

# Dry Creek Elementary Panther Express

**This Week @ DC - Dec. 11 - Dec. 15, 2017**



## COOK'S CORNER








Four times a school year, Mrs. Henderson and I meet with upper grade students that form what we call the Principal's Advisory Council (PAC). The PAC is comprised of students from multicultural backgrounds and each upper grade classroom. We often talk about a variety of school related issues in which I seek input on school culture, overall climate, student/student relations, student/teacher relations, and other important ongoing issues that students wish to bring to my attention. I ultimately see this group as a body of students to provide feedback in ensuring all students are welcome and cared for. So far, the results from the group have been extremely positive, but we know there is always room for improvement. I will often bring the results or make comment to our staff about what our students are saying or feeling on the campus.

In early 2018, I'd like to invite you to consider joining the newly developed Parent PAC. We will discuss many of the same topics our students engage in during student PAC, but we also will discuss additional topics that will support Dry Creek in continuing to be a special place for ALL students. I hope you consider participating in the new group and look out for an invitation in an upcoming Panther Express!

Mr. Cook

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 12/21 *Winter Sports Pictures*  
*DC @ Woods*
- 12/25-1/8 *WINTER BREAK*
- 1/8 *Staff Development Day*
- 12/12 *Winter Programs*
- 12/13 & 15 *Elementary Cheer Camp*
- 12/15 *Century @ DC*
- 12/21 *Winter Sports Pics*
- 1/08 *NO SCHOOL/*  
*Staff Development Day*
- 1/09 *Back to School*
- 1/12 *Cole @ DC*
- 1/15 *NO SCHOOL/King Day*
- 1/16 *Kindergarten Awards*
- 1/19 *End of Semester*  
*DC @ Tarpey*
- 1/22 *Primary Awards*

MONDAY, 12/18	TUESDAY, 12/19	WEDNESDAY, 12/20	THURSDAY, 12/21	FRIDAY, 12/22
 <p>Winter Sports Practice 3:15-4:20</p>	<p><b>6th Grade Great American Cookie Dough Fund Raiser Pick-up Old MPR 2:00-6:00 pm</b></p>  <p>Winter Sports Practice 3:15-4:20</p>	 <p><b>Wacky Sweater Day</b></p>  <p>Character Counts Day</p> <p><b>Early Release</b> AM K 8:15-10:55 PM K 11:05-1:45 Gr. 1-6 8:25-1:45</p>	 <p>2:00 B&amp;C Teams 2:00 JV Wrestling 3:00 A Teams</p>	 <p><b>Holiday Hat Day</b></p>  <p><b>All Kindergarten In the morning Gingerbread House Making 8:30</b></p> <p><b>No Sports Practice</b></p>
Pepperoni Pizza Pocket Bean & Cheese Burrito	Turkey Gravy Chicken Drumstick	Cheese-Filled Breadsticks Chicken Patty Sandwich	Orange Chicken Rice Bowl Chicken Tenders	Cheese & Chicken Tamale Beef & Bean Burrito

## 6TH GR. FUND RAISER PICK-UP IS TUESDAY

Thank you for a successful fundraiser for the sixth grade students. The profit from the sales go directly to each student participant's personal Sonora Account.

The Great American Cookie Dough & Gift items are on their way to Dry Creek.

Please plan to pick up your student's orders on

**Tuesday, December 19th  
2:00-6:00 in the Old MPR**

Any questions please contact Debra @ 349-3028 or Danya @ 619-746-5762.

## HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSING

Our office will be closed  
Monday, December 25th through  
Monday, January 8th.

We will reopen on Tuesday, January 9th.  
**We wish you a safe and joy-filled Holiday Season!**

## ARE YOU MOVING?

Just a reminder that if you are moving over the holidays, you will need to call the office to let us know. You can either leave a message on our answering machine or call us when we return in January. Let's keep in touch!

## SPORTS AND RECREATION

### Spring Girls Softball League

Girls 4yrs. thru 14 yrs.

Where: All practice/games played at Clovis Schools

Cost: \$140.00 per player(\$160.00 after February 10, 2018)

When: Practice begins week of March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Games begin week of April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

Divisions: 6U (Monday & Saturday)

8U (Tuesday & Saturday)

10U (Wednesday & Saturday)

12U (Thursday & Saturday)

14U (Monday & Saturday)

### Spring Boy's Baseball League

Boys 4 yrs. thru 8 yrs.

Where: All practice/games played at Clovis Schools

Cost: \$140.00 per player(\$160.00 after February 10, 2018)

When: Practice begins week of March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Games begin week of April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

Divisions: 5U (Monday & Saturday)

6U (Tuesday & Saturday)

7U (Wednesday & Saturday)

8U (Thursday & Saturday)

### 2018 Spring T-Ball League

Boys & Girls 3 to 6 yrs.

When: Week of April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Option 1                      Option 2

Cost \$75.00                      Cost \$95.00

(\$95.00 after March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018) (\$115.00 after March)

Jefferson Elem.

Dry Creek Elem.

Mon. OR Tues.

Mon., Tues., Wed., OR Thurs.

OR

All games are on 6 Saturdays

Maple Creek Elem.

following practice night

Wed. OR Thurs.

between 8:00am & 12:00pm

### Clovis Kickers Spring League 2018

Boys & Girls 3 to 6 yrs.

Where: Community Day School

Cost: \$95.00 (\$115.00 after February 24, 2018)

When: Saturdays

Divisions:

3U & 4Uyears

5U & 6U years

9:00am or 11:30am

10:15am or 12:45pm

Register/pay online at [www.clovisrec.com](http://www.clovisrec.com). Find under Spring Sports.

If you have any further questions please call 327-9225.

## PLEASE HELP KEEP OUR CAMPUS SAFE

The Parent Pickup Area is located in the parking lot on Nees Avenue.

**All students in Grades 1-6 should be dropped off/picked up in that area before/after school.** Supervision is provided before and after school.

-ONLY Kindergarten students can be picked up in front of the school or from the north parking lot. Please do not use this area unless you are picking up a K student.

-Honor the posted signs.

-If you park across the street from school, please do not ask your child to cross the street at mid-block to meet you. Cross at designated crosswalk only.

## ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Many assume that schools receive State funding for "sick" days rather than "vacation" days. In reality our school receives state funding ONLY when students are in their seats during a school day or an Independent Study Contract is completed and turned in. Student(s) must miss at least five, not more than 10 days of school before an Independent Study Contract can be completed. If you must take your student(s) out of school for vacation, at least one week prior to leaving, you can request an Independent Study contract. The completed packet must be turned in the day your child returns to school to receive full credit. For optimal learning please plan vacations during regular school vacation time.