



ORCHARD EAGLES

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

As part of the Leader in Me program we have at Orchard, we teach the Seven Habits to help students recognize and internalize their potential. The great thing about positive habits is that if they are developed, they enrich our lives and aide us in the accomplishment of our goals. The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People also takes a holistic approach to this development. First, focusing on personal accountability (1: Be Proactive, 2: Begin with the end in mind, 3: Put first things first), next on interactions with others (4: Think win win, 5: Seek first to understand then be understood, 6: Synergize) and lastly on personal improvement and care (7: Sharpen the saw). Traditionally a new year is a time to set goals, reflect on the past and prepare for the future. While I have had to reflect this upcoming new year, I've determined to be kinder, more patient, and understanding. I think as a school and a community this is something we can all strive for. It is my intention at Orchard to focus on kindness, patience, and understanding and I would encourage you to visit with your student and discuss how developing the habits they learn at school might help them with these traits in their lives. I am looking forward to my discussions with students and any suggestions they may have as to how we can better work together can make Orchard an even greater place to learn and play.

Thank You and Happy New Year

Aaron Stevenson, Principal

PTA MESSAGE



Happy New Year!

Upcoming January PTA event is the Science Fair. PTA meeting will be Tuesday, January 13th at 1:00pm at the school. We will be starting to plan our school carnival so if you would like to help with that please come to our PTA meeting in January.

Corey Johnson

PTA President

SPANISH IMMERSION PTA MESSAGE

Feliz Año Nuevo!



Any New Year Resolutions to learn a second language? Our Spanish Immersion students are amazing. If you know anyone who would be interested in our program, spread the word. We will be having an information meeting for all Kindergarten parents who are interested in our Dual Language program on January 24th at 5:30 pm in our Media Center. (We will send out more details soon!)

Shea Christensen

Calendar!

- ◆ Jan 3: School Resumes
- ◆ Jan 10: School Community Council Mtg. 3:40pm
- ◆ Jan 13: Penguin Day for 1st Grade
- ◆ Jan 13: PTA Meeting, 1pm
- ◆ Jan 16: Civil Rights Day, No School
- ◆ Jan 23: Ski/Snowboard Program at Sundance
- ◆ Jan : Spanish Dual Immersion Parent Meeting, 5pm in Library
- ◆ Jan : Science Fair Open House

2017 ORCHARD SCIENCE FAIR!!

It's Time Again for the Science Fair!

It's time to get prepared for the Orchard Elementary Science Fair. All students K-6 are invited to participate, however, only projects done by 5th and 6th graders will be judged, as they are the only projects eligible to go on to the District Science Fair. If you're in 5th grade, you're in luck: only 5th graders are REQUIRED to complete a project.

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

Applications due: January 20, 2017 in the office

Science Fair: January 26, 2017

Setup: 7:30 am - 9:15 am Gym

Judging: 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Open House: 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Projects taken home: January 27, 2017 immediately after school



It's Box Top Time!



Make a New Years Resolution to save and collect your Boxtops! Every single one helps!!! We collected \$700 in November...let's keep that number climbing this year!