



Student and school report cards will be sent home on Monday, January 23, 2017. Just a reminder—Family Access is a web-based application that provides parents/guardians access to information such as grades and attendance for their students. Please stop by the office if you are interested in doing Family Access.

SCIENCE FAIR

Kinder, first & second grade students will bring a letter home regarding the Science Fair on January 31, 2017. The Science Fair will be held on March 2, 2017 for K-2nd. If you would like your child to participate, please check with your child's teacher for more information.

All 3rd, 4th, & 5th grade students will be required to do a science project that will be assigned the second week in January and will be due on February 20, 2017.

It will be your child's choice if he/she wishes to enter the Science Fair which will be held on March 2, 2017 for 3rd grade and March 3, 2017 for 4th & 5th grade.

Information about Science Fair is also available on the East Cliff website under the Resource tab.

PROBLEM Question?	CREATIVE TITLE []	PROCEDURE Step by Step
HYPOTHESIS Prediction	DATA Table of Chart	CONCLUSION Answer: Were you right? Possible errors Application
MATERIALS Specific List	Title of Graph Caption	Research Caption



PRESENTATION BOARDS **WILL NOT** BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE IN THE OFFICE.

JUST A REMINDER—**HEADERS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON THE PROJECTS**

B.E.S.T. Club News

A winter social for members was held on December 2, 2016. Members enjoyed playing a snowball game and a Santa relay game. They also decorated cookies and took home art materials for making a Christmas tree. It was a delightful evening. We want to thank all the parents who helped us with the party. Sponsors for the event were Mrs. Ramirez, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Owen and Mrs. Wiatrek.

The next B.E.S.T. Club meeting will be held on February 8, 2017.

SPELLING BEE

The annual school Spelling Bee for 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students will be held on Friday, January 27, 2017 at 8:30 AM in the cafeteria. Best wishes to all contestants!!!

END-OF-SEMESTER AWARD ASSEMBLY

The End-of-Semester Award Assembly for each grade level will be held on Thursday, January 26, 2017, in the cafeteria. The scheduled time for each grade level is as follows:

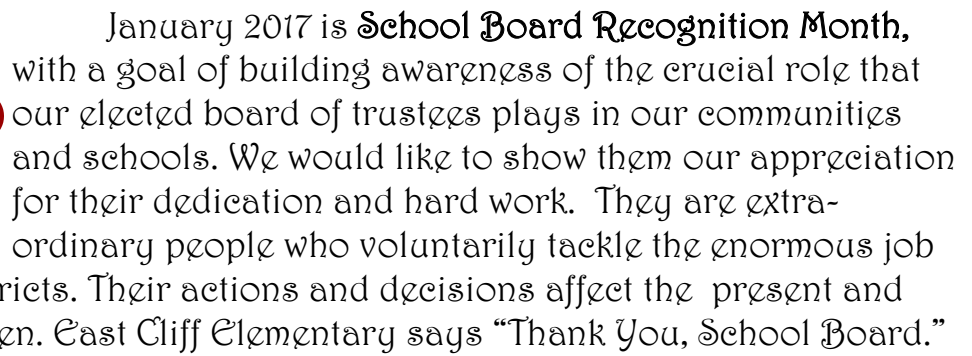
8:10-9:00 AM - 3rd, 4th and 5th grade

9:15-10:20 AM - Kinder, 1st and 2nd grade

Awards presented include:

- All-A Honor Roll - Grades 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5
- Perfect and Outstanding Attendance Award - All Grade Levels
- Citizenship Award (2 per teacher) - All Grade Levels
- B.I.G. Award (2 per teacher) - All Grade Levels
- Kiwanis Perfect Attendance Drawing - All Grade Levels
- Book It Award - Kindergarten





by

Six Pillars of Character

1st Semester

Respect-Treat others the way you want to be treated; don't threaten, hit, or hurt anyone.

1. Look at the person and smile.
2. Say "Thank You."
3. Do not disagree with the compliment.

Music News

Choir News

The choir had a busy December. We had over 35 students join in the Community Choir Concert on December 1st. Our tour was on December 15th. We went to Brookdale, Tri-Sun Coastal Palms, and The Pavilion. A big thanks goes to Wes Hoskins, along with 1st Community Bank, for treating us to lunch at Pizza Hut. After lunch, we traveled to Corpus Christi to sing at 1st Community Bank. A special thanks goes to those who helped chaperone the tour. The students will enjoy cookies on the last day of choir, which is January 3rd. The choir will sing the Star-Spangled Banner at a Hooks game in the spring, but no specific date has been set at this point.

5th Grade Choir

Members are invited to sing for the school board honoring Mr. Gilbert Cortinas on Thursday, January 12th. Those students who are volunteering to sing need to continue coming to choir on both Tuesdays and Wednesdays until then. We will meet at **7:20 a.m.**

UIL Music Memory

We will continue to meet every Monday from 3:30-4:15 until the UIL meet on March 4th, 2017. The meet will be held in Flour Bluff.

2nd Grade Winter Concert

The 2nd grade will provide the entertainment following the January 24th PTO meeting. The PTO meeting begins at 6:00 PM. The students will need to meet in the Music Room at 5:55 PM. They will need to wear their class shirts and blue jeans.

4th Grade Recorders

Fourth graders will continue to check off recorder selections through January. Remember that they can practice their pieces with online music through our music adoption. The site is www.musicplayonline.com. The user name is gregory st and the password is 0923.

SAFETY PATROL

A big thank you to our safety patrol students, who help with our dismissal procedures each afternoon. These students are doing an excellent job and are becoming very safety conscious as they escort our car riders to their vehicles for pickup. We appreciate all their hard work, and the efforts of the parents who adjust their schedules every day to allow these students to learn responsibility and safety procedures.

THANK YOU!!!

P.E. NEWS

from

Vicki Krebs, P.E. teacher

Just a reminder: Students should wear appropriate clothing for P.E. Tennis shoes are required and girls must wear shorts under their dresses or skirts. pen-toed or open-heeled shoes are not acceptable.

NOTE: All jackets (and other clothing) left in the lost and found will be donated at the end of January. Please look in the lost and found container that is outside the office to check for any lost clothing items before then.

Thank you for your cooperation!



Nursing Station

HEALTHY REMINDER

I hope your holidays were safe and that you found some time to relax. Just a reminder : If your child brought home a Vision, Hearing or Acanthosis notice (referral), and you have taken your child to the doctor or other medical specialist, please send me the paperwork that they completed at the time of the visit. Routine yearly screening is required for Kinder, 1st, 3rd and 5th grades, and has been completed for this year.

Sonia Marquez, R.N.

From the Box Top Counters – Total Box Tops for December

The class winners are as follows: Way to go!

Kinder - Ochoa

1st - Dendy

2nd - Garcia

3rd - Pyles

4th - Wiatrek

5th - Coleman

Suggestion: Don't hold on to your Box Tops....send them in! We are still losing some each month due to expiration dates. So don't hold on to them, get them in. Also, check out the Box Tops for Education website for opportunities to earn more Box Tops for the school given away each month.

Go to boxtops4education.com for more info and... keep clipping those Box Tops!!!

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