



Rio Del Oro Elementary

Bulldog News

December 2019

Principal's Message

Greetings! Cold and wet mornings are knocking on our door! Please make sure your kiddos are dressed for the weather. We will do our best to remind students to pick up their jackets from the playground after each recess. However, if they don't come home with a jacket you sent them to school with, check the lost and found for their items. While giving to charity is always a great deed, we would prefer our students to be reunited with their belongings each day.

There are 3 weeks of school in December before we stop for our Winter Break. If you plan to miss 5 or more days, please see Ms. Tobie in the office for an Independent Study Application. We want to make sure that our students get credit for the work they complete when they are out!

This is going to be a great month and we are going to finish 2019 strong!

Mrs. Tiffany Steele
@RDOPrincipal



Success Skills

December Success Skills is Kindness: Kindness the quality of being friendly, generous, and considerate.

Questions for discussions at home:

1. What is kindness to you?
2. What ways do we show kindness at home?
3. What ways do you show kindness to your friends?



Curriculum HotSpot

What is this thing called a reading level? Through parent-teacher conferences, report cards, and discussions with your child's teacher, you may have heard about your child's reading level. At Rio, we use the Fountas and Pinnell A-Z reading levels that correlate with a child's grade level ability. This information supports teachers in properly providing reading intervention and support at your child's reading level.

You can also find books at your child's reading level to continue this support at home. Here are some [apps](#) that help you find the reading level of books you may have at home. However, keep in mind that not all books your child reads need to be at their level. You can also use the [P.I.C.K method discussed in this article](#).

F&P TEXT LEVEL GRADIENT™	
FOUNTAS & PINNELL LEVELS	GRADE-LEVEL GOALS
A	Kindergarten
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F	Grade One
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K	Grade Two
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P	Grade Three
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U	Grade Five
V	
W	
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Y	
Z	Grade Seven–Eight
Z+	

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See's Candy Fundraiser

Turn in all orders when we get back on Monday, December 2. Orders will be available for pick up from December 16-20. Parents need to come and pick up items as soon as possible.



Minimum Day- Monday, December 2!

A reminder that December 2, 2019 will be a Minimum Day. PLESD, Yuba County Sheriff's Department, and Linda Fire have been working together to continue to refine our School Safety Plans. All staff will be using our minimum day for school safety training.

Toy Drive

Bring in a new, unwrapped toy for a girl or boy that can be handed out this Holiday Season. Students will get a small trinket for each toy that they bring in. Toys will be picked up by Wednesday, December 18. Please help us spread some joy this time of year!



Winter Performances

Our Winter Performances will be held on 3 different nights. Some things to keep in mind:

- Doors will open 15-30 minutes before the performance start time.
- The auditorium will be emptied out and guests will be asked to leave the auditorium before the start of the 6:15 performance.

Thursday, Dec 12:	TK/K @ 5:15pm	1st @ 6:15pm
Tuesday, Dec 17:	2nd @ 5:15pm	3rd @ 6:15pm
Thursday, Dec 19:	4th @ 5:15pm	5th @ 6:15pm



The PTO will be serving hot cocoa and cookies after each performance in front of the office.

Movie Night

Mark your calendars! On Friday, December 13th, our third movie night of the year will be taking place from 6-8 pm in our multi-purpose room. Elementary school-aged children (TK-5) are welcome to attend without a parent present. **A parent must accompany any younger children, middle school, and even high school students.**

Admission for students, parents, and siblings is \$5 each. You will receive popcorn, a Capri Sun, and candy. Additional items (candy, pizza, and drinks) will be sold separately. All profits will benefit the 4th Grade trip to Coloma. We hope to see you there!

PTO Corner



No more clipping. No more sending Box Tops to school. All you need is your phone. Download the ALL-NEW [Box Tops app](#), shop as you normally would, then simply scan your receipt. It's that easy!



The PTO meets the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm in the library. All are welcome and we'd love to see you there. Come see what we're all about and how you can help.



Find us on [Facebook](#) for all of our most up to date information.

School Spirit Wear Store

Don't miss out on getting our Bulldog Wear! Not only do you get an amazing bulldog spirit wear item, but you also support our school when you buy from our spirit wear store! Go to www.riodelorospiritwear.com to customize your bulldog wear today!

Out of School?

No matter the reason for your child's absence, please communicate with Ms. Tobie so that we can work with you on clearing absences or making a plan to support your child while they are out. Simply call 530-749-0690 and press 1 for attendance or email Ms. Tobie @ tsmith@plUSD.org. Please keep in mind that our mornings are busy. If no one answers the phone, you are welcome to leave a message!



Super Saturday Enrichment

Does your child want **PERFECT ATTENDANCE** for the year but they have an absence? Sign up for Super Saturday Enrichment so that they can clear that absence and be in line for perfect attendance!

This month Super Saturday Enrichment is on December 14 from 8-12. You must sign up to register your child via our [Google Form](#). Space is limited.



REGISTER NOW

Birthday Wishes- Marquee



Our Birthday Marquee Fundraiser is available throughout the year. If you would like your child's birthday displayed on the Marquee, simply complete [this online form](#) and send in your payment to the front office or pay via PayPal.

Please note: All forms need to be in and paid for by Friday morning for the student's name to be showcased the following week. If you have any questions, please call the front office.

Shady Creek - 5th Grade Information

- If your child will need to take medication to Shady Creek, now is a great time to make an appointment with the doctor to complete the medical form!
- Payment Plan: The first payment for Shady Creek was due at the beginning of November.
- If you are in need of a scholarship for Shady Creek, complete the form asap and turn it into your teacher. [Shady Creek Info](#)

Anonymous Reporting

If you have an anonymous report concerning bullying, discrimination, a threat, or other concerns, please visit our webpage and click on Anonymous Reporting to complete a form that will be sent to the administration for review. [Click here](#) for more information about our anonymous reporting system.



Bulldog Car/Window Decal

We have a limited number of bulldog car/window decals available for purchase in the office for just \$1.00. Come to the office to get your new decal now!



Lunch Menu



Check out What's Cooking: Go to the [Nutrition Services](#) and click on this month's menu!

Spirit Wear Days

- ★ December 4th - Crazy Sock/Hair Day - find or make your craziest socks, and do your hair as wild as can be!

We have some fun [Spirit Wear Days](#) coming up. Don't miss out!



Calendar

Monday, December 2	Minimum Day Release @ 12:00pm
Wednesday, December 4	Crazy Sock/Hair Day
Friday, December 6	PAWS Assembly @ 1:50pm
Monday, December 9	Modified Monday Release @ 1:30pm
Thursday, December 12	TK/K Winter Performance @ 5:15pm 1st Winter Performance @ 6:15pm
Friday, December 13	Movie Night 6-8 pm
Saturday, December 14	Super Saturday Enrichment 8-12 pm
Monday, December 16	Modified Monday Release @ 1:30pm
Tuesday, December 17	2nd Winter Performance @ 5:15pm 3rd Winter Performance @ 6:15pm
Thursday, December 19	4th Winter Performance @ 5:15pm 5th Winter Performance @ 6:15pm
Friday, December 20	Minimum Day Release @ 12:00pm
December 23-January 10	Winter Break