



Nectar News



Early Childhood Center
Flour Bluff Independent School District
Adventure Begins Here

January 2020

- 14 Family Training, 11:15am ECC
- 17 Student Holiday/
Staff Inservice Day
- 20 Student Holiday
Staff Bad Weather Day
- 22 Report Cards Go Home
- 23 ECC Class Photo
- 23 Family Reading Night 6pm
- 30 ECC SBDM Meeting, 3:30 pm

February

- 5 School Counselor Appreciation
- 6 100th Day of School
- 11 Math & Science Night, 6 p.m.
- 14 Valentine Day Parties
- 19 Progress Report Cards
- 22 **Community Resource Fair**
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.,
Prim/Elem Cafeteria
- 28 Mommy-Son Dance, 6 -7:30pm
ECC Cafeteria

TEXAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK Mar. 2 - 6, 2020

Scholastic Book Fair



Mon - Fri
Open House
Tuesday
Family Picnic
Friday

More info to come...

ECC Administrative Team

Amy Seeds *Principal*
Jessica Philomeno *Asst. Princ.*
Toby Colvett *Counselor*
Kristen LaBaume *School Nurse*
Kelli Floyd *Librarian*

Welcome Back!

We hope that you and your family had a happy and relaxing holiday. Everyone is working hard to get back into our school routines and students are buzzing with stories of their adventures during the break.

The second nine weeks will conclude on Jan. 16th. The first half of this school year has flown by so quickly and it has been a joy to watch your children learn and grow.

We would also like to give a big welcome to our new FBISD families. We are excited to welcome you to our Hornet family and we look forward to watching your student grow with us!

As the new year begins, we just want to go over a few important reminders:

Please continue to remind your child to WASH their hands. It's important to stay healthy!

A photo ID MUST be shown when making changes and additions to a student's emergency card. Photo ID is ALWAYS required when visiting the school or picking up a student from school and/or off the bus. Only those listed on the emergency card are allowed to pick up a student. Any after school pick-up/bus changes need to be made BEFORE 2 p.m.

Tennis shoes are the most appropriate footwear to wear to school, as students participate in PE and/or recess daily.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, our administrative team is here to help. The ECC main phone number is 361-694-9036.

Amy Seeds & Jessica Philomeno

Fun for the whole family!

ECC Family Reading Night



Thursday, Jan 23
6 - 7 p.m. @ ECC



Counselor's Corner

Happy New Year! The school year is progressing quickly.

In December, Kinder learned about compassion and helping others. We will now start to focus on the steps when problem solving.

Pre-K has been working on how to solve small problems and when they need to see an adult.

Thanks to those who donated to the "Toys for Tots" toy drive. You are setting a wonderful example for your children when they see you helping others.

*Ms. Toby Colvett, M.S., School Counselor
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DISTRICT CHARACTER TRAITS:
3rd 6-Weeks - "Kindness"

Nurse Notes from Nurse Kristen



Medication Drop-off:

To ensure student safety, please remember that all medications (prescription and non-prescription) must be brought to school **by a parent**. The parent must bring the properly labeled medication in its original container to the school nurse and complete a form indicating permission to administer the medication.

- Students are not allowed to carry ANY type of medication, including prescription drugs, as well as, over-the-counter medications--such as Tylenol, etc.

Please keep your child home if he/she has a fever greater than 100 degrees. If your child is sent home with a fever, please remember they can return ONLY after they are fever-free, without the use of medication, for 24 hours.

CLOTHING DONATION

If you have gently-used clothes, especially pants, to donate to the Nurse's Closet, that would be greatly appreciated!

Please return all borrowed clothes from the nurse as soon as possible.



Located across from Nurses Office

"READING ROCKS"

News from the Library

Don't forget to access free online books from home at www.tumblelibrary.com
(username: flourbluff; password: tumble)

**Mark your calendar:
Scholastic Book Fair
March 2 - 6**

Keep saving those Box Tops for Education.
I appreciate the help and support.

**Happy Reading!
Mrs. Floyd**

**Friday, Feb. 28
Mommy-Son
Valentine's Dance**
ECC Cafeteria
6 - 7:30 p.m.



Regional Parent & Family Involvement Conference

8am - 2 pm

Wednesday, February 4, 2020

@ Solomon Ortiz Center

Registration Deadline: Jan 22, 2020

For more Information Contact:

Kim Thompson

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It is very important to be at school everyday. Essential skills are being taught daily!

Excuse Notes:

Written excuse notes must be submitted within 3 days of the child's absence. Please include the student's first and last name, date they were absent and the reason why they were absent. Email excuses are accepted at: cmelendez@flourbluffschoools.net within the same time period.

Sickness:

Sickness happens! We understand. Please use your good judgement and keep your child at home if they have a fever or not feeling well. Illness spreads and we are all trying to stay healthy during this active flu season. Illness absences will be excused absent once you bring in a written note or doctor's excuse.

Coming soon:

Grand Prize drawing for those with perfect attendance for the first semester!

Questions: Call Ms. Cindy at 694-9077.



JANUARY IS SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH

January is School Board Recognition Month and a good time to focus on the crucial role an elected board of trustees plays in our communities and schools.

The ECC appreciates their dedication and hard work. They are extraordinary people who voluntarily tackle the enormous job of governing school districts. Their actions and decisions affect the present and future lives of our children.

Recognizing board members for this commitment and sacrifice takes a combined effort on the part of all they serve: administrators, school staff, students, and the community.

Even though showing appreciation should be a year-round process, taking advantage of the designated School Board Recognition Month in January assures that these important people receive some of the thanks they deserve. www.tasb.com

These are our generous community members who work to make FBISD a great place for our kids:

- Shirley Thornton, President
- Michael Morgan, Vice President
- Jennifer Welp, Secretary
- Jerry Hooper, Board Member
- Jim Needham, Board Member
- Nicole Peters, Board Member
- Jeff Rank, Board Member

CLASSROOM PICTURES

Tuesday, January 23



Throughout the school year we stress our positive behavior expectations at the Early Childhood Center. Our expectations are:

**Be Safe! Be Respectful!
Be Responsible!**

Regional Parent & Family Engagement Conference



Together Everyone Achieves More Success
#coastalblendstrong

February 4, 2020
8:00am – 2:00pm
Solomon Ortiz Center

Description

Participants will have the opportunity to hear from guest speakers from the community and learn strategies to help their students be successful both in the classroom and in life. The conference is focused on increasing student achievement through collaborative efforts with teachers, families, and the community. The conference will offer strategies for families to engage their child academically, socially, and emotionally.

Audience

Parents/Guardians (including parent of homeschoolers and private schoolers), parent liaisons, administrators, school staff, community stakeholders.

Breakout Session Topics

- Early Literacy
- Math STAAR Assessments
- Dyslexia 101
- Healthy Eating 101
- Human Trafficking
- Social & Emotional Health

Registration

Deadline, January 22, 2020

Included: Admission, breakfast/lunch, and conference bag and materials

Additional Information:

- There will be a district competition for best centerpieces. Districts are asked to create centerpieces for their tables.
- Please no air horns, confetti, glitter, silly string, balloons, or objects that may obstruct view of other attendees.
- Parents are encouraged to wear a district spirit t-shirt or team shirt to show school pride.

For more information contact:

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