



Country Place Elementary



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Principal's Newsletter - January 2012

Message from your Principal

Happy New Year! Hope you and your family had a restful break and are ready to continue learning. We would like to thank you for continuing to work with us with your child's education.

Checklist for Parents

As we are starting the second semester and returning from a break, here are a few tips for parents to help your child with their education. Read each of the following and put a checkmark by the ones you are doing well. Pat yourself on the back for being a good parent. Take note of the ones that you did not check, and work on each one separately over the next few months.

___ Make sure your child has an excellent attendance record. When you allow your child to stay home because of whining or pleading, your actions say that you think school is not important.

___ Never say that you don't like to read. Parents are the most important people in a child's life. If parents don't like to read, the child will not like to read either.

___ Don't wait for the teacher to call you if you think there is a problem at school with your child. Always feel free to contact the teacher and be proactive for your child.

___ Do not do homework for your child, but always check up on how assignments are going. Give helpful hints and offer suggestions, but if a child cannot do his/her own work, the teacher needs to know that from the homework the child turns in. If you correct the mistakes, the teacher will not know the areas in which your child needs help.

___ Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep before a school day. Your child needs to be well rested to pay attention in class.

We hope you all enjoyed our Winter Program! Congratulations to Mr. Rudy and Ms. Hann for their wonderfully directed Winter program! The Mustang choir and band collaborated to make for a very special evening with hundreds of our families and community in attendance.

The Country Place family would like to welcome Ms. Kellie Pool as our new 5th grade teacher! Ms. Pool just graduated with honors from the iTeach ASU program. We are very excited to have such a highly recommended and talented candidate join our learning community.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- 1/10 LESD Governing Board Meeting 6:00pm
- 1/10 Spelling Bee 8:00am
- 1/13 TA Casual Dress day and Jamba Juice
- 1/16 MLK day (NO SCHOOL)
- 1/24 PTA Meeting 6:30pm Library
- 1/26 PTA Awards Assembly (Dec/Jan) 6:00pm