



Dolores Elementary School Newsletter- "The Galloping Goose"

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Dear Dolores Families,

Our 3rd grade students had their restaurant project this week and they were a great success. This project is a huge undertaking and our students work so hard and learn so much from the experience. I am so proud of them and I would like to thank all of the parents and community members that came out to show their support. None of this would be possible without those amazing 3rd grade teachers, Mrs. Lowe and Mrs. Russell. Thank you ladies for creating a learning experience that will not be forgotten!! Our 1st graders are also embarking on a wonderful learning experience as well, visiting some of the local businesses that are important to our community. I am so excited to see the high-levels of learning that are taking place in our school.

You should all be receiving notices soon about scheduling a parent-teacher conference. If you don't see something soon please contact your child's teacher to let them know a day and time that might work for you. We look forward to sharing with you how things are going for your kiddos and to talk about ways that we can work together to help them grow and learn.

Next week is our Character Day celebration for "We are Connected" and we hope that if you are available that you will join us Thursday @ 1:00. The Kinders will be performing and that is always a treat!!

Have a fabulous weekend everyone,
Mrs. Howerton

Ps-Check out the new district website <https://doloresschools.org/> and download our new school app.

Upcoming EVENTS

Oct. 18th- Spirit Sticks

Oct. 24th- Character Day Assembly **at 1:00**

Oct. 25th- No school-professional development

Oct. 28th-31st- Parent-Teacher Conferences 3:45-5:45

Oct. 30th- Mr. Vega's Pumpkin Drop Challenge

Oct. 31st- Halloween Parties



Technology with Mr. Vega

Our students are working so hard in Technology! Keyboarding has been our focus, and students are improving in overall technique and also in their keyboarding test scores. With the exception of Kindergarten, all grade levels are working hard at learning the keyboard. Older grades (4-6) are formally learning all of the control keys, function keys, and typing keys on a Windows keyboard. Younger students (grades 1-3) are getting familiar with the keyboard by playing keyboarding games and using online keyboarding tools.

If your child is in 4th, 5th or 6th grade, ask to see their classroom blog. We have been doing some great writing while learning about blogging in a controlled environment.

Kindergarten students have been working on mouse skills and have just recently started using our Waterford program. Waterford is a computer-based program that helps build both reading and math skills.

6th-grade students have just been assigned the pumpkin drop project. The 6th-Grade Pumpkin Drop is a design project where students design an apparatus to protect a pumpkin from a fall of 35 - 45 ft. We have once again partnered with Empire Electric Association who generously provides our school with a crew and a bucket truck. Walmart is also our partner this year and generously donated all of the pumpkins for this project. All of the rules and guidelines, due dates, and group lists for the pumpkin drop are available in Google Classroom. Updates will also be found in Google Classroom. The official drop day is on Wednesday, October 30th at 9:20 a.m.

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P.E. with Mrs. Elder

I just want to give a heads up to kindergarten parents and caregivers. October 24th at **1:00**, all three kindergarten classes will be performing a dance all together in front of the crowd at our monthly character assembly. Please come watch! Send your kindergartener to school that day wearing black and white clothing please.



Music with Mrs. Bean

Mark your calendars! Our Elementary Christmas Program will be Thursday, December 19th, starting at 7:00 pm. It will be located in the auxiliary gym, where it has been for the past several years. We are now underway, preparing for our performance! I look forward to this event every year. I hope to see you there!



Spirit Sticks are TOMORROW! Halloween sticks for sale! \$1 each, limit 3 per student.

Book Fair and Teacher Lunch at the end of the month. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. Please be looking for an email to see how YOU can help.

Box Top drive is underway. Please send all non expired box tops to the school by October 20th. Prizes will be given to the class with the most valid box tops K-2nd and 3rd-6th. EVERY CLIP COUNTS.

Pickles & Popcorn will be next Thursday, October 24th.



Gifted and Talented

Click to access link

BOX TOP DRIVE

Don't "leaf" a Box Top behind!



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BRING YOUR
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OCTOBER
20TH

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