction – Main Idea, Ask and Answer questions about unknown words in text, and author's purpose
Fiction - Author's purpose & Retelling key details

Writing – Narrative Writing Piece & How to books



What's Happening in Gr. 1 in January

Math: Exploring measurement with non-standard forms

Science: Exploring light while understanding and learning how to plan and conduct investigations.

Reading: Understanding the importance of text features, informational texts and how they teach us more about the main topic.

What's Happening in Gr. 2 in January

Math: Adding and subtracting within 1,000

Social Studies: Classifying places and regions in an environment using geographic characteristics

Reading: Describing the structure of a text as well as knowing and using text features to increase comprehension

What's Happening in Gr. 3 in January

ELA: Comparing and contrasting themes of various fairy tales.

Writing: Writing real and imagined narratives.

Social Studies: Apply knowledge of political and social structures to actively participate as an informed global citizen.

Math: Two step word problems with four operations.

Science: Study of force and Motion

What's Happening in Gr. 4 in January

Reading: Understanding theme and describing in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama.

Writing: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.

Math: Fractions and Decimals

Science: Motion and Rube Goldberg Machines

What's Happening in Gr. 5 in January:

Math: Computing with fractions with like and unlike denominators

Science: Investigating the relationship between Earth's Systems and the distribution of water on Earth.

Reading: Read, comprehend, and analyze complex literary texts.

Student Book Talks

Dogman: A Tale of Two Kitties by Dav Pilkey



Kole Lantigua

A bad Cat named Petey escapes from Cat Jail and discovers that his house is not as he left it. He decides to create a clone of himself to be a maid but opens the box too early and ends up with a kitten. Dogman adopts the kitten and turns him against Petey which leads into a pretty funny set of events.

The Wild Christmas Reindeer
by Jan Brett

Teeka had a hard job to get Santa's reindeer ready for Christmas. She had to work really hard and realized that she needed to be nice along the way.

This job was much tougher than anything she expected!



Trinity Huffman



LITERACY & PTA NEWS

What our AWESOME PTA has sponsored for us to date:

- Smithsonian Field Trip
- Fall Harvest Dance
- Supplies for Teachers
- Back to School Luncheon
- Holiday Luncheon
- Pavilion Picnic Tables



Adult Book Recommendation The Rooster Bar by John Grisham

Mark, Todd, and Zola came to law school to change the world, to make it a better place. But now, as third-year students, these close friends realize they have been duped. They all borrowed heavily to attend a third-tier, for-profit law school so mediocre that its graduates rarely pass the bar exam, let alone get good jobs. And when they learn that their school is one of a chain owned by a shady New York hedge-fund operator who also happens to own a bank specializing in student loans, the three know they have been caught up in The Great Law School Scam. But maybe there's a way out. Maybe there's a way to escape their crushing debt, expose the bank and the scam, and make a few bucks in the process. But to do so, they would first have to quit school. And leaving law school a few short months before graduation would be completely crazy, right? Well, yes and no . . . Pull up a stool, grab a cold one, and get ready to spend some time at The Rooster Bar.

Book Recommendations for K-2



Giraffe's Can't Dance
The Pout Pout Fish
Everything is Momma



Ordinary People Change the World
Dragons Love Tacos



Book Recommendations for 3-5

Wonder
Diary of a Wimpy Kid - The Getaway
Swing It, Sunny
Left Out



Congratulations to our
Geography Bee Finalists!

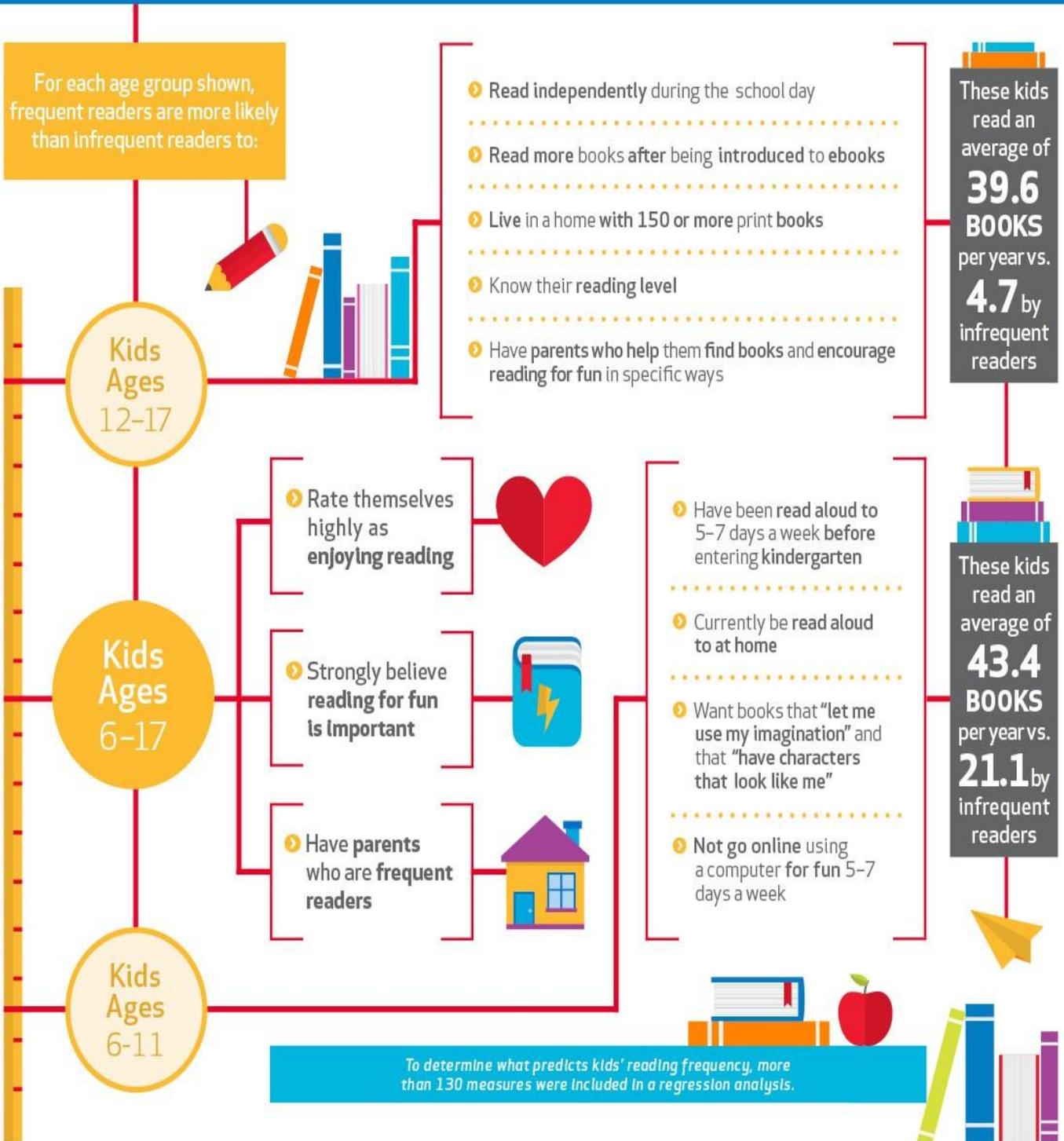
Jack Smith
Jacob Phillips
Jalen Coleman
Andrew Snook
Conner Murphy
Noah Faulders
Aiden Witmer
Zach Vales
Winston Estell
Murray Brauner

Why Reading 20 Minutes a Night is so Critical

Student A	Student B	Student C
20 minutes per day	5 minutes per day	1 minute per day
3,600 minutes per school year	900 minutes per school year	180 minutes per school year
1,800,000 words per year	282,00 words per year	8,000 words per year
Scores in the 90th percentile on standard tests.	Scores in the 50th percentile on standardized tests.	Scores in the 10th percentile on standardized tests.

Parents please be sure that your child wears a winter coat everyday. We go outside, except for when it is raining, every day!

What Makes Frequent Readers: The Most Powerful Predictors



Results from a nationally representative survey of 1,026 parents of children ages 6-17, plus one child age 6-17 from the same household, conducted August 29, 2014 through September 10, 2014, and managed by YouGov. See the full methodology at scholastic.com/readingreport. Frequent readers are defined as children who read books 5-7 days a week, whereas infrequent readers read books for fun less than one day a week.

Kids & Family Reading Report™: Fifth Edition

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BUNDLE UP WITH BOX TOPS



Thank you for helping! Clipped Box Tops are each worth 10¢ for your child's school. Bonus certificates should not be attached to this sheet - please submit them separately. To see more ways to earn cash for your child's school, go to BTFE.com.

WASHINGTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2017-2018 Academic Year Calendar

Summer: Schools and Center for Education Services (CES) Closed Fridays
 4: Independence Day (Schools & CES Closed)

JULY 2017						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

1: New Year's Holiday (Schools & CES Closed)
 15: Martin Luther King's Birthday (Schools & CES Closed)
 25: End of Second Marking Period (43 Days)
 26: Professional Learning Day for Teachers (No Students)

JANUARY 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Teachers: 21 Students: 20

Summer: Schools & CES Closed Fridays
 21-23: New Teacher Induction Days
 28-31: Professional Learning Days for Teachers (No Students)

AUGUST 2017						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Teachers: 4 Students: 0

19: President's Day (Schools & CES Closed)

FEBRUARY 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28			

Teachers: 19 Students: 19

1: Professional Learning Day for Teachers (No Students)
 4: Labor Day (Schools and CES Closed)
 5: School Begins for Students

SEPTEMBER 2017						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Teachers: 20 Students: 19

28: End of Third Marking Period (42 Days)
 29: Professional Learning Day for Teachers (No Students)
 30: Spring Break (Schools & CES Closed)

MARCH 2018						
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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Teachers: 21 Students: 20

20: Association Day (Schools & CES Closed)

OCTOBER 2017						
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Teachers: 21 Students: 21

2: Spring Break (Schools & CES Closed)

APRIL 2018						
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Teachers: 20 Students: 20

9: End of First Marking Period (47 Days)
 10: Professional Learning Day for Teachers (No Students)
 22: Professional Learning Day for Teachers (No Students)
 23-24: Thanksgiving Break (Schools & CES Closed)

NOVEMBER 2017						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Teachers: 20 Students: 18

26: Memorial Day (Schools & CES Closed)

MAY 2018						
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Teachers: 22 Students: 22

22: Winter Break (Schools & CES Closed)
 25-29: Winter Break (Schools & CES Closed)

DECEMBER 2017						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

Teachers: 15 Students: 15

6-8: Evening Graduations
 8: Last Day for Students -
 • Assuming No Inclement Weather
 • 2½ Hour Early Dismissal - No Half-Day Pre-Kindergarten
 • End of Fourth Marking Period (48 Days)
 11: Last Day for Teachers
 • Assuming No Inclement Weather
 • Professional Learning Day for Teachers

JUNE 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Teachers: 7 Students: 6

Schools and CES Closed End of Marking Period Professional Learning Day 2½ Hour Early Dismissal New Teacher Induction Day

The Board of Education reserves the right to alter the calendar to include inclement weather make-up days on June 11, 12, 13, 14, and other changes as necessary.