CEDAR RIDGE ELEMENTARY

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Our Mission: To develop and enlighten the mind, encourage compassion and integrity and promote responsible citizenship.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

arent-Teacher Conferences are this week. We encourage you to make the commitment to come and meet with your child's teacher.

Hopefully, this meeting will be a cause for celebration. However, upon meeting with the teacher, if you believe that your child can do better, please consider these suggestions:

- Talk with your child. What is causing the struggle in school? What would help? It is okay if he or she is not sure.
- Share your expectations. Explain that you take low grade seriously. Your child does not have to get all A's but does need to try hard and ask for help when needed.
- Keep in contact with the teacher. How can you solve the problem together, especially now at Parent-Teacher Conferences? Is there anything the teacher can change?

- Pinpoint the problem. Has your child been absent too much to learn? Is homework turned in on time? Are there attention or behavior problems?
- Plan for improvement. Set • realistic goals in one or more areas (such as turning a C into a B- or doing homework at a regular time).
- Praise your child's success. Notice where he or she does well, including in extracurricular activities, and give frequent compliments.

I sincerely hope that the upcoming Parent-Teacher Conferences will be a positive experience for you and your child. Thank you for all your time and support!

Sincerely,

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Jeremy Brunner

Principal

Stay Informed! Check out the school's website: cedarridge.alpineschools.org



February

- 1-4, Book Fair
- 3-4, Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 4, PTA Meeting, 10am
- 14, Valentine's Day
- 15, Presidents' Day No School
- 25, PTA Chick Fil-A Night, 5-8pm
- 26, End of 2nd Trimester

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration for next year will begin on March 28th. Please help us spread the word! Children must be 5 years old by September 1st, 2016, in order to be enrolled.

Please note that because we have not been able get enough parents to fill our 8:00am and 11:20am kindergarten classes, we are only planning on having kindergarten classes on the Track 2 schedule next year. Classes will go from 9:15am -12pm and 12:35pm - 3:30pm. Students with siblings already enrolled on the Track 1 schedule will have priority for the 9:15am start time classes. Please look for more information to come home by the end of February.

Background Checks Reminder

If you are planning on being a chaperon on a field trip, you may want to schedule your fingerprinting appointment now. State law requires a new, more thorough background check for anyone who has unsupervised access to children. Pease call 801-610-8467 if you need a fingerprinting appointment.

Thank you to all who supported the Chick-Fil-A Spirit night in Jan. As usual, we had a great turnout. The Spirit night for this month is Feb. 25. Hope to see you there.

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Science Fair Winners

We are pleased to announce the school level winners of the Science Fair. The following students won and will represent our school at a district competition:

5th Grade:

Cynthia Jensen Garrett Moon Adrie Seamons Tyler Warnick Millie Ericksen

6th Grade:

Jeffrey Seaquist Lewis Isom Alexis Gee Ethan Roettger Ethan Densley Benjamin Bagley Quinn Lopez and Ethan Clements Preston Smithson Brian Gage and Jacob Kanigan Brooke Lucas Joshua Hoffman Clark Sorensen Charlie Price Leah Yarbrough Annie Cannon

We're proud of you!



SpEd Parent Night

Make plans to attend the Alpine School District Parenting Conference. It will be on Thursday, March 24, from 6:00-8:30pm at the Legacy Elementary Media Center (28 East 1340 North, American Fork).

Topics include:

• Who's Taking Care of the Caregiver? How to put our oxygen masks on first!

• The Importance of Play in School and at Home

• Visual Schedules: What role can they play in helping with behavior?

• Self-Advocacy: Ideas on talking to your child about their disability and getting their "buy-in" with their school plans.

Help Wanted

Alpine School District is always looking for great substitute teachers. If you are interested, call 801-373-1616 or send an email to <u>5913@kellyservices.com</u>. Go to <u>http://kellyeducationalstaffing.us/</u> <u>Customer/KES-Alpine/Home/</u> for more information.

The Book Fair is being held this week. Check out the selections in the media center Feb. 1-4.

PTA News

Thank you for all your support in the PTA programs. We couldn't do it without you.

Many thanks to all those who participated in our Teacher Appreciation Week. The decorated doors looked wonderful and faculty and staff were so grateful for all the love and support you showed them.