



The Firewire Parents' Weekly

September 4-9, 2018

The time has come! Students have flooded our hallways and are already looking forward to a new year of being on a Firebird athletic team, acting on stage, or learning numbers and letters, and hopefully just plain eager to learn. I am very mindful that we only get one chance to make a first impression; so my goal is that our staff and environment will be welcoming to our students and parents as they enter the school. The quote below captures this thought:

I do not teach. I relate.

- Montaigne

For the “newbies” to Fultonvale - The Firewire Weekly will be a weekly update of school events, highlights and general news. I will normally send it out via email to all staff on the weekend, with an altered version going out to parents.

Staffing at Fultonvale has undergone some very recent changes. As shared earlier, Mrs. Tsiclas is at Clover Bar Junior High. She has shared the following with Fultonvale community;

Hello Fultonvale, I wanted to let you know I am beginning a new adventure this year at Clover Bar School. I have enjoyed my time at Fultonvale School, have learned much from everyone and will miss my Fultonvale staff, students and families. You are like family to me. It has been a great pleasure working for and with everyone; thank you for all the support, insights, and laughter you have provided to me over the past two years. Thanks again for everything, and best wishes to all Fultonvale community members in their future endeavors.

I am pleased that Mr. Wever is now our Assistant Principal. Other changes include Mr. Michael Randall, as our Construction & Fabrication, PE & outdoor ed. teacher, Ms. Christine Beamish as our French teacher while Madame Jefferies (Homeniuk) is on Medical Leave for a few weeks, and finally, we welcome Mrs. Shelley Derewianka who will be in for Mr. Hill as he continues to recuperate from his surgery last spring.

This Week's Activities

Monday – Labour Day Holiday

- No school

Tuesday – Day 1

- Day 1! Welcome back students.
- Elder Wilson is with us and will be sitting in on elementary classes as we start up the year.

Wednesday – Day 2

- Early Dismissal @ 1:38 p.m.

Thursday – Day 3

- Teaching & Learning

Friday –Day 4

- Teaching & Learning

Note: Volleyball Tryouts – Junior High

All students MUST have a signed permission form in order to tryout.

- Senior Girls Tryouts: Wednesday @ 1:45 – 4:00 (early dismissal & more time for starting up) and Thursday 3:00 - 4:30
- Senior Boys Tryouts: Thursday 4:30 – 6:00 pm and Friday 3:00 - 4:30 pm
- Junior Girls Tryouts: Monday, Sept. 10th and Tuesday, Sept. 11th @ 4:30-6:00
- Junior Boys Tryouts: Wednesday, Sept. 12th and Thursday, Sept. 13th @ 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

On Stage for the week of September 10-16:

➤ *Monday*

- ECS –KM pictures
- Welcome Week activities are planned each day as a fun way to re-unite with friends and classmates.

➤ *Tuesday*

- ECS – KT & gr. 1-9 pictures
- Junior High option change requests due

➤ *Wednesday*

- Meet the Staff BBQ starts at 5:00. There will be an introduction of school staff somewhere between 5:15-5:30. It will be informal as we will be outside. We look forward to seeing everyone at the BBQ. Thank you to the parent group (FSAC) for organizing and putting on this event.

➤ *Thursday*

- Continuation of Welcome Week activities

➤ *Friday*

- Welcome Week assembly
- Turkey Trot: Assembly @ 10:00 followed by the elementary Trot then the junior high Trot
- EIPS Senior Volleyball Tournament begins. Ends Saturday. GO FIREBIRDS!

School News & Upcoming Events

- **Entrances into the school**

There are 3 entry points into Fultonvale during morning drop off:

1. The west side entryway (by the gymnasium) will be open to students/parents until 8:00 a.m. for morning drop off. We encourage parents to use the west parking lot as a point of morning drop off to alleviate congestion in the main/south parking lot.
2. The SE entrance is available for students.
3. The main office doors are where the majority of students will enter the building.

Our entrances are automated and lock at 8:00 a.m. The Main office doors remain unlocked until 4:00 p.m. If you arrive to school after 8:00 a.m. please access the building via the main office entrance. This way we can ensure a student's attendance and hand the student a late slip for their teacher. Thank you in advance for helping keep all Fultonvale community members safe.

- **Milk Tickets & Concession**

We will once again be selling milk through our concession. This year the milk containers have changed to a larger capacity plastic container. A sheet of 20 tickets will be available for \$25. If you still have tickets from last year, they will be honoured. Milk can also be purchased daily at \$1.50.

Concession opens Monday, September 10th. We offer a variety of healthy snacks along with some cup of soups & microwaveable lunches.

- Colchester Community League events



SHOW & SHINE

**\$10 Registration Fee
Prizes!**

September 9, 2018
11 AM - 3 PM
23219 Twp Rd. 520 Sherwood Park, All
Entertainment and Food!

The image shows a close-up of the front of a classic car, likely a 1960s Ford Mustang, with a blue body and gold accents. The car is parked outdoors. Below the image is a white box with a black border containing event details.

Kudos

To each one of you for preparing your classrooms, items and plans for the coming year.

To the Welcome Week committee for organizing the team building activities.

A Final Thought...

Each one of you brings a unique presence each day to the students at Fultonvale. As we meet our students this year be mindful that students look to us as a beginning of a new year; full of promise. The following quote captures this notion well. "No river can return to its source, yet all rivers must have a beginning."

Native American (on impossibility)

Enjoy your week. ~ Brad