

Pleasant Grove Elementary Gazette



Principal's Message

November 2023

Happy November!

I want to give a giant **THANK YOU** to our fabulous PTA and all of you who volunteered to help make our Fall Carnival a memorable and very fun family event. It was great to see so many current, past, and future PGES Tigers enjoying the carnival.

Now that it is November, our first trimester has come to a close. Teachers are working on report cards and conferences will be scheduled for November 13-17. These will be minimum days for grades 1-6 and students will be dismissed at 12:50pm. Kindergarten schedule does not change.

Parent-teacher conferences are an opportunity to establish strong, clear communication between parents and teachers. Since children are sometimes different at home and in school, both the parent and the teacher gain an understanding of the child and can, therefore, be more effective in helping him or her achieve their full potential.

Preparing for the conference can make the experience more rewarding. If you are concerned about your child's work, keep copies of material that illustrate your concerns. To gain information about your child's behavior and progress, you might prepare some questions that directly address your area of concern.

Here are some possible examples:

1. Is my child able to persevere when given a difficult question or task?
2. Is my child able to act as part of a group sharing in the workload?
3. Does my child demonstrate compassion/empathy to students around her?
4. Will he independently seek out additional information?
5. Is my child able to think through problems in a logical manner?
6. When given an assignment, is my child motivated to begin immediately and produce her best work?
7. Does my child respond in a flexible manner when the schedule, teacher or routine is changed?

We look forward to spending time with you during conference week discussing your child and his/her development!

Your partner in education,

Deidra Wood

Attendance Numbers 8/10-10/30 (first 57 days of school):

Total Students Enrolled: 364

Total Absences: 843

Total Early Dismissals: 294

Total Tardies: 761

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 November

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| November 1st | Principal's Coffee Chat 8:30 AM |
| November 1st | School Site Council Meeting 3:00 PM |
| November 1st | #iSmart Parent Presentation Zoom Meeting 6-7:00 PM |
| November 2nd | Dia de los Muertos Flower Workshop 5:30 -7:00 PM |
| November 3rd | Minimum Day 1-6th grades 12:50 Dismissal no change for PM kinder |
| November 3rd | Student of the Month Assembly 8:30AM Grades 1-6 Kinder Student of the Month Assembly 11:00 AM |
| November 3rd | Spirit Day—Anything but a backpack or Comfy Day |
| November 8th | PTA Dining for Dollars—Brickhouse Restaurant |
| November 9th | Veteran's Day Ceremony 8:30 AM |
| November 9th | PTA General Meeting—South Slope 6:15 PM |
| November 10th | Veteran's Day—No School |
| November 13th-17th | Minimum Day Schedule 1-6th Grades 12:50 Dismissal Level 4 Class 12:40 Dismissal Kindergarten, no change except for Friday 11/17 (Parent teacher conferences) |
| November 16th | Apex Fun Run—schedule TBD |
| November 17th | PM Kinders all on AM schedule 8:20—11:40 AM |
| November 20th—24th | Thanksgiving Break—No School |



Thanksgiving Break
November 20th—24th



The KCRA 3 Kids Can Food Drive ends November 10th

We have about 2 more weeks to collect
canned goods!

No School—November 10th—Veteran's Day

Principal Coffee Chat



Come join Mrs. Wood for the Principal's Coffee Chat on
Wednesday, November 1st at 8:30 AM and hear all about
the latest happenings around campus and you will have
the opportunity to ask questions.

APEX FUN RUN

Apex Fun Run PTA Fundraiser November 6th -17th

During the Apex Fun Run program, students are challenged to get pledges for the
laps they will run on Fun Run Day to help our school. Students will run for 30
minutes and will run an average of 26-36 laps around the Apex Raceway.

Minimum Days—Parent Conferences

Monday, November 13th—Friday, November 17th

1st—6th Grade—12:50 PM Dismissal

Level 4 Class —12:40 Dismissal

Kindergarten Schedule will remain the same schedule
except for Friday, November 17th, all kinders on AM schedule

8:20-11:40

Student of the Month

| ACADEMIC | CHARACTER TRAIT Responsibility | EFFORT |
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| <p>Wyatt Coleman Kinsley Congdon Chidimma Enemuoh Nathan Giang Kadence Hickling Ava King Luka King Angela Lai Remington McNeil Alexander Nguyen Amaya Prasad Shayaan Saeed Mehtar Sidhu Anyia Tymochko</p> | <p>Bryce Aston Rubi Calderon Ava Congdon Charlotte Cuong McKenna Day Brooklyn Davila Cruz Davila Sophia Fernandez Braxton Fonda Quinn Marengo Haydee Nava Makenzie Poti Makayla Tarr Brooklynn VandeBrake</p> | <p>Leo Buna Paisley Chavez Christina Dominguez Landen Fante-Yim Colton Fonda Noah Gonzales Nolan Lewis Keiden Loera Elizabeth McFadden Hieu Nguyen Julian Noriega Trevor Pratt Aahil Qamar Gerardo Vargas Delgado</p> |



READING COUNTS

Congratulations to our students earning the following
RC Awards during the month of **October!**

Bronze

Haulani Aveau
Hukam Bath
Sierra Bufford
Leo Buna
Charlotte Cuong
Hudson Coates
Jemma Cornell
Sydney De Cou
Braxton Fonda
Colton Fonda
Nolan Gregor
Kaylie Henzie
Angela Lai
Evie Lawson
Hieu Nguyen
Chase Radich
Luke Seavers
Isaiah Shamonda
Kanan Sythanyarutt
Sean Thiara
Benjamin Ursin
Carson Vongvilay
Ariel Zhou
Skylar Zhou

Silver

Ally Buna
Kinsley Congdon
Jeevun Dhillon
Ajemhr Gill
Akseer Gill
Isabelle Nguyen
Jai Shah

Gold

Bruce Andaluz
Cason Coates
Maverick Congdon
Lukono Kitenza
Morgan Phelps
Kira Rhynas

Platinum

Connor Chuang
Jaelyn Jones
Alexzander Zakhir



Perfect Attendance through 9/27/23-10/30/23

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

KINDERGARTEN

Chase Ballard
Wyatt Coleman
Gabriel Cooper
Jordan Jones
Quinn Marengo
Elias Mehmood
Luis Montez
Xander Simunich
Leonidas Thao

First Grade

Addison Fox
Ronan Lux
Douglas Macdonald III
Maxwell Mazzola
Lucy Nanzer
Mason Phu
MaKenzie Poti
Caia Raines
Kira Rhynas
Lucas Ursin

Second Grade

Emily Borges
Hudson Coates
Elliot Coles
Maverick Congdon
Jeevun Dhillon
Vincent Do
Sophia Fernandez
Madison Gregor
Nolan Gregor
Jack Jones
Evie Lawson
Isabelle Nguyen
Saige Pitt
Yliana Rodriguez
Andrea Elaine Soares
Marco Taylor
Areyia Valencia
Kodi Wallace

Third Grade

Faith Anacleto
Everett Barfield
Brody Barrozo
Aiden Bennett
Owen Bennett
Sierra Bufford
Julian Cabrera
Macy Coleman
Rory French
Evelyn Hardenburg
Chu Ye Her
Myka La Sance
Kourtnie Lewis
Natalie Lewis
Eli Linley
Amelia Phelps
Aahil Qamar
Aizelle San
Mehar Sidhu
Makayla Tarr
Agustin Valencia
Benjamin Wiechert

Fourth Grade

Andrew Borlak
Finley Coates
Dallas Congdon
McKenna Day
Chidimma Enemuoh
Catalina Fernandez
Franklyn Gregor
Nelson Le
William Lee
Zuri Luu
Kelsie Lux
Indie Taylor
Kent Vang

Fifth Grade

Makai Barfield
Noah Bennett
Kohen Cosand
Ariel Dominguez Zavala
Christina Dominguez
Somtochi Enemuoh
Mason Fox
Whalen French
Kalee Her
Amaya Kertel
Amelia Nesman Luong
Alexander Nguyen
Dustin Nguyen
Morgan Phelps
Aevin San
Jai Shah
Jase Thompson
Aaron Vidal-Anderson

Sixth Grade

Honesty Aveau
Anant Bhullar
Christiana Fong
Xochil Garnica
Nathan Giang
James Gingery
Peng Sou Her
Keith Huang
Lukono Kitenza
Brian Lee
Christine Lema
Conner Lewis
Landon Luangrath
Ahana Narayan
Allison Nguyen
Nicholas Chris Ogoy
Kaylie Rhynas
Aubrey Ritter
Illiana Romo
Kaiden Ruffell
Kenzo Sythanyarutt
Sean Thiara
Ethan Xiong
Brynn Zehnder
Luke Zierden