

ROADRUNNER REVIEW

News and Highlights - Week of 12/12/2016



Dear Roadrunner Families:

The difference between a good school and a great school is parent support, and we have absolutely awesome parents! Our Food Drive was a huge success, and the **Giving Tree** is up and ready for your caring spirit. Please stop by the office to sponsor a child through the Giving Tree to ensure that every child has a gift to open this year. See Mrs. Villalobos to sign up. Wrapped gifts are due back to the office by Friday, December 16th and still have MANY students to sponsor.

Our orchestra and 5th grade band performed at the Clovis West Area concerts, and they were fantastic! I was so proud of the beautiful music they made as a result of many hours of practice! Thank you for supporting your students with practice time at home. Music is highly effective in developing the brain and mathematical skills, as well as being able to create pure enjoyment for everyone.

Congratulations to our Robotics team that finished in 11th place in the Fresno County tournament last Saturday: Talia Hovsepian, Mikayla Chavarria, Luke Hall, Julian Wheeler, and Ella Wheeler, and their coaches Elizabeth Chavarria and Saul Hovsepian. They worked together as a team to solve challenges, create a robot, and program it. They put in a lot of time with their parent-coaches and it paid off! If you would like to participate in Robotics with your child next year, please contact Mrs. McBrien in the LMC. She is already working to put together teams and coaches for next year. Robotics cannot happen without parent involvement, so plan ahead to have a fun and exciting experience with your student next fall!

Congratulations to Mrs. Kristin Ormond on her recognition as an educator who goes ABOVE AND BEYOND to serve the students of Nelson Elementary. The CRYSTAL AWARD is the highest honor bestowed by Clovis Unified in recognition of exemplary practices and selfless service to our students. We are proud to call her a Roadrunner! Mrs. Ormond will be honored at an awards presentation in February. All of her former students and families are invited to celebrate with us.

Roadrunners are shining bright during this sparkly time of year! Beep, Beep!

Kendra Matson, Principal, Nelson Elementary School
327-7600

Five Day Rule for Clearing Absence

In order for the District to determine the reason for a student absence, it is necessary for parents/guardians to contact the school site attendance office and clear the student absence. The parent/guardian should contact the school the day the student returns, and must contact the site within five days of the student's return to school following the student's absence. The parent/guardian must provide the site with a reason for the student's absence.

If the parent/guardian does not contact the school site to clear an absence within five days of the student's return to school, the absence will remain "un-cleared". An un-cleared absence is not considered an excused absence under education code section 48205. Therefore, un-cleared absences will be considered unexcused and could lead to a student receiving a Notification of Truancy letter in accordance with education code section 48260.5.

Winter Sports Schedule

B&C Teams 2:00 PM, Varsity Boys BB 2:15 PM,
Varsity Girls BB 3:15 PM, Wrestling 3:00 PM

December 2 - Nelson @Valley Oak

December 9 - Nelson @Pinedale

December 16 - Liberty @ Nelson

Thursday, December 22 - Nelson @ Maple Creek

January 13 - Mountain View @ Nelson

January 20 - Lincoln @ Nelson

Thursday, January 26 - Elementary Championships

January 27 - Cross Area Games - TBA

Upper Grade Lunch Schedule - Tuesdays/Thursdays

The lunch hour for Upper Grade students on Tuesdays and Thursdays will be from 12:10-1:00 PM. Students will eat at 12:10 and have recess after. Please do not take your students to lunch early on these days.

Clovis Kickers Soccer

Boy's and Girl's ~ 3 yrs. - 6 yrs.

Cost: \$ 90.00 (\$110 after January 19, 2017)

When: Practice/Games begin Saturday, January 21, 2017

Where: Clovis Community Day School

7 on 7 Flag Football

Boys & Girls 1st thru 8th Grade

Where: Garfield or Alta Sierra

Cost: \$90.00 (\$110 after January 4, 2017)

When: Sundays between 12:00 pm - 4:00 PM

Register: 8am-5pm Monday-Friday at Sports & Recreation

Dept. or download registration forms from website

Questions: Call 327-9225 or visit our website at

www.clovisrec.com



Clovis West Tennis Camp

Mondays and Wednesdays, Coach Castro holds a free Tennis clinic from 5:00-6:00 PM. There is no age restriction and sign up are not needed. Just arrive at 5:00 PM and enjoy learning the game of Tennis.

Clovis West Softball

Free Skills Clinic - November 16 & 30, 3pm-5pm
CW Varsity Diamond - reserve your spot by emailing
peggyrigby@cusd.com - forms in the office