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PRINCIPAL WALKER

Greetings parents. We had a great turnout at Parent Teacher Conferences last week. Thank you to all of the parents that showed up on Thursday to celebrate our students at our Character Assembly. The end of October has many opportunities for our students and families to be involved; keep an eye out in this issue. Go Bears!

LEVEL UP

KINDERGARTEN: MRS. LINDSAY MRS. JABURG MS. PEJSA

Kindergarten is starting a new math unit on 2 dimensional shapes.

Students are beginning to read and discuss classic stories.

Mrs. Jaburg's Class just finished up with their 5 senses exploration. They used pumpkins and were able to feel the outside and inside. They were able to taste pumpkin pie in a cup and a parent brought in pumpkin muffins to try!

Mrs. Lindsay's class finished their 5 senses exploration as well. They did this with applesauce. The students had a great time on their fall walk. They are also blending sounds into words and recognizing whole words.

FIRST GRADE: MRS. CHRISTENSON MRS. TOURJEE



First grade has wrapped up the first quarter with lots of learning under our belts. So much to explore and learn! We have been reading stories in a chapter book called Snap Shots, as well as working on reading and spelling short vowel word patterns and tricky spelling words. COPS helps us check our writing for Capitalization of Names, the word I, and beginnings of sentences; Organization of making sense as we write; Punctuation using periods, exclamation marks, and question marks; and checking our Spaces between words and Spelling all the sounds of our words. We have been writing short personal narratives in our journals. While practicing all things counting to 100+ in math, we have also built strategies in problem solving with addition to the sums of 10. Recognizing quantities and patterns of quantities, using tools like many tools, has built our understanding of numbers and their relationships. We love learning about science! First, it was Astronomy and the study of space, our solar system, and astronauts. Then, it was an exploration and study of Geology about our earth's land and water, volcanoes, rocks and minerals, and finally dinosaurs with fun activities of making geodes, excavating dinosaur bones, and a field trip to the river! Now, we will begin an in-depth study of Biology and the human body systems, nutrition, and healthy activities. We are learners to our core!



SECOND GRADE: MRS. LEIN MRS. WADE

Second graders were introduced to their Goal and Growth binders.



FREE FUN FRIDAY UPDATE

FRIDAY FUNDAYS HAVE CONTINUED TO BE A SUCCESS. WE HAVE CREATED HALLOWEEN PAINTINGS AND HAD TIME TO RUN AROUND AND PLAY. ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20TH WE WENT TO BOGGY DRAW TO CHEER ON OUR CROSS COUNTRY RUNNERS AT REGIONALS. FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27TH WE ARE GOING SWIMMING AT THE CORTEZ REC CENTER IN THE AFTERNOON FROM 12-4. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SIGNING UP PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FRIDAY FUNDAY PAGE:
[HTTPS://DOLORESSCHOOLS.ORG/FREE-FRIDAY-FUNDAYS/](https://doloreschools.org/free-friday-fundays/)



THIRD GRADE: MRS. FURSE MRS. LOWE MRS. WERNER

3rd grade has been learning how to tell time and calculate elapsed time. Our students are also reading informational texts about animals and learning how to determine the main idea and details. In science, we are studying endangered animals and writing articles about them. We are also creating our own species that have adapted to their specific environments. So much fun learning is happening!



FOURTH GRADE: MRS. SCHRAGE MRS. KNIGHT



The fourth grade had two awesome field trips to learn about the Ancestral Puebloans of our area! We are grateful for the experiences and the wonderful chaperones who came. Thank you so much for all of your support with your student's spelling words and studying. This month, we will start the second part of our unit in language arts, Empires of the Middle Ages. In math, we will be diving into multiplication and using multiplication to solve word problems. We are learning all about COLORADO and the people of Colorado. In Science we are investigating waves and will move on to structures of living things.

FIFTH GRADE: MRS. THORNBRUGH MR. KRUNWIEDE MR. WERNER

It has been a super eventful first quarter in 5th grade! As conference week is upon us, we have been hard at work in each of our 4 regular class subjects.

In Literacy, we have been studying personal narratives, informational writing, poetry, parts of speech, and writing conventions. In Math, we have been looking at multiplication, division, place value, decimals, measurement conversion, and number forms. In Science, we have worked on matter and its properties, physical and chemical changes, and ecosystems. Finally, in Social Studies, we have been studying regions of the United States, states and capitals, mapping skills, and the Maya, Inca, and Aztec civilizations. We are excited to continue our hard work and learning as we move into Quarter 2!

STUDENT COUNCIL: MRS. MILLER MS. LOUVRAY

OUR STUDENT COUNCIL MADE A VIDEO ABOUT HOW TO RESPOND TO PEER PRESSURE FOR RED RIBBON WEEK. IT IS SIMILAR TO RESPONDING SOFTLY BUT THE FOCUS IS ON SUGGESTING SOMETHING ELSE TO DO THAT IS BEST. #1. NAME THE WRONG ("WELL, THAT'S VAPING."). #2. NAME THE CONSEQUENCE ("WE CAN GET ADDICTED AFTER EVEN DOING IT ONCE.") #3. SUGGEST SOMETHING ELSE TO DO THAT'S BEST. ("I WAS HOPING WE COULD WORK ON DEVELOPING OUR OWN VIDEO GAME"). #4. SAY NO. REPORT. ("IT'S OKAY. I'M NOT GOING TO DO THAT. I HOPE YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND AND COME OVER."). IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THEY REPORT IN PRIVATE AND DON'T ANNOUNCE THEIR PLAN. THIS KEEPS THEM SAFE AND ISN'T AS SCARY AS SIMPLY SAYING NO.

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE RED RIBBON FLYER -

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USP=SHARE LINK](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1UG5JEB3FEC6VFKPWTJR5XVZ5XEXL5MZT/view?usp=share_link)

THEY PICKED THE DAILY THEMES AND TO HELP YOUR STUDENTS ENTER THE "HOW TO" CONTEST . . . WHICH IS ALSO SOMETHING ELSE THEY CAN SUGGEST TO DO THAT'S BEST!

COUNSELOR'S CORNER: MRS. MILLER

WE HAVE BEEN PRACTICING HOW TO RESPOND "SOFTLY" TO AGGRESSION, WHETHER IT IS MEAN WORDS OR ACTIONS (NOT PHYSICAL AGGRESSION THAT CAUSES PAIN, WHICH IS A SAFE SCHOOL VIOLATION AND NEEDS TO OF COURSE BE REPORTED IMMEDIATELY). BY SOFT I DO NOT MEAN QUIET OR WEAK. BUT TO RESPOND IN SUCH A WAY THAT MANAGES THE AGGRESSIVE PERSON AND KEEPS THEM FROM ESCALATING FURTHER. BEGINNING WITH "IT'S OKAY" OR "I'M SORRY" IS NOT ADMITTING FAULT, BUT INSTEAD SIGNALS TO THE AGGRESSOR THAT THIS IS NOT A BULLY-BACK, OR RETALIATION. THE KIDS HAVE EVERY RIGHT TO ASK THEM TO PLEASE STOP OR TO TELL THEM WHAT THEY ARE DOING WRONG, BUT WE HAD THEM RATE THOSE TYPE OF RESPONSES: DID THEY FEEL IT WOULD GET BETTER OR WORSE AND INVARIABLY, THEY INSTINCTIVELY KNOW IT WILL MOST LIKELY GET WORSE. CHECK OUT MY HANDOUT ON HOW TO HANDLE BULLYING. ON THE BACK SIDE ARE LOTS OF IDEAS OF HOW TO RESPOND TO PUT DOWNS IN A SOFTER, MORE PRODUCTIVE WAY. THE KIDS NEED HELP PRACTICING AND IT HELPS THEM FEEL EMPOWERED.

[HTTPS://DRIVE.GOOGLE.COM/FILE/D/1 STE0-4SJFGNZOUIYDP1IH4C4SCJ8NQ3/VIEW](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1STE0-4SJFGNZOUIYDP1IH4C4SCJ8NQ3/view)

SPECIALS: MS. DRAPER MRS. ELDER MS. SPENCER MR. VAUGHN

Mrs. Elder PE:

Ms. Draper Music: Dolores Bears Got Talent- January Class Performances. Please help your child practice at home!

Ms. Spencer Technology: Students in technology are adventuring in google docs, all about email, and continuing our pursuit to become a great Digital Citizen.

Mr. Vaughn Art: [Artist Pallet Link](#)

NURSE'S NOTES: NURSE GADDIS

As school begins this year, I would like to share the "[How Sick is too Sick](#)" to come to school from the CDE. The CDE has specific guidelines requiring children to stay home with certain illness and symptoms. Although, mild cough and cold symptoms do occur and if your child can maintain hygiene at school while covering coughs and sneezes, they are welcome to attend.

EXTRA NEWS

Online Absence Form You can fill out this form online for when our child will be absent.

<https://doloresschools.org/absence-form-elementary/>

Super readers level up! This is the link to Accelerated Reader, a site where your student can take tests on books that they have read, earn points and earn a spot on our AR Wall!

<https://global-zone51.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal/248287>

Dolores Family Project If you are needing some extra food for the weekend Dolores Family Project can help.

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hci-7DqzqNa5cmb3fViKlePnQPwOuKxc/view?usp=drive link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hci-7DqzqNa5cmb3fViKlePnQPwOuKxc/view?usp=drive_link)

Free Friday Fundays Find more information about the Free Friday Fundays for everyone K-12!

<https://doloresschools.org/free-friday-fundays/>

Board and Card Game Club Join your friends for board/card games or bring sport/collectable cards to trade! For more information click the link.

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1t7nmkdsWgZ_Whq-Q24Gf_y6lZyA_L2pq/view?usp=drive link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1t7nmkdsWgZ_Whq-Q24Gf_y6lZyA_L2pq/view?usp=drive_link)

Destination Imagination Grades 3-5 How to start up a Destination Team! An info. night for team managers in our region is scheduled for October 24th at 7:00pm (Zoom link and invite coming soon)

If you are interested in building a team or being a possible team manager, please contact Sarah Rogers - sarah@powsci.org

<https://www.destinationimagination.org/challenge-experience/>

PBIS: The PBIS team and all our teachers, staff and students would like to thank all parents, their friends and families and our community members for their incredible support with our School Store Fundraiser. While the initial start up is dying down (there is no deadline however and we still have start up packets if anyone would still like one--just ask the office or your child's teacher), we would still like to encourage everyone to continue with the passive income phase of the fundraiser. www.schoolstore.com

PTA NEWS

September Minutes

Pickles and Popcorn- 10/26

Fall Family Festival 10/27

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1--BNZZMtGSdXmsy_OQ-YuEmSG9xC9RFt/view?usp=sharing

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