

Today is Friday, March 8th and it is an “E” day. Monday the 18th when we return will be an “F” day. Remember there is no school next week for Spring Break. Be safe and have fun!

This week’s Word of the Week is “FACTOR”. The definition is “a fact or situation that influences a result; the numbers you multiply to get a product.” Here it is in a sentence: “Icy and snowy roads were definitely a factor in all the car accidents this winter.”

Thanks so much for all of you who participated in Spirit Week and Sock Drive! It’s great to see Ben Franklin’s pride and generosity! We’ll collect the sock donation boxes today and count up the sock totals for the Dorothy Day SOCK DRIVE. So, please put any more socks that you have to turn in into the baskets in your team centers by the end of your Advisory class today. When you return from break, we’ll announce which team won the cookie prize party! Make sure any donations you have are in your team’s box by the end of advisory today, and thanks again for your great participation this week!

Congratulations to our Ben Franklin students that won at the State Level for this year’s PTA Refection’s contest. Winners are Emily Gorder 1st place in Literature, Evelynn Bauske 1st place in Visual Arts, Liam Helm 2nd place in Visual Arts and Julia Helm 3rd place in Visual Arts. Great job Wildcats!

The Ben Franklin Mathcounts club participated in the Tri-College Math Competition on Wednesday of this week. In the team event, Ben Franklin came in THIRD place out of 34 teams! The plaque is on display in the main office. Team members were Charlie Anderson, Ian Christeson, Logan Hanson, Drew Kirkpatrick, Alijah Becker, Jackson Pringle, Owen Sondag and Dahlia Atanasova. There were about 270 total participants In the Large School competition. Owen Sondag placed 4th in the individual event, making into the top ten recognized. Awesome job Mathcounts Wildcats!

Attention 7th and 8th grade boys golfers interested in playing this spring: There will be a mandatory player & parent informational meeting on Tuesday, March 19th at 6:00 PM in room 102 at Fargo North High School. If you are interested in playing, please sign up in the office. Contact Coach Dobberstein with any questions.

Attention 7th/8th grade boys and girls: Track is starting on Monday, March 18th, the day we get back from spring break. Physicals need to be turned in before the first practice and the HIPAA, concussion and co-curricular video need to be signed off on Powerschool. There is also a \$30 activity fee that needs to be paid before the first meet. Practices will be Monday-Fridays from 3:45-5:15pm. Stop in the main office to sign up!

Attention all students: Have you reserved your 2018-19 yearbook? The cost is \$15. You may purchase online or in the office any time before April 30. The books will be distributed on the last day of school.

Have you ever had a difficult time going to sleep at night because you did something that you knew was wrong? The Japanese have a wonderful proverb: Let a man so act by day that he may lie happily on his mat by night. This proverb says it another way: A good conscience makes a soft pillow.* Is your conscience bothering you? Do you need a good night's sleep? If so, talk with someone you trust __ a parent, teacher, counselor, or perhaps a faith leader. Tell the person what you did, and let him or her help you decide how you can best mend the situation. Then, do your very best to learn from your mistake, forgive yourself, and move on. With something to think about, this is name of narrator . Make it a great day . . . or not. The choice is yours.