Dr. Vallen Thomas - Principal

"Building a Community of Learners One Student at a Time"

# Saratoga Shores Elementary

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**Upcoming Events** 

# **February**

Fri. 17 - End of 2nd Trimester

Mon. 20 - President's Day (No School)

Tues. 21 – Costa Vida Night 5-9

Wed. 22 - National Pink Shirt Day-Wear Pink

Wed. 22 - Dr. T Reader's 5th-6th

Fri. 24 – 5th Grade Maturation program 1-2

Tues. 28 – Dr. T Reader's 1st-4th

# March

Thurs. 2 – 6th Grade day @ Vista Heights

Mon. 6 - No School - Teacher Development

Tues. 7 – PTA Meeting @ 10 AM

Wed. 8 – Pink Shirt Day

Fri. 10 - Parents and Pastries 1st Grade

Fri. 10 - Dress like a Favorite Book Character

Sun. 12 - Daylight Saving

Tues. 14 – Kindergarten Packet Pickup starts

Mon 20-Fri 24 – Teacher Appreciation Week

Tues. 21 – Chick-Fil-A Night

Tues. 28 - Kindergarten registration

### April

Mon. 3 thru Fri. 7 – Spring Break (No School) Fri. 14 – Parents and Pastries Kindergarten

Remember to wear school colors every Friday for Spirit Fridays

# Principal's Message

Principal's Message for February 2017

As January closes and we move on to February, I would like to share some of the great things coming up for the Saratoga Shores Sharks.

Fun Friday: This Friday, February 9th is our annual Fancy Friday and our students and teachers will be wearing their best to school. This is one of our most participated in spirit days of the year and we hope to put on the Ritz here at Saratoga Shores!

National Pink Shirt Day – Wednesday, February 22nd: PLEASE join us as we Stand4Kind and wear Pink on this day. Every month we wear pink shirts in our efforts to Stand4Kind and to stamp out bullying. I would like to share a little background on how this special day started: Students who choose to stand up to bullying started the Pink Shirt movement ten years ago. They stood up by supporting a student who was being harassed because he liked to wear pink shirts. Students banded together and all came to school wearing pink shirts to stand behind this student; and to stand up to those who choose to be unkind. The result of this has caught on around the country, and internationally, as students and communities choose to wear pink to demonstrate they Stand4Kind. For more on how pink shirt day started go to this You Tube video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gjmf3l1\_ZhU

I am encouraged by the increased participation in Dr. T's Reader each month. It is a thrill to discuss books with your students. February's Dr. T's Readers books will be the following: Grades 1-2: Cam Jensen and the Chocolate Fudge Mystery By David A. Adler; Grades 3-4: The Chalk Box Kid By Robert Bulla; and for Grades 5-6: Ruby Holler By Sharon Creech.

It would not be a monthly message without my reminder to please keep your students reading – not only Dr. T's books, but any good books they can get their hands on.

Thank you for the support we feel from you each day as we continue to "Building a Community of Learners – One Student at a Time"

Dr. Thomas

Monday Early Out Schedule

Kindergarten - Track A 9:15-12:0

<u>Kindergarten – Track B 12:35-2:30</u> 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Track A 8:00-1:15

1st - 6th Track B 9:15-2:30

http://saratogashores.alpineschools.org

# Dear Parents,

We are providing the following link to increase your awareness of signs and symptoms of child sexual abuse and the legal obligation (new state law based HB 286) of all adults 18 years of age and older to report possible abuse to

Child Protective Services: <a href="https://pcau.enspark.com/">https://pcau.enspark.com/</a> It is all of our responsibility to protect our youth and to provide needed support in instances where that trust has been broken. All schools across the state have received this training and I believe you will find the presentation informative as well.

Thank you - Dr. Thomas

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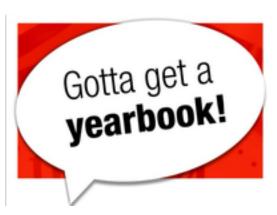
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