

the Bulldog Newsletter

September 2016



3RD GRADE STUDENTS ARE LEARNING THE SCIENTIFIC METHOD STEPS IN SCIENCE




They enjoyed being a scientist and completing their first 3rd grade science experiment. Students tested two oranges in a glass pitcher full of water. One orange had the peel, one did not. Students tested to see what would happen when the oranges were put into the pitcher full of water. The orange WITH the peel floated, the orange without the PEEL sank! The peel holds air which makes the orange buoyant to float. They completed all of the scientific method steps with this experiment!

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September 2015



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				VB @ Freeman Inv. TBD SB @ Ashland-Greenwood 6:00 School Pictures	FB - BYE	VB @ Freeman Inv. 10:00 SB @ Fairbury Invite 9:30
	No School  Labor Day	No School Teacher Inservice JH VB vs Diller-Odell 3:00 JH FB vs Diller-Odell 4:00 VB vs Lawrence-Nelson 6/7 JV FB @ Nebraska Lutheran 6:00 SB vs. Southern 6:00 Softball Parent Night	FCA Lunch Meeting Mr. Hitchcock's room	SB vs Polk County 6:00 VB vs Cross County 5:30/6:30 Volleyball Parent Night	FB @ Sterling 7:00pm	VB Friend Invite 9 am
	JVFB vs Diller Odell 6:00 FCCLA - Kearney BOE Meeting 7:30	JHVB @ Freeman 5:00 JHFB @ East Butler 4:30 SB @ Grand Island Central Catholic 4:00		SB @ Wilber-Clatonia 4:00 VB vs Dorchester 6/7pm	FB vs. Lawrence-Nelson 7:00pm FCA 5th Quarter	Marching Band to Apple Jack Festival in Nebraska City
	JH VB vs Sterling 4:00 JH FB @ McCool Junction 4:30	VB @ Exeter-Milligan (Varsity only) 6:30	Literacy Quiz Bowl- Seward FCA Lunch Meeting Mr. Hitchcock's room	JH VB @ Dorchester 2:00 SB @ Fillmore Central 6:00 Autumn Begins 	FB vs. Exeter-Milligan 7:00pm HOMECOMING Booster Club Tailgate	SB @ Cental City Inv. 9:00 JH VB - Friend Inv. 9:00
	JH FB @ Meridian VB @ Tri-County 6/7	SB @ Blue Hill 6:00 VB vs. Osceola 6/7	Sophomores & Exchange students to Homestead - Beatrice	JH VB @ Exeter-Milligan 3:00 VB @ East Butler 6/7	FB @ Mead 7:00pm	
						

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT MR. KRAUS

One of the strengths I continue to see at Friend Public School is the parent and community support of our students and programs. This has become evident once again as Friend Public School now has a FFA Alumni Booster organization. This group has been meeting over the past few months and has officially been established. They already have plans for membership opportunities as well as a kick off fundraiser at the first home football game. If you are interested in an annual membership, please contact the school and we can get you information. We would appreciate your membership and support.

Another exciting program Friend Public School has started is the Purple Ribbon Beef Program. The program involves using local beef and pork producers to provide healthy, nutritious and flavorful meat to the students of Friend. The program has already has committed stakeholders donating livestock, but will need additional support in the future. The program involves a partnership between the Exeter-Milligan community and Friend which has been a very positive experience. If you would like to be involved or our interested in donating, please contact the school.

During the Friend vs. Exeter-Milligan home football game, we will be raffling off a quarter of beef during each quarter of the game. Tickets will be \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20. You will have four chances during the game to win a quarter beef plus the processing is also included. More information will be coming out, but be sure to get in for your chance to win as well as support the Purple Ribbon Meat Program.

David Kraus
Superintendent

Our goal is to provide

**HEALTHY,
NUTRITIOUS
& FLAVORFUL**

**BEEF &
PORK**

*to the students of Friend
and Exeter-Milligan
Schools*

*and educate them on
the benefits of*

**HEALTHY EATING,
RAISING ANIMALS &
CROP PRODUCTION.**

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Purple Ribbon Meat Program



Brought to you by

**Friend and Exeter-
Milligan Patrons**

In conjunction with the
Friend FFA Boosters

*Promoting healthy protein
options for our schools.*



Our Mission

"Companies, businesses, and patrons together have made a commitment to bring healthy, nutritious, flavorful beef and pork to the students of Friend and Exeter-Milligan schools. This program will provide educational components to help students understand the nutritional value of beef and pork, crop production and the feed raised for livestock, as well as an understanding of farm to fork."

Get Involved!

Donations can be made to the Purple Ribbon Meat Program c/o the Friend FFA Boosters.

Donors will be invited to an annual kickoff hamburger feed at the first football game of the school year.

Donors will also be recognized in the school newsletter and website, and have their name(s) listed on a program banner in both schools.

All donations are tax deductible.

GRAND CHAMPION	\$2,000 and up
RESERVE CHAMPION	\$1,000—\$1,999
DIVISION WINNER	\$500—\$999
PURPLE RIBBON	\$50—\$499

Student Benefits

High-quality, good tasting, Nebraska-raised beef and pork will be served to Friend and Exeter-Milligan students for lunch.

Students will establish a connection with where their protein comes from and learn more about nutrition and lifelong healthy eating habits.

The program will provide students an opportunity to see firsthand the impact of the livestock and crop industry in Nebraska and gain an understanding of how each of those industries play an important role in our communities.

Students will gain understanding of the importance of animal and crop production in Nebraska and throughout the globe.

School Benefits

The school will be serving Nebraska-grown beef and pork at least two times per week.

Schools will use the funds saved to purchase additional freezer space to store the meat necessary for the school.

Additional money saved by the school by implementing this program will be used to enhance other food options such as fruits and vegetables. The school can also use the savings to invest in updated kitchenware, which will improve meal quality.



Exchange Students 2016-17



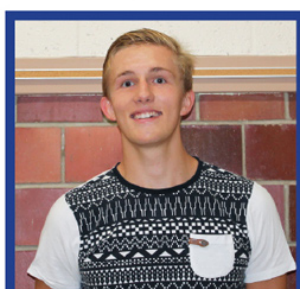
Laura Mailund - Denmark
Host family - Andrew & Kim Derr



Alice Wirsén - Sweden
Host Family - Ed & Kim Menke



Julian Thomas - Germany
Host Family - Bill & Tressa Beckler



Rasmus Linnestad - Norway
Host Family - Bill & Tressa Beckler

Hot Lunch Information

Lunch prices for the 2016-17 school year are:

Grades K-6 lunches \$2.55

Grades 7-12 lunches \$2.80

Milk (extra or snack time) \$.35

Extra entrée at lunch \$1.00

Breakfast \$1.65

Adult Lunches \$3.40

According to the policy of the Board of Education of the Friend Public School, all meals must be purchased in advance.

A student will be notified in writing if and when his/her account has a negative balance.



from Mrs. Dickinson Elementary Principal/Guidance Counselor

To The Parents of Friend Elementary Students,
What a wonderful beginning to our school year. On August 15th approximately 200 families entered Friend Elementary to see their new teacher and classroom. The students were greeted to our theme for the year "Superheroes" The entire elementary décor reflects this theme. Everyone enjoyed an evening of good conversation, reacquainting themselves with friends and anticipating the first day of school on August 17th. It truly is a time to celebrate when school and learning begins again!!
The first week of school went extremely well. On August 17th the elementary students attended a Pep Rally officially kicking off our "Superhero" theme. They students learned the traits of a Superhero and what it means to be a HERO (Helping Everyone Respect Others). The students also learned about our new elementary discipline plan. A visit from Darth Vader concluded the assembly. Please look for pictures/story in the upcoming issue of the Sentinel.
A new reading series "Wonders" is being implemented this year. Students and staff are off and running in reading, math, language and science. I thoroughly enjoy visiting each classroom on a daily basis watching students actively engaged in the learning process.
Please remember that on August 30th (parents only) from 6:30-8:00 will be our Elementary Literacy Night. I hope everyone can join us to learn more about our new reading program.

Some valuable information will be shared.
What a good group of young people we have attending Friend Elementary School. I had an opportunity to have a Principal's Lunch Bunch with our new students. It gave both of us an opportunity to get to know one another.
Starting Thursday August 25th and every Thursday Principal's Lunch Bunch will be held for students whose "Superhero" ticket is drawn from the classroom basket. Every student within the elementary has an opportunity to earn "Superhero" tickets for academic and behavioral success. Each week a ticket is drawn from the classroom basket and that student earns a certificate, treat and treasure from the "Superhero" treasure chest. GOODLUCK TO ALL!!!
I welcome all our new staff, students and families to our wonderful school and community. We are so happy to have you as member of our team. We welcome you as new BULLDOGS!! I cordially invite all new and former parents to stop into their child's classroom and visit during the day. Please come and see all the wonderful happenings within our building. I am so proud to be a part of such a progressive and exciting group of staff members educating our children. Please remember the school begins at 8:10 and dismisses at 3:36. Students are to arrive between 7:50-8:05. Students should not arrive or stay after that designated time frame. Safety is our number one concern and we do not have proper supervision before 7:50 and after 3:45.
I appreciate everyone helping us out with this rule.

At Bulldog Football Games---
A friendly reminder that elementary students need to be sitting with parents during the games and not running around. Please do not run across the bleachers in front of spectators wanting to watch the game.

Some important dates to remember:

August 30th
Literacy Night
6:30-8:00

(parents only)

Please report to new gym at 6:30 before going to classrooms.

September 1st-
School Pictures

September 5th
Labor Day
No School

SEPTEMBER 6TH
TEACHER IN-SERVICE DAY
NO SCHOOL
Sept. 8th
DIEBELS TESTING

September 12th-23rd
MAP TESTING

September 19th-23rd
Homecoming Week

Meet the new faces at Friend Public School

Photos & articles courtesy of Lori Sizer, Reporter - Friend Sentinel



Deborah Sizer

Deborah Sizer is the new Transitional Kindergarten teacher at Friend Public. Transitional Kindergarten is for students who have finished both the three-year-old and four-year-old preschool classes but are not ready to have a full day of kindergarten. Deborah is also the sponsor of the Black Lightning drill team.

She student taught at Centennial Public School at Utica and graduated from the University of Nebraska-Kearney with a degree in Elementary Education and Early Childhood Development Unified. Her first teaching experience was in Holdrege as a kindergarten teacher. She then went to India where she worked with educational development in a school for underprivileged children for four years. She substituted at Friend Public for the 2015-2016 year. She was born in South Carolina but grew up in Kearney.

Deborah's hobbies include playing the piano and the guitar as well as traveling. She also enjoys working with the children's ministry at her

church. She said, "I am looking forward to working with this group of people. I feel like this school is an excellent school and I am looking forward to the things I am going to learn from being with these people." The best advice about teaching that she has received is "To be confident, learn from others and to be flexible," she said.



Clayton Moore

Clayton Moore is Friend's new Special Education teacher for grades K – 12. He will also be the assistant football coach, the co-head for wrestling and the assistant track coach. He student taught at Irving Middle and Arnold Elementary Schools in Lincoln and graduated from Doane College with a degree in Special Education K-12. This is his first teaching position. His hobbies include outdoor activities and sports.

Originally from Friend, he said, "I've always been proud of the way we do things in our community and I am proud to continue that." The best advice he has received about teaching is to be open to suggestions and to learn from the other teachers. He said, "I want to build strong relationships with my fellow teachers here."



Eric Hauge

Eric Hauge is Friend Public's new Biology Sciences and Agriculture teacher for grades 7 – 12. He has a degree in Life Science Education & Biology from Minnesota State University – Morehead. He will also be the new FFA advisor.

Eric student taught at St. Croix Middle School in Hammond, Wisconsin and has past experience in both substitute teaching and paraprofessional work. He is originally from Fargo, ND. He and his wife, Katie, live in Lincoln. Katie is the Assistant Director in Career Services for UNL. They have a daughter, Josie, who is just three weeks old. They hope to relocate to a central location that will be within better driving distance for both jobs.

Eric's hobbies include visiting dog parks with his dog and camping and fishing. He is looking forward to staying in Nebraska and to getting to know the community.

The best advice that he has received about teaching is "To keep it fun. If students are enjoying themselves, they will retain what they are learning. It makes it more meaningful for them."

September Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			Scrambled Eggs Chicken Fajita Toppings Santa Fe Koos Koos <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i>	Biscuits & Gravy Stuffed Crust Cheese Pizza <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i>
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NO SCHOOL  5	NO SCHOOL Teacher In-service 6	Breakfast Bites Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes/Gravy <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 2:30 dismissal 7	Sausage, Egg & Cheese Sliders Pizza Burger/Bun Potato Smiles <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 8	Strawberry Cream Cheese Strudel Meat Lovers Stromboli Marinara Sauce Frosted Cake <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 9
Donuts Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes/Gravy <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 12	Breakfast Pizza Spaghetti Shredded Cheddar Cheese Garlic Bread <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 13	Cinnamon Rolls Hot Dog/Bun Chili Shredded Cheese <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 2:30 dismissal 14	Scrambled Eggs Rock & Roll Beef Wrap French Fries Brownies <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 15	Biscuits & Gravy Sweet & Sour Chicken Rice <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 16
Breakfast Bites Mini Corn Dogs Macaroni & Cheese <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 19	Pancakes Soft Shelled Tacos Toppings Bread/Butter <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 20	Breakfast Burrito Sub Sandwich Chips Cookie <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 2:30 dismissal 21	Egg Taco Hamburger/Bun Seasoned French Fries <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 22	Blueberry Muffins Fiestada Mexican Rice Frosted Cake <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 23
Donuts Chicken Quesadilla Chicken & Herb Koos Koos <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 26	French Toast Sausage Gravy Biscuits Oatmeal Coffee Cake Orange Juice <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 27	Cinnamon Rolls Cheese Stuffed Shells Breadsticks <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 2:30 dismissal 28	Egg Patty Meaty Nachos Toppings Bavarian Cream <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 29	Strawberry Cream Cheese Strudel Breaded Chicken Patty/ Bun Tator Tots Jello <i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i> 30

Labels, Labels and more Labels

- The Friend FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) Chapter would like to thank parents and community members for saving labels this past year. Last year the chapter was able to redeem over \$400 worth of Box Tops for Education. The money will be used to help in registration fees for FCCLA District and State Conferences. In addition, part of the money will be donated to various service projects. Last year items were purchased by the FCCLA Chapter to up in personal care kits for the homeless. For the project, over 40 kits were donated to the Matt Talbot Outreach in Lincoln.
- A second label collection project, Labels for Education, allows the FCCLA Chapter to earn points for a variety of education items. The chapter has earned over 20,000 points for future redemption. Any labels can be dropped off at school or given to Margo Houlden, FCCLA Advisor. Collection cans are also available at Johnson's Pharmacy and Orv's Grocery.
- Thank You for help in supporting our school and community!

Margo Houlden, FCCLA Sponsor



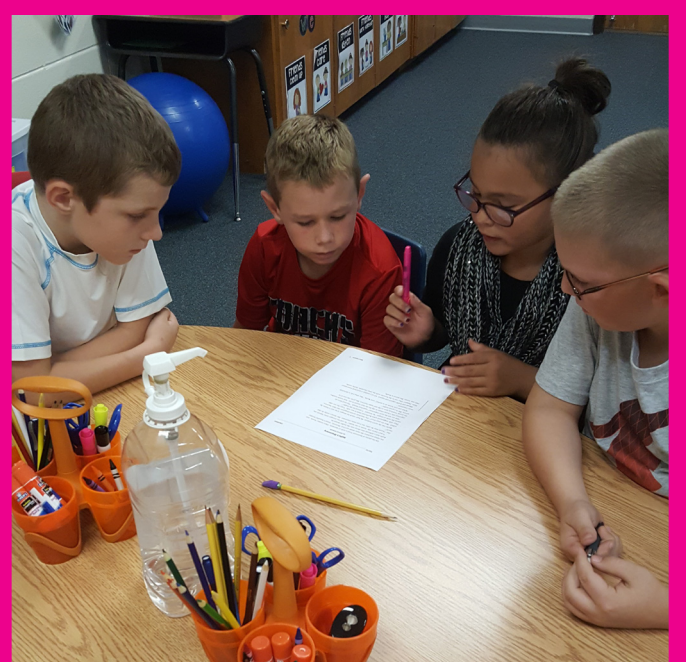
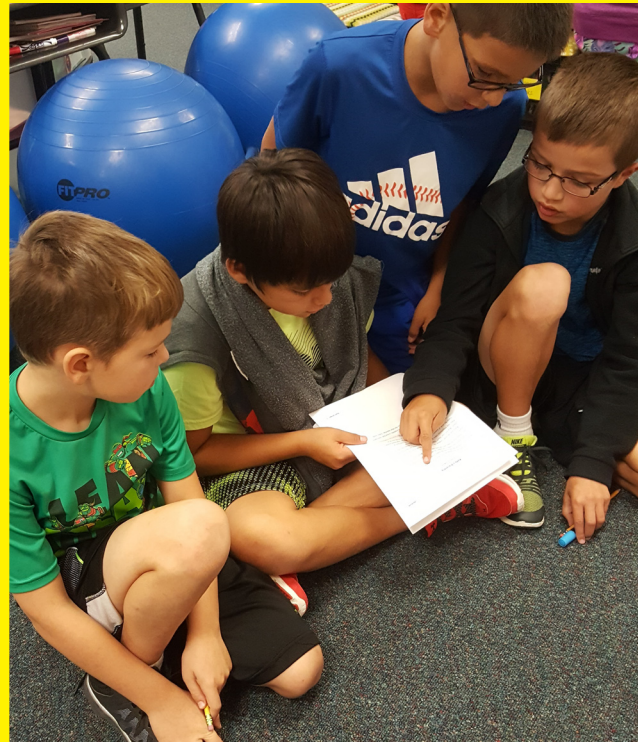
BULLDOGS OF THE MONTH

September 2016

Faculty - Mr. Beckler & Mrs. Ricenbaw



3rd grade students are enjoying the new reading program, Wonders. They are learning to make inferences by finding text evidence while reading. Students were broken up into small groups to re-read, "Kaffa's Discovery." As a group, students had to find text evidence that proved how the story was a Folktale.





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