

Alexander Bulldog Bark January 2017 Newsletter



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NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I hope everyone had a wonderful winter holiday. I believe that 2017 will be a great year here at Alexander. As we begin the second semester, I want to encourage everyone to **READ**. Parents, please read with your children daily. Reading is a life skill that every child must have. Let's work together to make this a reality for all of our children.

Report Cards will be going home on January 9th. Award days will be January 10th and January 11th. Please look for the invitation in your child's report card. We look forward to seeing lots of parents then.

TARDY AND ATTENDANCE POLICIES

Students who arrive at school after 8:45 and before 11:30 will be considered tardy. Students who arrive at 11:30 and after will be considered absent 1/2 day. Our school computing system will calculate the minutes late and the minutes checked out early. When the minutes add up to a half day or whole day it will be noted on your child's report card. Please send a note with every absence.

Hand written or doctor's notes will be considered excused absences.



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January

Students of the Month

Pre-K

Jayden Milsap

Kindergarten

Carlos Herrera

1st Grade

Gabriel Nichols

2nd Grade

Allison Paz

3rd Grade

Alicia Aguilar

4th Grade

Julio Nieto

5th Grade

Antonio Castellanos



JOIN US IN CONGRATULATING

FERNANDO GOMEZ



A.C. ALEXANDER'S 5TH GRADE STUDENT OF THE YEAR!

WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!



\$10 NAVY BLUE ZIPPER HOODIES FOR SALE!!

Now that the cold weather is approaching, we are selling navy blue jackets that comply with our Alexander Uniform Policy.

The navy blue hoodies with a zipper and pockets cost only \$10 each!

We are very excited to be able to offer this affordable price!

Jackets can be purchased by filling out the order form attached and returning it to school with payment in an envelope marked

"Navy Jacket" on the front.

CASH ONLY! SEND IN ONLY EXACT CHANGE PLEASE!

Teacher of the Month
Shantreal Toliver
Employee of the Month
June Glenn



CLASSROOM NEWS



PRE-K - Pre-K will be learning all about Winter! We will learn about animal hibernation, what happens to plants during the cold months, and making snowman crafts! Keep working with your child at home on letters and counting.

KINDERGARTEN - Kindergartners will continue to learn letters, sounds, and words. Please read Saxon Phonics stories with your child. In Math we are learning addition and subtraction sentences. Please review study sheet and complete homework nightly.

1ST GRADE -The First Graders are so excited to be half way through the school year! They are working hard to be ready for Second Grade. We are learning how to sound out words, write paragraphs, and perfecting our spelling. We are reading our library books and taking AR tests so we can have lots of chances to win a bike at the end of the year. In Math we are working on place value, comparing and ordering numbers to 100, and balancing equations. We are also reviewing coins and fact families.

2nd GRADE - We hope that everyone had a restful winter break. We are excited to be back at school to start the second half of our 2nd Grade Year! As the weather is getting colder, please be sure that you label your child's jackets and sweaters to minimize the risk of losing them. Also, now is the time supplies are starting to run low. Please be sure to talk with your child about anything they may be in need of and replenish it. We will begin reading our chapter book, Flat Stanley, in class. Be on the lookout for Flat Stanley assignments that will be sent home. Thank you for your continued support.

3rd GRADE- We will be finishing up our math topic on fractions in January. In ELA, we will start our unit on the solar system. Students will be starting and working on completing a research report on a planet. We will learn about state and federal government in Social Studies. In Science we will be starting our unit on plants and animals.

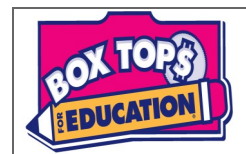
4th GRADE-In reading we will continue to work on extended response questions using text evidence. In math we will begin working with fractions. Please make sure your child has memorized their multiplication facts. During science we will begin working with simple machines and motion, and in S.S. we will continue with the southeast US and practice document based questions.

5th GRADE - Happy New Year! This month the 5th graders are studying the early settlements in America in social studies, ecosystems in science, adding and subtracting fractions in math, and finishing The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.

PTO



P.T.O will resume selling snacks on Friday, January 6th. Remember every Friday is Snack Day. Thank you to the parent volunteers who assist us when we sell snacks to our students. We are always looking for more volunteers. Remember to turn in your box top sheets!



Parents please sign _____ and send to school for your child to receive a Bonus Bone!!! Child's Name: _____



January

- 4 Welcome back! Students return to school.
- 9 Report Cards Go Home
- 10 Award Ceremonies 2nd (1:30 p.m.) & 1st (2:15 p.m.)
- 11 Award Ceremonies 5th (1:30 p.m.), 3rd (2:00 p.m.), 4th (2:30 p.m.)
- 12 Class Pictures
- 16 MLK Holiday - NO SCHOOL
- 25 JPPSS Late Take-In Day for students
- 29 PBIS Reward A/B Conduct for January-wear pajamas and tennis shoes
(Pajamas must be appropriate for school wear.)



LIBRARY NEWS

Congratulations to Yarismar Umana and Adriel Hernandez for winning bicycles in our AR Reading Rewards program and to Jennifer Thai and Ethan Fernandez for being the top readers! All prizes are provided by the Dawnbusters Kiwanis Club. They will be giving away more prizes at the end of the school year so please have your children keep reading and taking AR quizzes. Our December Book Fair was a huge success! Thanks to all the students, parents, and teachers who supported it.



Other Information

Starting in February, we will be accepting orders for our Alexander Year Book. Look for the order form.

Alexander does not allow classroom birthday parties. Also, invitations for parties may NOT be handed out at school unless all students in the class are invited.

Label all sweaters, sweatshirts, jackets, school bags, lunch kits, etc. with permanent identification. We would like to get these things back to the children when they are left at school. The unidentified & unclaimed items are donated to Good Will.

There were no Asbestos leaks reported during the month of December 2016.

