

The Paw Print



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Principal Message

Mr. Michael Ota

Happy New Year! We wish all of our families a prosperous new year and to continue to set high goals and expectations for the 2019 year. Looking back and reflecting the first semester, we have had a busy year challenging our students to be prepared for the 21st Century. Classrooms have been filled with student collaborative conversation and using academic vocabulary while speaking and listening in class. Speaking and Listening activities increase student cognitive thinking for writing. We also encourage students to continue to read. We kicked off the 2019 school year with The Fresno Grizzlies coming to Biola to encourage reading. Our school is taking part in the Wild About Reading contest. Students are encouraged to read 10 books by February 20 and each student will be entered in drawing to win free prizes. Encourage your children to enjoy reading for life.. Have a Happy 2019 and I encourage all families to take active part in our busy schedule here at Biola-Pershing Elementary. Remember to visit our website or contact me by email, phone, or visit for more information or questions regarding our activity at school

Congratulation

Congratulations to our Guidance Instructional Advisor, Mr. Martinez. He and his girlfriend had a beautiful baby girl on November 19, 2018. Her name is Pelia Ricky Martinez. Congratulations to your new addition to the family.

Community

Congratulations to our PTA for hosting the community Tree Lighting Ceremony. For the second time the PTA sponsored a wonderful event which involved the entire community. The annual Tree Lighting Ceremony along with student performances was a festive time. Thank you to Jessica Elorza along with her committee to leading this festive event. For our families and community.

PTA

Our new elected PTA has been busy planning activities for our school community to enjoy. Thank you to our new elected PTA board for volunteering their time to bring joy to our campus:

- President: Jennifer Duarte
- Vice President: Maria Sanchez
- Secretary: Sandra Gamez
- Treasurer: Cindy Escandon
- Publicity Spanish: Lupe Chavez
- Publicity English: Theresa Ota
- Classroom Rep: Linda Jackson

JAG Four

Our Biola children are blessed to be part of a community that is built around character traits everyday. Every morning parents send their children to school by fulfilling responsible and civil individuals. Every morning we remind our students to carry those lessons onto our campus to create an environment that is caring and respectful. Jag Four at home, in the classroom, on the playground and at the cafeteria. Character Counts

Title I

Biola-Pershing Elementary is a Title I school. We will continue follow the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) to provide services for our families. We along with the 56,000 schools across the nation provide services for our children who are at risk of failing. Currently, we service our children with Reading tutorials. Afterschool enrichment programs, District Summer programs. And funding for positive academic events for children to experience. Thank you Yanet Paniagua for assisting our parents for services.

Music Perform

Thank you parents for your attendance with our Winter Music Performance. You were able to view the work that our teachers have accomplished outside or our academic environment. The Arts are very important to our children and allows individualism. Thank you Mr. Helmick and Mr. Lucian for your leadership in this area.

Academic Award

Mark your calendar for the First Semester Academic Achievement Award Assembly on January 25, 2019. Throughout the year we set goals for English Language Arts and Math. This event will celebrate the achievements of your honored children in the area of Mathematics, English Language Arts, English Learner Proficiency, and Honor Roll. The Assembly begins at 9:00AM for grades3-6.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Return from Winter Break 1/14

Minimum Day 1/16

Children Story time @ 8:45AM 1/17

Band Field Trip to Glacier Point 1/17

Student of the Month @ 10:35 1/18

Martin Luther King observance 1/21

PTA Meeting @ 6:00PM 1/22

Minimum Day 1/23

6th Grade Orientation @ G.P. 1/23

Children Story time @ 8:45AM 1/24

Peach Blossom at P.A.C. @ 9:30AM 1/24

Wrestling vs Roosevelt @ 2:45PM 1/24

Academic Awards Assembly 9:00AM 1/25

Report Cards sent home 1/25

ASP Parent Paint Night @ 6:30PM 1/25

District Wrestling Tournament 1/26

Wrestling Award Banquet @ 6:00PM 1/28

District Cheer Competition 1/28

Parent Coffee Hour @ 8:30 1/29

Minimum Day 1/30

Children Story time @ 8:45AM 1/31