



EAST CLIFF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT— PARENT BULLETIN

May 2, 2016



Dear Parents,

As the academic year draws to a close, I want you to know how much I have appreciated your support during this year. We had a wonderful year at East Cliff. Thank you for your continued support. The "Mixed Bags" fundraiser was a success. This funding will help us with the purchasing of educational supplies and pay for field trip expenses. I wish to take this opportunity to express my thanks and to wish you a relaxing summer. I look forward to next school year at our new building. Our new address is 1140 Broadway Blvd and our phone number stayed the same.

Sincerely,
Alma L. Muñoz



News from the Clinic

Parents: Please pick up any medications your child may have in the clinic before the end of the school year!!!!

ALL LEFTOVER MEDICATION IN THE CLINIC AT THE END OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR MUST BE PICKED UP BY AN ADULT. ANYTHING NOT TAKEN HOME WILL BE THROWN AWAY AFTER THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT NEITHER MEDICATION NOR PARENT PERMISSION TO GIVE IT, IS CARRIED OVER INTO THE NEXT YEAR.



If you did not turn in your pre-registration form and we do not have a correct

e-mail address on file, there is a strong possibility your child will not be registered for the next school year.

P.T.O. MEETING



Our final P.T.O. meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 17, 2016, at 6:00 PM in the cafeteria.

Agenda items include: election of our next slate of officers, Field Day, and recognition of our 2015-2016 P.T.O. officers.

Our Kinder students will present a musical program.

STAAR TESTING

All 3rd & 4th grade students will be taking the STAAR Math test on Monday, May 9, 2016, and the STAAR Reading test on Tuesday, May 10, 2016. All fifth grade re-takers will test on Monday, May 9th for Math and on Tuesday, May 10th for Reading. The 5th grade students will take the STAAR Science test on Wednesday, May 11, 2016. Lunch shifts and PE/Music schedules may vary a little and we would like to ask that all STAAR takers have lunch at school on these three days. We wish our 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students the BEST OF LUCK! On Wednesday, May 11, 2016, all students will eat in their classrooms.

TWO AWARD ASSEMBLIES

The annual Student Recognition Award Assemblies for the year will be held on Tuesday, May 24th for K-1-2 and Wednesday, May 25th for 3-4-5, at 8:30 AM in the cafeteria. Awards to be given are all "A" for all year in Grades 1-5, Perfect Attendance & Outstanding Attendance for all year. Kinder students will receive their diplomas and 5th graders will receive their Elementary Completion Certificates.



Our 1st graders will take their field trip on Friday, May 13, 2016, to Rockport-Fulton Beach. The students have been studying about oceans and sea life. If you plan to attend, you must have a **CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK** on file for this year.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL SCHEDULE

On Thursday, May 26, 2016, we will begin with Field Day at 8:30-10:30 AM. The lunch menu consists of hot dogs, chips, seasonal fruit, carrots and celery sticks and a choice of milk. The students will be eating their lunches on the school grounds. Our students will have early dismissal at 1:00 PM.



EARLY DISMISSAL

Students will be dismissed at 1:00 PM on Thursday, May 26, 2016. Please make arrangements for your child to be picked up at that time.

**HAVE A WONDERFUL AND SAFE
SUMMER VACATION!**



B.E.S.T. Club News

The last meeting of the school year will be held on Wednesday, May 4, 2016, at 7:20 AM in the gym. We will be making inspirational posters and notes for students that are taking the STAAR test the next week. The third grade students will be invited to attend the last meeting, if they are interested in joining the Best Club for next year.

We appreciate all the adults who have helped by attending our meetings and participating in the activities. Have a great summer.



The final report card grades will be mailed on June 7, 2016. Kindergarten report cards will be sent home on Wednesday, May 25, 2016. If you have moved, be sure the office has your current address on file and proof of current residence. If your address has not been updated your child will not receive a report card.

LIBRARY NEWS

From Mrs. Longoria

I would like to thank all of our wonderful volunteers who have helped out throughout the year. Your dedication and countless hours help to shape our campus into the awesome school that it is today! I wish everyone a safe and exciting Summer!!! Also, don't forget to sign up for the Summer Reading Program at the Bell-Whittingham Library.



See you soon and happy reading, Mrs. Longoria

2016-2017 INFORMATION

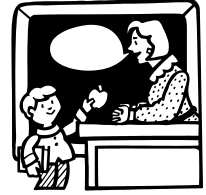


NEWS
FLASH!

Our district has continued to provide additional security measurers for our growing student population. The computerized system- known as Raptor Visitor Management Security System—allows school officials to screen all our visitors to our school. Upon entering the building, please report to the office. Visitors are required to swipe a valid government-issued identification card such as a driver's license. Once approved, the software prints an identification tag for visitors to wear. The tag includes the visitor's photograph, name time of arrival and destination within the school.

Counselor's Corner

I have enjoyed working with your children this year. We have covered many *Cool Kids* skills in addition to our regular guidance lessons, and I encourage you to continue reinforcing these skills throughout the summer. Some *Cool Kids* skills we have covered are:



1. Looking
2. Listening
3. Waiting
4. Following Instructions
5. Asking a Question
6. Disagreeing
7. Accepting a Compliment
8. Giving a Compliment
9. Interrupting Appropriately
10. Accepting Feedback or Correction
11. Making a Request
12. Accepting "No" For An Answer
13. Introducing Yourself
14. Joining In
15. Working Together
16. Making an Apology
17. Reporting Behavior

The following are the Six Pillars of Character that our students focus on each day.

CITIZENSHIP-is cooperating with others, obeying rules, and protecting the environment

RESPONSIBILITY-is doing what you are supposed to do, and admitting when you are wrong

RESPECT-is treating others the way you want to be treated, and accepting differences

CARING-is being kind, helpful, and generous

TRUSTWORTHINESS-is being honest, not lying, or cheating, or stealing, and doing the right thing

FAIRNESS-is playing by the rules, taking turns, sharing, and listening

May Newsletter
Betty Vacek

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Kindergarten PTO Program

The kindergartener will present their musical program on May 17. They will perform for the school the same day at morning at 8:15 a.m. The students need to wear their class t-shirts and blue jeans or capris. They will need to be in the music room by 5:55 p.m. The PTO meeting will start at 6:00 p.m.

5th Grade

A big shout out to the eight 5th grade students who volunteered to perform at the final G-P Intermediate PTO meeting. They will sing along with students from other GP Elementary schools. The performance will be on May 5. They were Trey Cates, Dale Loveland, Levi Welch, Ella Sanchez, Elisabeth Miller, Livia Smith, Lizzie Sides, and Toni Joskiewich. These students also performed for the Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast. Great job!

3rd grade Recorder Karate

The 3rd graders have been working on checking off songs for Recorder Karate. Congratulations to Haleigh Cook and Olivia Kohleffel who were the first and second students to earn a black belt!

Smencils Sale

Disney Inside Out Smencils are on sale for 3 for \$2. All Holiday Smencils are 2 for \$1. Thanks to all of you who have supported this music fundraiser! I have been able to purchase many needed items thanks to your generosity!

Recycle Central

Thanks to all of you who have sent e-waste to be recycled for cash for the Music and PE department. This is an ongoing program, but due to the move I won't take anymore recyclables until next school year. Businesses may still send recycled items and credit East Cliff.

Music Camp

There will be no Music Camp this summer due to the move to the new school.

Our annual Talent Show, under the direction of PTO volunteers, will be held from 8:15-10:30 AM in the cafeteria on Monday, May 23, 2016.



Coach Krebs, our P.E. teacher, reports that there are numerous coats and jackets in the "Lost and Found" box in the gym. If your child has lost their jacket, please stop by the gym to see if any of the items might belong to your child.

Thank you.