

Dolores Elementary School Newsletter-"The Galloping Goose"

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Dear Dolores Families,

At Dolores Elementary we strongly believe in developing the whole child and providing a well-rounded education for our students. This is done through effective standards based academic instruction, application of skills through engaging project based learning, providing high-quality specials that give students experience with fine arts, technology, and physical education. Another piece that we feel is crucial in developing the whole child is instruction in Social-Emotional Learning (SEL). Some of you may wonder, "What is Social-Emotional Learning?" SEL, is the process of developing the self-awareness, self-control, and communication skills that are vital for school, work, and life success.

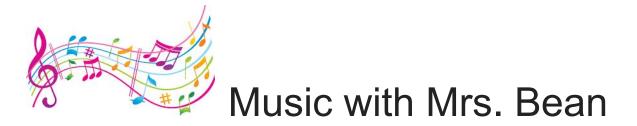
We use the 7 Mindsets Social-Emotional Learning Curriculum in our district. Each month we focus on one of the 7 Mindsets and every week students have a Mindset lesson that they do with their classroom teacher. We feel that it is important that parents/guardians know what these lessons are so that they can discuss them as a family and reinforce the skills that students are learning. Each week in our school newsletter, I will provide a description of the lesson that students will be covering. Last week we started with our first mindset- 100% Accountable, and the lesson was "Own Your Life". This week our lesson was "Overcoming Limiting Beliefs". I am sending out an email with an attachment that gives a more detailed explanation of the 7 Mindsets Program and you can also check out their website at <u>www.7Mindsets.com</u>.

Thank you for sharing your children with us and we look forward to partnering with you to provide the best education possible for our students!

Have a safe and wonderful Labor Day weekend, Mrs. Howerton



Aug.27-Sept. 10th- NWEA Reading/ Math Assessment Window Aug. 29th- Summer Reading Celebration in Lil' Bear Gym @ 2:45 Aug. 30th- No School- Professional Development Sept. 2nd- No School- Labor Day Sept. 6th- Pickles and Popcorn



If you are in fourth grade, this is the last week to turn in an order form for a recorder for your personal use. Please turn it in by Thursday August 29th. The fourth graders are off to a great start on their recorders. The fifth graders are also doing very well playing theirs after having the summer off!



PTA meeting Next Thursday, September 5th, 2:35PM in the teacher's lounge. All are welcome, hope to see you there!

We would love to have you as a member. Please check with your student for a membership form that came home yesterday!

Every last school day of the week is SPIRIT DAY! Show your school pride by wearing a Dolores Bears shirt. The 2019-2020 Bear Wear Order is officially here. Please look for the order form that came home yesterday. Due September 9th. Great for all Dolores Activities!!!!



## From the Artists' Palette -

## Aug 19

What a wonderful first week! I had the opportunity to see all of the classes and introduce them to our first artist of study. I'm looking forward to seeing the great work our students will be producing this year. Look for some new, exciting art work in the gallery these coming weeks! Beneath you'll find who and what we'll be studying as we begin the year...

	K	– Wassily Kandinsky - Lines, Shapes and Patterns & Color – Abstract
	1 <sup>st</sup>	- Piet Mondrian – Lines & Primary Colors – Abstract
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	- Marie Gignoux – Landscape - Realism
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	4 <sup>th</sup>	- Georgia O'Keefe – Shallow Space vs. Deep Space – Abstract Expressionism
	5 <sup>th</sup>	- Andy Warhol – Art and Culture – Pop Art
	6 <sup>th</sup>	- Such, Cause, Amed – Modern Calligraphy – Graffiti

We're looking for various supplies you might be able to help us with. Please, if you have any of these items, we sure could use them. Our needs:

Dads old shirts - size (M) or (S) only please

Brown paper bags – any size

Large old, gaudy picture frames -20" x 30" or so



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