

February 2024

Paw Print

Together, We Grow at Coronado Elementary



ROCK STAR WINNERS!



A Note from the Principal

Coronado Families,

It has been a great start to this semester. I know we all look forward to the months and activities that are coming up. Please make sure that you are signed up to receive the emails that get sent out by myself or the district office. We look forward to seeing everyone at conferences!

Tyler Burnett

Principal, Coronado Elementary

COUNSELOR

All of us have unique gifts and abilities. The challenge for each of us is to work on our special gifts and try to improve. This can involve working on a hobby, learning to play an instrument, playing a sport, or taking a class. Share with your student what you believe your unique talent is, how you developed that talent, and how you are currently using the talent.

Also, talk with your child about their favorite singer, actor, sports star, or other role model. Talk about what they had to do in order to reach their goals. For many, they are successful because they worked for their goals and didn't give up. Ask your child what his or her dreams are and talk about things they can do right now to make that happen. It might mean joining a soccer team instead of always playing video games.

If your child's goal requires a college education, you can stress the importance of trying their hardest at school every day so they can qualify down the road. It also might mean you can support their goals during quality family time; ask your son or daughter who wants to be a singer to put on a concert for aunts, uncles, and grandparents.

Showing you care about their dreams is a great way to encourage your children to go after them!

Shirley Luce,
School Counselor

ART

We are back in the swing of things in the art room. Creative minds are coming up with lots of ideas.

First grade will begin with a lesson on the artist, Matisse, and create a collage. They will learn the difference between geometric and organic shapes. Second grade will design a vase full of flowers, using positive and negative space. Once those are complete, both grades will be introduced to folk artist, Heather Galler.

Oil pastels and water colors will be used in Galler style to paint bouquets. Third through Fifth grades will also be learning about Heather Galler. Students will incorporate wax resist as they paint Landscapes. Bright colors and patterns will be used to create beautiful folk art masterpieces!



Nurse News


The fun of the holidays is over and now we are left with cold, dreary, short days. Beat the winter “blahs” by making sure you and your family stay active! It is still important to get in 60 minutes of physical activity each day, even when it’s too cold to be outside.

It is also easy to fall into bad habits this time of year. Be sure you are still eating healthy and limiting sweets and high-calorie “comfort foods.” It’s ok to treat yourself from time to time, but don’t overdo it. Screen time limits are important to keep track of when you are spending less time outdoors.

Please remember to dress your student appropriately for the weather! If the wind chill creeps above freezing, we will be outside for recess. The fresh air is good for us!

Music

Please click the link to access the Music Newsletter! <https://www.smores.com/gaj71>



Parent Teacher Conferences
February 7 and 8
No School February 9

Science/Social Studies

For the month of February we are learning about some interesting topics with fun, hands-on learning in Science, Critical Thinking and Social Studies.

Science:

Kindergarten–Weather and Climate: What will the weather be like on your birthday? Why do birds lay eggs in the spring? **First**–Space Systems: How do they make silly sounds on cartoons? Introduction to sound, Listen for that sound! What if there were no windows? Introduction to light. **Second** – Matter & Forces: Can you fry an egg on a hot sidewalk? Why are so many toys made out of plastic? What materials might be invented in the future? Could you build a house out of paper? How do you build a city out of mud? **Third** – Weather & Climate/Matter & Forces: How can you keep a house from blowing away in a windstorm? How could you win a tug-of-war against adults? What makes bridges so strong? **Fourth** – Earth Systems/Energy & Matter: Natural resources/fossil fuels how is your body similar to a car? What makes roller coasters go so fast? How can marbles save the world? Can you build a chain reaction machine? **Fifth** – Earth and Space Systems: Water quality and distribution, how fast does the earth spin? Who set the first clock? How can the sun tell you the season? Why do the stars change with the season? Why does the moon change shape?

Critical Thinking/Social Studies:

Kindergarten & First:

They will use deductive reasoning skills to solve critical thinking and logic puzzles.

They are viewing short videos allowing them to use their critical thinking skills. They talk about how the characters are feeling, problem-solving, and how they would deal with different situations that arise.

Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth:

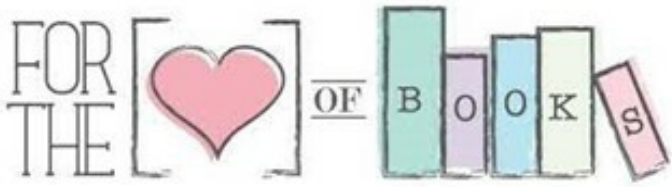
- Learning how to connect the dots between ideas or concepts
- Solving problems
- Thinking creatively
- Applying knowledge in new ways

Students will view a photograph: Social Studies or Science related and think about and answer the following questions:

- What is going on in this picture?
- What do you see that makes you say that?
- What more can you find?

Based on personal reflection and understanding, these skills assist students in determining how to understand the world around them.

The students are also having fun with critical thinking puzzles and games as well as logic puzzles. They will be working on “Cracking the Case” where they will use inferences and problem solving skills.



welcome
to the LIBRARY

5 Reasons to LOVE Reading

- 1. Reduces Stress and Helps you relax:** Just letting yourself get lost in a good book is the greatest escape from the worries and stresses of the everyday world. A 2009 study at the University of Sussex showed that stress is reduced up to 68% just by reading! So, when you feel stress just grab a book and be engrossed in the story lines and allow your mind and body to relax.
- 2. Improves your concentration and memory:** Not only should we do physical exercise to be healthy, we also need to do some mental exercise that will push our memory and focus to the limits. Reading is the best mental exercise for us, and you have to remember different characters, settings, plots, twists, and connections. This will strengthen your memory and concentration because all of your attention is focused on the story.
- 3. Vocabulary expansion and strengthens your writing abilities:** Reading a well-written book will expose you to more words, and this will help you be a better communicator. Rather than just saying that you are sad or not in the mood to people, you can say you're anxious, tired, irritated, frustrated, or weary. Because even though all those words can be described as sad, each needs a different solution. Increasing your vocabulary, communication skills, and being exposed to different writing styles will help improve your writing skills.
- 4. Enhances your knowledge:** When you read recipes, magazines, newspapers, articles, or books, your head will be filled with information. We never know when it will be useful, but having all this information might come in handy in the future.
- 5. Increases your imagination and creativity:** Reading sparks imagination and creativity, being immersed in a new world and characters. This will nurture your brain to develop ideas, possibilities, understanding, and be more open to hearing the opinions of others.

Source: <https://juniorlearning.com/blogs/news/5-benefits-of-reading>

FEBRUARY BOOK CHALLENGE:

Take a paper from the library basket and make/decorate a heart. On the heart, write the title of a book that you love to read and don't forget your name on the back of the heart. Maybe the decoration on your heart could relate to the book you love. Can we fill the library windows with hearts and provide some lovely book recommendation for other Coronado Readers and Future Leaders?!?!

Learn to play
Guitar!
or **Ukulele!**



Learn to play
Piano!



**Kids &
Adults!**

Learn to
**Sing
Better!**



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**IN THE
SPOTLIGHT**

KINDER

WE WANT TO SHOWCASE ALL THE AMAZING THINGS OUR CORONADO STUDENTS ARE DOING OUTSIDE OF THE SCHOOL. PLEASE SUBMIT A PHOTO OR SMALL DRAWING OF YOUR STUDENT DOING SOMETHING THEY LOVE. SHARE A SHORT BLURB ABOUT WHAT THEY ARE DOING! PHOTOS WILL BE SHARED ON A BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MAIN ENTRANCE!

**Scan the QR Code or go to this site:
<https://formfacade.com/sm/P1WpK1hkC>**



February Calendar

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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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25	26	27	28	29		

1-Fourth Grade Concert 6:00 p.m.

2-Rock Rally @ 2:30 p.m.

6-PTO 6:00 p.m.

7-9-Parent Teacher Conferences

8-12-No School



14-Valentine Parties; Fourth Grade: 1:55 p.m, All other grades 2:45 p.m.

20-Site Council 11:00 a.m.

29-Third Grade Concert 6:00 p.m.

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