

The Paw Print



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Wrestling Tournament @ El Capitan Middle School	12/1
Reading Hearts Assembly @9:00A	12/4
GATE Clsss @ 10:30AM	12/4
Story time @ 8:45AM	12/6
Healthy Smiles Mobile Clinic @ 9:30AM	12/6
Student of the Month Assembly @10:35AM	12/7
Wrestling at H.B. @ 2:45PM	12/7
PTA Tree Lighting in Biola Town @ 6:00PM	12/7
VAPA Fieldtrip at Glacier Point @ 9AM	12/10
Holiday Joy at God's Church	12/15
Parent Coffee Hour @ 8:35AM	12/18
ELAC Meeting @ 9:30AM	12/20
School Site Council Meeting @ 3:30PM	12/20
Wrestling at Madison Elementary @2:45PM	12/20
Winter Music Performance @ 6:00PM	12/20
Breakfast with Santa @ 7:45AM	12/21
Winter Holiday no school return on January 7, 2019	12/24

Principal Message

Mr. Michael Ota

The month of December has approached us and the holiday season is here. I would like to wish all the families to enjoy a safe and wonderful holiday. During the holiday please encourage your children to continue read and practice their math facts. During this time of reflection with family and friends allows us to be thankful for what we have. We have many exciting and new activities when we return in 2019. I cannot wait to get back. If you have any questions or need any suggestions for your children, please feel free to contact me at the school or email me at Michaelota@centralusd.k12.ca.us.

Have a Happy Holiday!

Biola PTA

This year the Biola Parent Teacher Association will sponsor the Biola Community Tree Lighting Ceremony. The event will take place on Friday December 7. The ceremony will begin at 6:00PM to 8:00PM. Come out and enjoy the festivities at Biola and G Street. The Biola Elementary students spent time decorating the tree with handmade ornaments, tree lighting will take place at 7:00PM, the Biola String Orchestra will perform, Tamales and hot chocolate will be for sale. See you there! Thank you Jessica Elorza for being the Chairperson on this event

GATE students

Referral for testing and evaluation for the Gifted and Talented Education is still available for parents, teachers, or staff to refer kids for GATE. Please see your child's teacher for information on GATE assessment.

Title I

Biola-Pershing Elementary is a Title I school. We will continue to provide services for parents and families to provide academic support and learning opportunities to help our children to master curricula and meet common Core State Standards. Currently, we offer after school reading tutorial on Tuesday and Thursdays from 3:30PM to 4:00PM. Please contact Mr. Ota for further questions on our tutorials

Athletics

It is with great pleasure to introduce our new Wrestling coach. Mr. Jaime Montoya was a champion wrestler at Kerman High School when I coached him in high school. The wrestling team is currently undefeated by beating Steinbeck Elementary School. Our team is young, but eager to compete. Our team is lead by 6th graders Jorja Hernandez and Jacob Garza. 5th grade Jesus Carbajal has high expectations to compete. We have a lot of 4th grade students who have potential for a promising season for Biola. We are very fortunate to wrestle at the Biola Community Center.

Holiday Joy

On Monday December 3rd we kicked off our annual Holiday Joy canned food drive. Each class will take in canned food to help with needy families. Biola students will also take a bus to God's Family Church on Shaw. We will depart from Biola at 8:00AM and return to Biola at 11:00AM on Saturday December 15th. If you are interested in having your 4th to 6th grade child take part in this activity please contact the school.

Attendance

Attendance plays an important role in your child's success in education. We understand that a child is sick and may need to stay home, but please contact the school attendance clerk to report the absent by 72 hours. This is a state mandate and if a call does not take place a truant absent will be marked for attendance.

Music Perform

Our Performing Arts and students have been preparing for the Winter Music Performance on Thursday December 20th Kindergarten-3rd grade will perform at 6:00PM-6:30PM Band, 4th Grade - 6th Grade, Choir will perform 6:45PM-7:30PM. Classroom teachers will send out final notices home with your child

Academic Award

Mark your calendar for the First Semester Academic Achievement Award Assembly on January 25, 2019.