

# Pleasant Grove Elementary Gazette



Principal's Message

December 2023

Happy Holidays!

I hope you all had a fantastic Thanksgiving break and enjoyed the holiday with your family. As this holiday season is a time for gratitude and goodwill, I want to thank you, Tiger families, for your hard work and dedication in developing such fine student leaders. Thank you for helping our students get to school safely and on time, helping with homework, encouraging them, being positive role models, and for your continued support. This all makes a difference to each and every child.

There is so much to be thankful for at Pleasant Grove Elementary. I am thankful for all the volunteers who give countless hours to make PGES a better place for students and staff—especially our consistent volunteers who work in the classrooms, tutor students, help teachers, copy materials and/or volunteer at our community events. Our PTA volunteers who work tirelessly to provide many of the “extras” that make school so memorable. The front office staff—Dolly & Teasjia—set the tone for our school. They are the first people visitors meet and they establish the positive, calm, and caring culture. Plus, they have the challenging task of keeping me in line! The support staff, from Mr. Tim to Ms. Melissa in the kitchen, Ms. Noelia and our yard sups helping to keep our students safe, and all our paraeducators provide so much support to all us. Of course, our teachers...there are not enough words to express how much I appreciate what they do. They are the hardest working teachers around. And families, I also remind you to reach out to me, personally, if there is anything I can do to help support you or our students. I am always available to serve our students and families with support, care and love.

We value the strong bond between our school and our community. Further, we understand the importance of partnering with families to support academic success. Thank you for the great turn out at recent parent/teacher conferences. The collaboration between the parents and the teacher is paramount and an additional component that makes Pleasant Grove Elementary a special place to be.

***From the entire staff at Pleasant Grove Elementary-Happy Holidays to you and your family!***

Our Newsletter is published each month and will contain information to assist in keeping you informed of activities and events in which your student may be involved. We will continue to provide information that you may find useful in providing support to your student on their educational journey. Your insight and input is strongly encouraged.



# Calendar of Events December

December 1st	Student of the Month Assembly K-11:20am/1st—6th 2:10pm
December 1st	Spirit Day... Your Choice: 1) ugly Christmas sweater or 2) pajama day
December 1st	3rd grade field trip- WOW Museum
December 1st	PTA Holiday Movie Night 6:00—8:00 PM
December 6th	Principal's Coffee Chat 2:00 PM
December 8th	Spelling Bee Site competition 3rd- 6th grade 9:00 AM
December 8th	1st & 2nd Grade Field Trip Roller King
December 15th	1st Graders & Mrs. Link's Class Performance 10:45 AM
<b>December 15th</b>	<b>Minimum Day 1st—6th Grade 12:50pm Dismissal</b>
<b>December 15th</b>	<b>All kindergarten on AM schedule 8:20—11:40</b>
December 18th— January 2nd	Winter break
<b>January 3rd</b>	Students return to school



## Principal Coffee Chat

Come join Mrs. Wood for the Principal's Coffee Chat on Wednesday, December 6th at 2:00 PM and hear all about the latest happenings around campus and you will have the opportunity to ask questions.



## Winter Break



**December 18th—January 2nd**

# ANNUAL TOY DRIVE

Drop off any **NEW, Unwrapped toys NOW** until  
**Tuesday, December 12th in the Office.**

# CHIPS FOR KIDS TOY DRIVE

CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL - VALLEY DIVISION

NOW THROUGH **DEC. 10**



**DROP OFF NEW, UNWRAPPED TOYS TO ANY  
SPONSOR LOCATION OR CHP OFFICE!**



CHP LOCATIONS



# Student of the Month

<b>ACADEMIC</b>	<b>CHARACTER TRAIT</b> <b>Gratitude</b>	<b>EFFORT</b>
<p>Bruce Andaluz Hava Andaluz Connor Chuang Maverick Congdon Madison Dobbs Jack Jones Alden Kitenza Sebastian Luong Kyson Ingraham Ibrahim Mehmood Mason Phu Kaylie Rhynas Xander Simunich Nav Sondh Daniel Shaw</p>	<p>Jeremiah Banks Owen Bennett Finley Coates Ava Garcia Mila Gourkani Joanna Greib Blake Green Zara Majeed Olivia Marengo Amelia Nesman Luong Natalie Noriega Eliseko Otero-Frost Eid Othman Aubrey Ritter Leonidas Thao</p>	<p>Andres Aguilar Brody Barrozo Hukam Bath Max Brechbill Ally Buna Colton Calvetti Gavin DeMille Julian Hakala Christine Lema Paige Moua Ryan Nguyen Ayva Norica Isaiah Shamonda Andrea Soares Skylar Zhou</p>



# Accelerated Reader!

Congratulations to our students earning the following  
AR Awards during the month of **November!**

## Bronze

Sophie Diaz  
Catalina Fernandez  
Clay Green  
William Lee  
Elizabeth McFadden  
Jaxon Sategna  
Huy-Haiden Tran

## Silver

Hukam Bath  
Olivia Marengo  
Kaylie Rhynas

## Gold

Kinsley Congdon  
Jeevun Dhillon  
Benjamin Winemiller

## Platinum

Jai Shah





# ***Perfect Attendance***

**10/31/23-11/28/23**

Congratulations to these students!  
No lates, no absences and no early dismissals.  
Keep up the good work!

## **KINDERGARTEN**

Hope Anderson  
Wyatt Coleman  
Abigale Coles  
Gabriel Cooper  
Elias Godinez  
Nash Hand  
Kyson Ingraham  
Jordan Jones  
Sebastian Luong  
Quinn Marengo  
Luis Montez  
Sargi Sidhu  
Avery Wessel  
Kendall Zaragoza

## **First Grade**

Kyleigh Aston  
Camden Bok  
Jailyn Bufford  
Ava Congdon  
Miles Hosmann  
Ronan Lux  
Makenzie Poti  
Taylor Pratt  
Caia Raines  
Kira Rhynas  
Shayaan Saeed  
Lucas Ursin  
Luke Zaragoza

## **Second Grade**

Emily Borges  
Jalton Bufford  
Elliot Coles  
Kinsley Congdon  
Maverick Congdon  
Gemma Cornell  
Jonathan Dous  
Sophia Fernandez  
Kaylee Henzie  
Jack Jones  
Christopher Lema  
Olivia Marengo  
Daniel Naveja Ortiz  
Isabelle Nguyen  
Saige Pitt  
Carson Retke  
Yliana Rodriguez  
Elena Silva  
Andrea Elaine Soares  
Huy-Haiden Tran  
Gage Williams-Harlen

## **Third Grade**

Faith Anacleto  
Bryce Aston  
Haulani Aveau  
Everett Barfield  
Aiden Bennett  
Owen Bennett  
Sierra Bufford  
Maci Coleman  
Yeray Dominguez  
Zavala  
Rory French  
Juliana Garcia  
Evelyn Har-  
denburg  
Chu Ye Her  
Michelle English  
Myka La Sance  
Eli Linley  
Marley Mack  
Ibrahim Mehmood  
Aahil Qamar  
Aizelle San  
Aevin San  
Jaxon Sategna  
Mason Shaw  
Savannah Shen  
Kanan Sythanyarutt  
Makayla Tarr  
Benjamin Wiechert

## **Fourth Grade**

Ally Buna  
Dylan Chuang  
Dallas Congdon  
Graham Cornell  
Charlotte Cuong  
McKenna Day  
Chidimma Enemuoh  
Catalina Fernandez  
Nelson Le  
Kelsie Lux  
Ryan Nguyen  
Ella Retke  
Antonio Ruano  
Subhan Saeed  
Nav Dondh  
Indie Taylor  
Gabriella Turanski  
Benjamin Ursin  
Kent Vang

## **Fifth Grade**

Makai Barfield  
Noah Bennett  
Connor Chuang  
Kohen Cosand  
Gavin Demille  
Ariel Dominguez Zavala  
Christina Dominguez  
Somtochi Enemuoh  
Whalen French  
Kalee Her  
Ashlyn Kalwani  
Amaya Kertel  
Amelia Nesman Luong  
Alexander Nguyen  
Dustin Nguyen  
Morgan Phelps  
Toby Pratt  
Aevin San  
Aizelle San  
Jai shah  
Naydeen Shehadeh  
DII Sondh  
Ella Thomas  
Jase Thompson  
Austin Xiong  
Brady Zaragoza

## **Sixth Grade**

Honesty Aveau  
Anant Bhullar  
Molly Biggs  
Leo Buna  
Aaron Byrd  
Christiana Fong  
Xochil Garnia  
Blake Green  
Peng Sou Her  
Aimee Johnson  
Christine Lemna  
Conner Lewis  
Giovanni Moreno  
Ahana Narayan  
Haydee Nava  
Allison Newman  
Allison Nguyen  
Nicholas Chris Ogoy  
Aubrey Ritter  
Illiana Romo  
Lilyan Sategna  
Isaiah Shamonda  
Daniel Shaw  
Kenzo Sythanyarutt  
Sean Thiara  
Alexander Turanski  
Brooklyn VandeBrake  
Aiden Verma  
Ethan Xiong  
Brynn Zehnder