



# Explorer News

## Principal's Message - Mr. Jeremy Brunner

Has your child complained about being bullied? Bullying is something we take very seriously at Foothill Elementary. Although rare, sometimes it does happen. Stopping bullying requires parents, teachers, and administrators to all work together.

The first step to dealing with this problem is to define it in terms we all understand. We are defining bullying as: A pattern of repeated intentional behavior designed to make someone else feel powerless, scared or hurt. Sometimes a student gets hurt on the playground but the behavior that caused the injury was unintentional or isolated and so we wouldn't call that bullying. While we still deal with infractions of school rules that cause injury, by defining bullying as repeated and intentional we can begin to treat true incidents of bullying more effectively.

We need your support in helping your children recognize and report when they are truly being bullied. Oftentimes, evidence of bullying may be seen if a child is reluctant to come to school. I have also seen that when a child is truly being bullied, the bully is usually someone the victim calls a "friend". Please take the opportunity to talk to your children about bullying. Take the time to find out if they have a friend who is bullying them or if they are, in fact, bullying others.

The teachers and playground aides at Foothill Elementary School have been instructed to investigate all reports of bullying. If there is evidence that the behavior is intentional and repetitive, the teacher is to refer the bully to the office. I will then work with the bully and his/her family to ensure the bullying behavior ceases immediately.

It is my hope that as we work together we will help make Foothill Elementary a safe learning environment for all students. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,  
Jeremy Brunner  
Principal  
Foothill Elementary

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# PTA President's message

Amy Oakey



Happy New Year!

We hope you had a fun and relaxing holiday break. Now we are ready to jump into the second half of the year. There are plenty of things to keep us busy. We wanted to share a brief overview of events that will take place. Each month more specific details will be included in the newsletter.

After having a break in December, Art will start back up in January. Please contact your art coordinator or teacher if you have any questions.

Class Spelling Bees will take place in January with the school Spelling Bee held on February 1st from 6-8 PM. (The Regional Bee is scheduled for March 10th.)

The spring Book Fair will take place the first week of February, during Parent Teacher Conferences. Please watch for an online volunteer sign-up that will be sent out soon.

In March there will be both the Battle of the Books and the Knowledge Bowl competitions. Teacher Appreciation will be in March this year

The Art Gala will take place in April. We will also have our Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon at the end of the month.

Finally, in May the teachers will need volunteers to help with Field Day during the last part of the month.

We will have a PTA Meeting on Wednesday, January 10th at 10 AM. We will meet in the Faculty Room since testing will be going on in the library.



# Upcoming Events

## January 2018

| Monday                                    | Tuesday | Wednesday   | Thursday                    | Friday                      |
|---|---------|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1   | 2       | 3<br>School Resumes                               | 4                           | 5                           |
| 8<br>Early Out Day                        | 9       | 10<br>6th Grade Clear Creek<br>PTA Meeting - 10am | 11<br>6th Grade Clear Creek | 12<br>6th Grade Clear Creek |
| 15<br>Martin Luther King Day<br>No School | 16      | 17  | 18                          | 19                          |
| 22<br>Early Out Day                       | 23      | 24  | 25<br>5th Grade Program     | 26                          |
| 29<br>Early Out Day                       | 30      | 31  |                             |                             |

### January Birthdays!

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Christie Kloeppe | 3  |
| Janet Mason      | 7  |
| Shannon Tolman   | 8  |
| Camie Granadas   | 9  |
| Melinda Gassman  | 22 |
| Jamie Madsen     | 25 |

### Next Month...

|                            |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| School Spelling Bee        | February 1   |
| Book Fair                  | February 5-9 |
| Parent Teacher Conferences | February 7-8 |
| President's Day-No School  | February 19  |

# Nursing News

January 2018

NURSING NEWS-JANUARY 2018

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL!!!!

It's that time of year when we tend to send more colds, flu, and other illnesses.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

Colds/Flu-watery discharge from nose and eyes, sneezing, chills, general body discomfort, or if there is a fever or yellow or green drainage from eyes or nose it is particularly important to keep the children home.

Diarrheal Diseases-an increased number of stools compared with the child's normal pattern with increased water and/or decreased form which may be accompanied by nausea, vomiting, abdominal cramping, headaches, and/or fever. If any kind of stool softeners (enema, laxative) are administered, please keep your student home for at least 12 hours.

Impetigo-blister-like lesions or oozing or crusted sores could be Impetigo which MUST be diagnosed and treated with antibiotic for at least 24 hours before the child may return to school.

Pink Eye or Conjunctivitis-redness of eye(s), water, white, or yellow discharge from the eye, matted eyelashes, burning or itching eyes may be infectious conjunctivitis which MUST be treated with an antibiotic for at least 24 hours before the child may return to school.

Any open wound or sore.

Persistent cough.

Nausea or vomiting.

Strep throat or other bacterial infection- MUST

be on antibiotic at least 24 hours before returning to school.

Fever 100.5 degrees or above.

Presence of any skin rashes that might be due to an infection(e.g. measles, strep, staph, fungus, chickenpox)

Foul-smelling urine or blood in the urine.

Earache or ear drainage.

ACCORDING TO UTAH COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. POLICY, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT A DOCTOR'S NOTE IS GIVEN TO THE SECRETARY IN THE MAIN OFFICE WHEN A STUDENT RETURNS TO SCHOOL FROM A COMMUNICABLE ILLNESS.

Controlling communicable disease in the day care and school setting is of utmost importance to provide a healthy environment that facilitates the educational process! Also, we have students that are medically fragile. Any kind of illness for these students that are medically fragile is much more serious than for a child that is healthy.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP IN KEEPING OUR SCHOOLS HEALTHY!!!!

Sincerely,

Kim Lowe, RN, School Nurse

# Ski and Snowboard School

## REGISTRATER BY FEB 1<sup>st</sup> at

<http://www.foothillpta.org/programs/ski-school-sundance>

### 2018 Season

**Dates:** Feb 12  
Feb 26  
March 12  
March 19  
All Mondays from 4-6pm

**Ages:** 8 and up for skiing  
9 and up for snowboarding.

**Cost:** \$200 or \$160 with season pass  
Due by Feb 1, 2018!  
pay to Katrina Larson via Venmo or check

**Rentals:** Ski/snowboards \$10 per session  
Helmets \$5 per session  
(paid directly to Nymans or other shop)

**Questions:** Contact Katrina Larson @ 801-361-0287 or leifandkatrina@yahoo.com