

COUGAR CONNECTION

CLARA J. KING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

November, 2018

Mark Your Calendar!

Report Cards sent home with students

November 16

Thanksgiving Break

November 19-23

Flag Ceremony

November 30, 8:15 a.m.

PTA Board Meeting

December 6, 5:30 p.m.

Winter Showcase

December 14, 6:00 p.m.

PTA Association Meeting

December 20, 5:30 p.m.

Winter Break

December 24-Jan 4

Have Questions?

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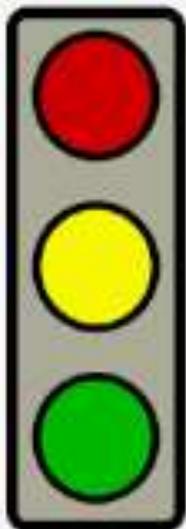
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Principal's Message

Has your child told you about being the PATHS Kid of the Day? PATHS (Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies) promotes peaceful conflict resolution, emotion regulation, empathy, and responsible decision making. All students at King School participate in a PATHS lesson each week with one student chosen from each classroom as the PATHS Kid of the Day.

After looking at several social-emotional curriculums, King teachers determined that students would benefit from a research-based program that would help them improve conflict resolution, empathy, and emotional regulation strategies. PATHS lessons help students identify their emotions and manage them in a positive way. Students learn strategies that promote peaceful conflict resolution, empathy, and responsible decision-making. The program has age-appropriate lessons for transitional kindergarten through sixth grade. Teachers report that students have been applying what they have learned during lessons to help them monitor their feelings and have been using more appropriate ways to address situations that arise during the school day. Additionally, parents receive a monthly correspondence that highlights the lesson focus for the month and provides ways they can support the learning at school

When students feel upset, they are encouraged to follow the control signals that are posted in every classroom:



STOP- Take one long, deep breath. Say the problem and how you feel

MAKE A PLAN- Think, What could I do? Would it work?

GO- Try your best idea. How did it work?



Aarna A. enjoys being selected as PATHS Kid of the Day! Classmates give compliments to the Kid of the Day and the PATHS Kid brings the compliment list home to share with family members and receive compliments from family members as well!

Reporting Student Progress

Our goal is to help all students achieve academic success. Our dedicated teachers assess student work on a regular basis and report to our parents three times per year in our Trimester Progress Reports regarding student progress.

On November 16, your child will bring home the first Trimester Report to Parents and a Reporting Trimester Progress in ELA brochure. Within the brochure, you will find an overview showing the areas in which your child will be assessed, the grade level standards (academic expectations) and the tools the teacher may use to monitor your child's progress toward meeting standards.

Please remember that learning is a journey that requires children to feel supported and encouraged. If your child is not meeting standards in any area, we want to work with you, our family partners, to help your student make progress.

For additional information and our Reporting Student Progress Frequently Asked Questions for Parents, please visit our website:

<https://tinyurl.com/y95gam8l>

Save the Date!

Winter Showcase

Talent Show

Friday, December 14, 2018

6:00 p.m.

A Season of Giving at King School

King School's Student Advisory Committee was created to give the student body a voice at school and an opportunity to participate in decision making and planning events and activities at school. Students on the committee also focus on being contributors at school as well as the community at large. Each month the Committee randomly selects a classroom to provide a random act of kindness. Students have reported that they get a tremendous sense of fulfillment when they give to others, and they look forward to providing service to other each month! This month students from King School's Student Advisory Committee began a campaign to support a local food bank during the holidays. King students were challenged with collecting 500 boxes of macaroni and cheese to add to food baskets over the holiday.



Student Advisors are on a mission to collect more than 500 boxes of macaroni and cheese!