

Administrator's Report

March 22, 2018

Activities:

- Alicia St. Clair is back in the Blue Jays classroom. It has been a surprisingly smooth transition and parents have expressed their happiness with her return. The classroom has been incredibly calm and engaging each time I have visited.
- We threw a "Thank You" party for Wendy today that included a lot of delicious food. We are truly grateful for all she does for our school and are grateful she is continuing on as our fiscal manager.
- The real estate caravan is coming tomorrow at 9:10 AM. I have already purchased a spread of baked goods and will have a freshly brewed pot of coffee ready for them. Brochures with my business card attached have been organized to be given to each realtor.
- The PMC Clubhouse now has our brochures in the welcome packets to provide to new residents.
- Teacher evaluations are being scheduled for the week following spring break and will be completed by 4/15/18.
- We had a fourth grader, Mia Willson and a recent graduate Elizabeth Burket-Thoene place first in the Kern County Science Fair. A newspaper article about the event was printed in the paper.
- CAASPP Testing Window is set for 4/23-6/1/18.
- Though it isn't a firm date, the new best guess for internet is June 30th. As such, we are in need of paper testing for the majority of smarter balanced testing. I was able to get approval to be the only CA state school to be approved for the paper tests for math and ELA this year.
- We will complete the CA science tests (CAST) on the computer as it only impacts our 5th and 8th grades.
- Also regarding CAASPP, there was an identified need for teachers to be doing interim testing. At this point, we will be doing it informally due to the internet issues, though CAST practice tests will start after spring break to gauge internet capacity.
- The after school program students worked with Dionne Bolton to submit photos for the photography contest which will be held this Saturday March 24th at the Frazier Park Library.
- Focus Central has reached out and offered free salary for another after school staff person. They are recommending our very own Shanene Laudenberg. It is being discussed whether she could work with Mary Ann or has to be on a separate day to be funded. Would the board be accepting of this offer?
- One IEP meeting and school-wide ILP meetings were held the week of March 12.
- March Life Skills are "Pride and Responsibility." I will be handing out awards after spring break.
- On Tuesday we had an El Dorado SELPA Training "Creating a Positive School Climate"
- I have coordinated a "Google Drive" professional development for Tuesday April 24. It is being sponsored by Focus Central and will help facilitate the technology component of common core. It will also marry well with the Google Classroom training that Ann Coyle and Elaine Salmon are doing.
- Shanene Laudenberg is teaching sign language in the Quail classroom on Wednesdays.
- Grace Phillips and Amy Noall have expressed their desire to return next year.
- New play for end of the year program: Social Skills: How to Interact with Human Beings.
- The Barton Reading program was started this year and is expanding to include more RSP students with reading challenges. It has been so successful, I would like to see it expanded possibly for next year.
- Social Studies/History new CCSS to be supported of a "Studies Weekly" publication that will provide students a weekly newsletter highlighting different standards and is grade specific.
- Rob and two contractors referred to us by Michelle came out to evaluate the leaking of the Hummingbird and Quail classrooms. I am eagerly awaiting a bid so that we can start repairs.

Upcoming Events:

March 26- April 2 is Spring Break.

April Life Skills are Friendship and Sense of Humor.

April 6: Cardiothon

April 11: Teacher Meeting

April 16-20: Camp Keep

April 23: CAST Virtual Workshop 8:30-3:30

April 30-May 11: Battle of the Books

Research:

Roofing Repairs

Grants to Expand Barton Reading Program