### **Carson Elementary School**

# Cougar Connection

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# Principal's Message

This month we are talking about Creativity! The dictionary would tell us that the primary use of Creativity is to create something artistic, but the definition we are using is much bigger than that:

# Creativity: Using your imagination to create something or solve a problem.

Creativity is one of the most important skills for a better future because it is only by imagining new or improved solutions that it is possible to solve present problems. While more and more of the world becomes automated, Creativity is becoming one of the most sought after skills in the workplace because it helps us think beyond the box, innovate, and imagine a better way. We are born tremendously creative and, as we grow up, it is easy to "stop playing pretend" or exercising our imagination. This month encourages just the opposite! We must practice building the muscle of Creativity if we are going to use it to solve the big and little problems all around us. We will work together in new, unique ways. We will build things and break old patterns. We will CREATE and imagine the best version of ourselves and the world.



Principal, Carson Elementary

## **Important Dates**

#### Monday, December 6

Canned food drive begins!
 Bring non-perishable food
 item to your class for
 donation to our
 community. Please, no
 expired food.

#### Tuesday, December 7

• Bookmobile – New Day!

#### Wednesday, December 8

 Early Release, students dismissed at 12:40pm

#### Tuesday, December 14

Bookmobile – New Day!

#### Wednesday, December 15

 Early Release, students dismissed at 12:40pm

#### December 18 - January 2

 Winter Break Holiday, No School

#### Monday, January 3

 Return to school – Happy New Year!

#### Friday, January 7

Cougar Pride Shirt!

# **Around the School**

Dismissal Plans: Please make sure you call the office <u>before 2:20pm</u> if you need to communicate different end of the day plans with your child. Notes go to the classroom at this time.

#### **Masks**

The CDC says masks are one of the best protections, along with proper social distancing and hygiene, against COVID – especially for students too young to get the vaccine at this time. It is important to wear a good quality, 2-ply cloth mask, or medical mask, in order to see the best effects. Thin gators, respirator valves, and single ply cloth masks are far less effective – and will no longer be allowed at school. Keep our students healthy by providing a quality mask, or ask us for a free mask for them to wear.

#### **COVID Symptoms and Signs of Illness**

In order to keep everyone at school safe and healthy, it is important that those who are showing signs of illness, especially COVID symptoms, including fever, cough, vomiting, or loss of smell - **stay home and isolate**. Medical clearance may be needed in order to return to school.

#### **Handwashing & Sanitizing**

Students are regularly washing their hands or using sanitizer. This happens around recesses, meals, and when they change using different materials in the class.

#### **Social Distancing**

Keeping at least 3 feet of distance between students, while masked, is an important way to keep students healthy and safe. When students are eating we are careful to keep them six feet apart.

## **Just for Fun!**



# Cougar Café

#### Monday - December 6

Cereal

Orange

#### **Chicken Burger**

French Fries Fresh Apple

#### **Tuesday – December 7**

**Walking Taco** 

Fiesta Corn & Beans

#### **Walking Taco**

Fiesta Corn & Black Beans
Pinapple

#### Wednesday - December 8

**Strawberry Parfait** 

Fruit Punch

Pizza

Salad Oranges

#### Thursday - December 9

Muffin

Yogurt

#### **Ham or Sunbutter Sandwich**

Baby Carrots & Snap Peas Fresh Grapes

#### Friday – December 10

Mini Waffles

Apple

#### Spaghetti with Meat Sauce

Caesar Salad Pineapple Cup

Due to supply chain issues, some items may change. Please check the website for information <a href="http://www.scsd303.org/">http://www.scsd303.org/</a>