The Cougar Chronicle

Wednesday, February 28, 2018

Readathon News!

We have raised almost \$7000 toward our goal of \$10K. Please share your student's personalized fundraising URL via text, email or social media. Our students really want that week of No Homework so please help them get it. We will keep the online fundraising platform open throughout the weekend for last minute donations. If you have been collecting cash or checks, please bring them to the office in an envelope marked with your student's name and teacher. On Monday, March 5, we will announce the winner of the new bike, courtesy of East Sac Bike Shop, to the student who raised the most money.

Friday Fun: Friday, March 2

Lots going on this Friday! First, it's a Caleb spirit day so be sure to wear your Cougar Spiritwear. Cougars on the Run is at 7:45am. Friday Sing and Student Recognition for primary (K-3) is at 8:15 and intermediate (4-6) Student Recognition with Minute to Win It games is at 9:15.

We will also celebrate Read Across America Day and the culmination of our Readathon at lunches with DJ Char, a photo booth, reading crafts and a free library. If you have books at home that your child(ren) are finished reading, please consider donating them for the event. A box has been set up in the office for donations. Sign up to help with the event on our SignUp page: http://signup.com/go/bgCGkYu

Garden Workday: Saturday, March 3, 9-11

Please join us for a garden workday this Saturday, 9am-11am at Caleb. We're preparing our grounds for spring and upcoming grade level garden days and need all the help we can get. Bring clippers and gloves and wear long pants, long sleeves and close-toed shoes please.

Winter Conferences & Shortened Days: March 16-23

Last week parent conference notifications for winter parent conferences were sent home in Wednesday Folders. If your child's teacher has requested one, please take a moment to sign up. Along with parent conferences, come shortened days. Please note that Friday, March 16 through Friday, March 23 will be shortened days for students in first through sixth grade. Primary will be dismissed at 12:10, intermediate at 12:19, and there is an optional lunch until 12:40.

Family Bingo Save the Date: Friday, March 16

Fun for the whole family!
Two sessions available: 4-5:30pm or 6:30-8pm
Tickets on sale March 2: \$6 per person

Campus Book Project

Talking Back to Facebook by James Steyer (the founder of Common Sense media) was chosen as Caleb's 2018 Campus Book. This book discusses how to help children develop a balanced approach to internet use and how to keep kids safe online. Parents, teachers, staff and students are invited to read and discuss the book with your peers and family, and to participate in an evening with a speaker to share ideas on this topic. Copies of the book are available to sign out on the front office table (under the windows looking out to the blacktop). The book is also available at Sacramento Public Library. Feel free to contact andreamummert@gmail.com with suggestions or questions.

Collection for Sutter Pediatrics

Girl Scout Brownie Troop #2398 is collecting items for pediatric patients at Sutter Hospital in Midtown. Donations can be dropped off in a collection box near the office Feb. 16th-March 2nd. The following items are especially popular with children at the hospital: toys, action figures, books, or DVD movies (up to PG-13) related to characters such as Paw Patrol, Mickey Mouse and other Disney characters, Minecraft, Transformers, and Superheroes. Play dough, small Lego sets, individual arts & crafts sets, Fisher Price doctor kits, Color Wonder sets, and washable window markers are also popular. The Child Life center has a prize box for patients and could use squishy balls, Hot Wheels, nail polish, and bubbles.

Arrivals, Tardies, Early Dismissals & Attendance

<u>Arrival</u>: The cafeteria is open at 7:30am for breakfast and the playground/blacktop is open at 7:45am for students to play. If your child arrives prior to 7:45, they must go to and remain in the cafeteria until 7:45 when adults are available to supervise the playground/blacktop. Students are not to arrive on campus prior to 7:30am unless they are going to 4thR.

<u>Tardies</u>: Our first bell rings at 7:58 indicating that students need to use the restroom, get a drink of water and line up. When the second bell rings at 8:00, students should be in line and ready for class. If your child arrives after 8:00, a tardy slip from the office is required for the student to enter class. If your child arrives after 8:30, you will need to accompany them to the office to get a tardy slip and sign them in for the day.

<u>Appointments</u>: Please make every effort to schedule appointments for your child outside the school day. If your child misses school for the day, or a portion of a day, due to an appointment, you will need to bring a note from the service provider to excuse the absence.

<u>Early Dismissals</u>: Early dismissals are allowed through the front office only and you must sign your child out when removing them from school prior to dismissal. However, please note that due to end of day procedures, all early dismissals must be complete by 2:00. Requests after 2:00 will have to wait until our 2:12 dismissal.

Attendance: In order for your child to gain the maximum benefit from their education, it is imperative that they attend school each and every day. Please only miss school for illnesses and family emergencies. Always call the front office or use our online tool http://calebgreenwood.scusd.edu/quick-link/report-absence to clear your child's absences.

Upcoming Dates

W 2/28: Ist (rms I &2) to Powerhouse Science 5th to SPLASH Vernal Pools Art 2nd & 5th

F 3/2: Friday Sing & Student Recognition Read Across America Day

M 3/5: 4th PYP Planning

T 3/6: 6th PYP Planning Music Ist & 4th

W 3/7: Ist (rm3) to Powerhouse Science 2nd Grade Garden Day PTSO Board Meeting 6-7:30

M 3/12: 2nd PYP Planning

T 3/13: Kinder (K & rm 4) to Safetyville Music 2nd & 5th

W 3/14: Art Kinder & 3rd

Th 3/15: Kinder (rm 9) to Safetyville

F 3/16: Shortened Day 1st Grade Garden Day Friday Sing Family Bingo

3/19-3/23: Shortened Days

T 3/20: Music $3^{rd} \& 6^{th}$

W 3/21: Art 1st & 4th

3/23: Wacky Sock Spirit Day

3/26/-3/30: Spring Break

M 4/2: 4th PYP Planning

T 4/3: 4th (rm 18) to Powerhouse Science

March Attribute COMMUNICATOR

Students who are COMMUNICATORS are able to think and communicate in more than one language. They can express their ideas by speaking, drawing and writing. They can also communicate using mathematical language and symbols.

How can parents help to develop students who are Communicators at home?

- Encourage your child to stay in touch with relatives and friends who live in other countries by writing letters, using the phone or sending email.
- When working on mathematics homework, encourage your child to explain his/her answer to you orally or by drawing a picture.
- Ask your child thought provoking questions and encourage them to discuss them with you. For example:
 - What would you do if you were scared of someone at school?
 - o Is there anything you cannot buy with money?
 - Should you get an allowance? Why or why not?

Work with your child to improve his/her listening skills. Being a good listener is an important part of communicating with others.

Want to know what's happening? Text Reminders!

Sign up for text reminders about events and happenings around campus by texting @calebg to 81010.