

# ***The Cougar Chronicle***

**Wednesday, February 14, 2018**

## **Readathon News!**

This Friday we will announce more Reading Bingo winners so keep turning in your Bingo Cards to the office. Students can play as many times as they want to earn a chance to win a \$20 Barnes and Noble gift card. If you haven't already, please share your student's personalized fundraising URL via email, text and social media. If we raise \$10K, the entire school will have a No Homework week in March. Also, be sure to keep track of the books your students are reading at home. If Cougars read 3000 books this month, there will be an extra surprise reward.

## **Open Enrollment: February 6-20**

Families residing outside our attendance area and seeking open enrollment for 2018-19 kindergarten must apply for Open Enrollment. Open Enrollment applications are submitted online, February 6-20, 2018 at <http://www.scusd.edu/open-enrollment-k-8>. Open Enrollment for siblings is not guaranteed, however siblings are given priority over other families applying for Open Enrollment.

## **Read Across America Day: Friday, March 2**

To celebrate the completion of our Read-A-Thon, Caleb students will be celebrating Read Across America Day on Friday, March 2nd. Students can take pictures with friends in the photo booth, make book marks and find a new favorite book in the free library. DJ Char will be there too! The celebration will take place during lunch recess for both primary and intermediate students. Kinder students are invited to celebrate after their dismissal, at 11:30am. We are in need of volunteers for the event as well as books for our 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>

## **Winter Conferences & Shortened Days: March 16-23**

Next week parent conference notifications for winter parent conferences will be sent home. 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.

## **Yearbooks**

Yearbooks are now \$35.00 for hard cover and \$25.00 for soft cover. Visit [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com) to order. Sixth grade ads are due THIS Friday, February 16. Email Gretchen White with any questions at [jonahpetersmom@yahoo.com](mailto:jonahpetersmom@yahoo.com).

## **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.

## **Alice in Wonderland, Jr.**

**Fri, Feb 23 @ 7:00pm & Sat, Feb 24 @10:00am, 12:30pm & 3:00pm**

Support our Caleb Greenwood casts in this year's Young Actors Stage performances. Purchase tickets at [www.youngactorsstage.com](http://www.youngactorsstage.com) and be sure to click the Caleb cast!

# Arrivals, Tardies, Early Dismissals & Attendance

**Arrival:** 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.

**Tardies:** 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.

**Appointments:** 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.

**Early Dismissals:** 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 2/14: Art Kinder & 3<sup>rd</sup>

F 2/16: Friday Sing

M 2/19: Holiday

T 2/20: Music 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>  
School Site Council 2:30-4

W 2/21: Art 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

F 2/23: Comfy Spirit Day  
1<sup>st</sup> PYP Planning  
Alice in Wonderland, Jr @ 7:00pm

S 2/24: Alice @ 10:00am, 12:30pm, 3:00pm

T 2/27: 3<sup>rd</sup> PYP Planning

W 2/28: 1<sup>st</sup> (rm 1 & 2) to Powerhouse Science  
5<sup>th</sup> to SPLASH Vernal Pools  
Art 2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>

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

M 3/5: 4<sup>th</sup> PYP Planning

T 3/6: 6<sup>th</sup> PYP Planning  
Music 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

W 3/7: 1<sup>st</sup> (rm3) to Powerhouse Science  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Garden Day  
PTSO Board Meeting 6-7:30

M 3/12: 2<sup>nd</sup> PYP Planning

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

W 3/14: Art Kinder & 3<sup>rd</sup>

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

F 3/16: Shortened Days Begin

## February Attribute **KNOWLEDGEABLE**

Students who are KNOWLEDGEABLE have explored relevant and significant concepts and can remember what they have learned. They can draw on this knowledge and apply it in new situations. *How can parents help to develop students who are Knowledgeable at home?*

- Encourage your child to read books at home that correspond with the concepts they are learning about in school. In particular, books in their mother tongue will help your child make more meaningful, lasting connections to what is being taught in their classroom in English.
- Ask your child about what they are learning in school and engage them in conversation about it. Some questions to ask are: What do you think is an important thing to know about? Can you think of anything that is happening in the world today that might be similar to that concept in history? You're learning about pulleys and gears at school? This reminds me of your simple machines unit in grade 2. Have you noticed any similarities? How is what you're learning different?
- Foster any area that your child expresses and interest in with books and activities, but also be sure to encourage them to explore other areas.
- Encourage your child to become familiar with current events and to read the newspaper and watch the news when appropriate. Make connections to the concepts they're learning about in school.

## Want to know what's happening? Text Reminders!

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