



Forest Avenue Bulletin

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September 28 – October 4, 2016

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Wednesday, September 28

- Pomptonian Lunch – Popcorn Chicken

Thursday, September 29

- Pomptonian Lunch – Mozzarella Sticks

Friday, September 30

- Pomptonian Lunch – Cheeseburger
- Sportswear deadline (extended)

Monday, October 3

- School Closed – Rosh Hashanah

Tuesday, October 4

- Anti-bullying Assembly
- Week of Respect – Wear blue
- Pomptonian Lunch – French Toast Sticks

Wednesday, October 5

- 8:00am – Walk-to-School Day
- Week of Respect – Wear green
- Pomptonian Lunch – Cheesesteak

Thursday, October 6

- Week of Respect – Wear Red
- Pomptonian Lunch – Nachos Grande

Friday, October 7

- Week of Respect – Wear Maroon
- Field Trip (1st Grade)
- Pomptonian Lunch – Chicken Nuggets

Forest Ave Celebrates “Week of Respect” October 3rd – 7th

A letter from Mr. Monacelli was distributed this week describing the ‘pillars of character’ for next week’s “Week of Respect”. As part of initiative we ask that all students recognize each pillar by wearing the color of the day. Don’t forget to ask your child about what they learned for each day!

Tuesday, Oct 4th

Blue

(Respect/Responsibility)

Wednesday, Oct 5th

Green (Fairness)

Thursday, Oct 6th

Red (Citizenship)

Friday, Oct 7th

Maroon (Trustworthiness)



Cultural Arts Assembly: “Through Another’s Eyes”

Forest Avenue will be kicking off its “Week of Respect” with an exciting yet meaningful show from **Snakes-n-Scales** on **Tuesday, October 4th**. Using animals that are often misunderstood or feared, the students will learn how taking the time to understand another’s perspective is a key lesson in gaining compassion, empathy, and the ability to get along despite each others’ differences.

To learn more about Snakes-N-Scales and the special work they do check out their website: <http://snakes-n-scales.com>. Many thanks to the SCA for sponsoring this program!



Reminder Corner

- ✓ The school is closed **Monday, October 3**, for Rosh Hashanah.
- ✓ **Wednesday, October 5th** is Walk-to-School Day. Come dressed in our school color, ‘forest’ **green**, and meet at **8:00am** at one of two locations: **Forest-Gerdes** and **Forest-Pease**. Bring your VEC poster! Contact **Amanda Weil** at asweil@me.com for more information.
- ✓ Remember to sign up online for pomptonian lunch!
<https://verona.pomptonianmenus.com/order>

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Farewell and Welcome

Mrs. Katey McAuliffe, our Library Media Specialist has accepted a position in another district, very close to her home. Her last day is today, **September 28th**. Mrs. McAuliffe has been employed in the district for 15 years, working with our students at both Forest and Laning. We wish her well in her new position.

We welcome **Mrs. Elissa Freda** as our new Library Media Specialist. Mrs. Freda, a Verona resident, previously worked as a library media specialist in Clifton. We look forward to welcoming her to our staff on **September 29th**.



THANKS! XIEXIE! GRAZIE! MERCI!

Thank you to the library volunteers **Christine McGrath**, **Bill Sluk** and **Linda Farley** for re-shelving books. The kids were so excited to be able to check library books out again!

Thank you to all the families that supported Team Zoey this weekend at the Mets Game!

Thank you to our School Picture committee; **Kelly Burke Rachel Manley**, **Noelle Guarino**, **Colleen Gangl**, **Deanna Kohler**, **Kelly Lucente** and **Kim Nachbaur**. It was a smooth day of smiling.



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SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY

Please join the Junior Woman’s Club of Verona in fighting hunger with their 3rd annual own-wide food drive for the Montclair Human Needs Pantry. This regional food pantry serves Verona residents, and the Holy Spirit Food Pantry located in Verona. The drive will begin on Sunday, October 9, 2016 and conclude on Saturday, October 15, 2016. The week will culminate with a food collection celebration! Join us on the on the steps of the Verona Town Hall on October 15th.

Each Forest Avenue family will receive a brown paper bag with an instructional flyer on October 7^h. All filled bags will be collected on October 15^h.

See the attached flyer for more information and for your Kings shopping coupon.

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Help Wanted! –Lunch Aides

We are in need of paid lunch aides for the 2016-17 school year. Lunch aides work for 1 hour a day from approximately 11:40am–12:40pm. They would help to supervise the children at lunch time. This would be a great opportunity to get involved at Forest Avenue School and to get to know our kids even better. Even if working 5 days a week is not possible, we might be able to work out a job share. If you are interested (or know someone who may be interested) in working with us, please contact us at 973-571-6754 or dlawrence@veronaschools.org as soon as possible.

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Class Basket Raffle



Do you own, or know someone who owns a business? We are seeking donations for our schools basket raffle which is held on Election Day. We are happy and grateful for absolutely any donation. This is a REALLY big fundraiser for our school, and the more donations we receive, the more money it would make for our school. This is such a BIG election year, that we are hoping for many donations. It's also a really great way to get a business noticed, or bring in new clients to any already established business. Please consider making a donation if you own a business, or know of someone who owns a business and is willing to contribute!!! Please contact **Kara Conklin** at karaconklin21@gmail.com with any and all donations, contributions, or any questions or concerns you may have. Many thanks!!



Kidstuff Coupon Books on Sale

You can still order your KidStuff book. Filled with hundreds of national, regional, and local coupons for all ages our school earns 50% or more profit for every book we sell! Additional editions are online at www.kidstuffcouponbook.com. Contact **Andrea Santamaria** at AndreaMsantamaria@gmail.com or 973-239-3132 with any questions or orders.

Supermarket Gift Card (SCRIP) Contest

This year we are giving away prizes to the classes that meet monthly goals for SCRIP orders. The first prize to be given out is an “extra” recess in November, which will be given to classes on either a half day (when there is usually no recess) or a “double” recess on a full day.

Classes that have already won this prize:

KC, KL, 2C, 4B, 4G

Classes that have not yet won this prize:

1L, 1W, 2G, 3E, 3G

What can you do to help win the prize for your class? Sign up to receive a supermarket gift card order (see attached order form). If you already have a monthly order, consider increasing your order to more closely match your monthly food bill. Questions? Email **Christine McGrath** at forestavenuescrip@gmail.com or call/text her at 201-988-2404.



Sportswear Store Extended, Shop NOW!

Forest Avenue Spirit Wear Store is still open! You now have until **Friday, September 30th** to shop! All brand **NEW** items for students and their parents are now available. It's easy! Go to www.academyapparelnj.com click on online stores, click on Forest Avenue School and shop! Want to see the product in person? Visit Academy Apparel, 5 Fairview Ave for sizing.

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