

Kelley Class News



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Teacher-to-Parents

Dear Parents,

Hello! It took me awhile to get this out this week. I hope you enjoyed another unexpected day off. Thank you for all the families that sent their emergency contact information back so quickly. This is so helpful just in case we have more weather issues.

You are amazing!!! We had all our t-shirts at school on Wednesday, January 19th. We have never had that quick and complete response from our classes. This is great because it gives us more time to work with students on their shirts. I will send out a link for a sign up to send in food items for our 100th day snack. Thank you for being so supportive of our class.

We finished mCLASS assessments on Tuesday. Almost all students have shown growth. Some have made incredible growth. Some children may still be considered "well below" but look at how much they have grown since the beginning of the year (BOY). The goal rises with each quarter, so they have to grow even more if they are well below. In my experience, first graders tend to make more growth in January and February, so we will keep helping them with these goals.

Report cards came home yesterday. Please send the brown report card envelope back and keep the report card.

Have a good week!

Mrs. Kelley, Mrs. King and Miss Golden

Week-At-A-Glance

Literacy: We will be beginning our next module on birds and their body parts. We will be studying birds for the rest of the year. Your child will be a bird expert! We are focusing on informational text and will learn about text features and how they help the learner.

Math: We will focus on taking the Number Knowledge Test (NKT) this week. This assessment asks students to share what they know about numbers and how they are connected. This is an oral test. Students do not use paper/pencil to find the answers.

Social Studies: We will finish our map unit and take the assessment. Students will show their understanding of maps, map keys and the compass rose.

Positivity Project/Leadership: Other People Matter-Supporting others when they struggle How can you notice when others need support or help.

Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood—listen before I talk.

☺ Fixed Mindset Reviewing	VS	☺ Growth Mindset Reviewing
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Specials

Jan. 24-28
Media
Jan. 31-Feb 4
Music

- Reminders...**
- Bring a water bottle to school*
 - Bring a snack to school*
 - Bring a face mask to school (and a spare)*
 - Check the weather!*
 - Charge your device every night*
 - Bring back your take home books*

What's Happening

COVID Updates

Most of the COVID information is the same. Here is some new information:

- Students should get tested if they have any COVID symptoms.
 - If you are at least 2 weeks out from your 2nd dose vaccination and you don't have symptoms, then you don't need to quarantine if you are exposed to someone with COVID
- Here are the symptoms that require students to go home (even if they have been vaccinated):

Fever or chills

Cough

Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Fatigue

Muscle or body aches

Headache

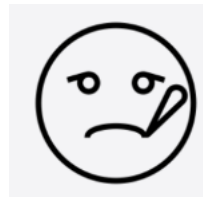
New loss of taste or smell

Sore throat

Congestion or runny nose

Nausea or vomiting

Diarrhea



Stomach ache is no longer a symptom of COVID

Recess and Cold Weather

It is getting cold out there. Just a reminder that we go out for recess everyday (unless it is raining or if there is a lot of snow/slush on the ground) even when it is cold outside. First graders need time to run around and use up that extra energy we wish we all had. If it is really cold we may only go out for a short time (our recesses are usually 15 minutes), but we will go out. Make sure your child has a coat and other winter wear. Let us know if you need help providing your child with a coat.



Blending Words

One of the areas that children can start working that will help them at school and reading is practicing blending words. In class, we are working on blending words as we go along. Here's what I mean: If I wanted to blend the word "gap"... g, then sound the "ga", then sound the "gap". Sometimes when students sound each letter, they forget the first sound. Adding on each letters helps them to remember the previous letters. Try it at home.

Blending Sounds

Sounding Out CVC Words



Welcome Decker!

He joined our class on
January 5th

Mark Your Calendar

Jan. 26: Meet and Greet with Mrs. Blake (our new principal)
5:45-6:30 pm

Feb. 2: College T-Shirt Day

Feb. 3: Covey Parent Workshop 6:00pm

Feb. 11: 100th day of school

