



# KAY CARL'S SPORTS PAGE

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## COACHES CORNER

We hope everyone had an amazing time at the Family Dance! Can you believe third quarter is already coming to an end? Our community is truly rocking it when it comes to attendance—we are at the highest rate we've ever had at 85%! Our goal is 90%, and we are so close. Please continue turning in absence notes, especially with flu season in full swing. We also ask that families help students come to school prepared by wearing weather-appropriate clothing. You can even make this a fun morning routine by checking the weather together and deciding what's needed for the day—coats, hats, pants, and more—which is a great opportunity for communication and science connections! As we head into fourth quarter, testing season will be approaching, so please take time to encourage your child to stay motivated and work hard during the final three months of school. We appreciate your continued partnership and support!

-Mrs. Brunetti and Mrs. Lawrence



## EVENTS TO COME

- March 2-6- Reading Week
- Feb 26-March 6-Book Fair
- Literacy Night-March 5th
- WOW Carwash Fundraiser-March 6th
- Spring Break- March 14-22
- Class Resumes-March 23rd
- Kona Ice-March 25th

## HARRIS' ALL-STARS (PRIMARY AUTISM)

### Third Quarter Update

Halftime is behind us, and we have sprinted into the 3rd quarter with victory in sight! It's hard to believe we are already heading toward the finish line. Cheers to all of our players for stepping up this quarter and continuing to grow. Every All-Star is showing determination, teamwork, and heart!

### On the Field of Reading

Each and every player has earned the title of Reading MVP! While our All-Stars are at different levels, every student is making progress and building confidence. From sounding out tricky words to strengthening comprehension skills, our team spirit in reading is raising the roof!

### On the Field of Math

Our math MVPs are adding up the points! Players are solving problems, practicing number skills, and working hard toward their goals. They are scoring touchdowns in math every day. Way to go, team!

### Coach's Closing Huddle

As we head into the final stretch of the 3rd quarter, let's keep our players strong and engaged at home. You can help by reading together each day, practicing math facts in fun ways (cards, cooking, counting games), encouraging responsibility through daily chores, and talking about their learning and celebrating effort and success.

Let's keep our All-Stars in game shape and ready to show up strong every day!

— Coach Harris

## PRE-K MIGHTY MINIS

Our new exciting theme we are learning about is gardening! Our students are showing an interest in plants, fruits, and vegetables. They are curious about the plants they see around them and have also shared their observations about the fruits and vegetables they eat. Also, if someone in your family has a job or hobby related to gardens (example, gardener, farmer, florist, landscaper) they can talk to your children about their jobs. You could also take your children to the Gilcrease Orchards as a fun and engaging hands on family visit. You can also take walks around your neighborhood and look for gardens.

## NEVADA READY PRE-K ROOKIE SQUAD

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## KINDERGARTEN KICKERS

The Kindergarten Team is so excited about the second semester of school. This is the time of year when our students really begin to shine. We celebrated the 100th day of school. Can you believe it? Our students are 100 Days Smarter! We also had an amazing field trip to the Lion Habitat! The children got to observe and learn about lions, and they really enjoyed riding the bus!

As we move toward spring, we are working hard to prepare our students for first grade. We are working on reading, addition and subtraction, and writing multiple sentences on a topic. In order for our students to continue to grow and bloom into first graders, we suggest these activities: read and talk about books nightly, practice sight words, write in a journal, and practice addition and subtraction math facts to ten.

Along with all of the learning the children have been doing, the children are growing too. Please make sure that your children have an extra change of clothes in their backpacks that will fit their current size. It is important that the children have a change of clothes that fits in case of a toileting accident or if they spill food or drinks on themselves.

We are so proud of our students! They have learned so many social skills since August to help them be successful students and tiny humans in our community.



## FIRST GRADE FIRST-DOWNS

### First Grade News: An Exciting Start to the Second Semester

Our first graders have kicked off the new semester like true champions! We started strong with an unforgettable field trip to The Smith Center, where students were wonderful teammates in learning and behavior. Back in the classroom, we celebrated Lunar New Year by exploring traditions and cultures from around the world, and tackled Dental Health Month with bright smiles and healthy habits. We also hit a big milestone—our 120th day of school—proving that with teamwork, practice, and perseverance, we keep getting better every single day. We're also working hard on the 1st Grade Olympics Challenge, where students compete every week!

It's shaping up to be a championship season in first grade!

## 2<sup>ND</sup> ROUND KNOCKOUTS

Second semester is flying by already! Students have just finished writing an imaginative narrative paper about waking up in a video game which was a ton of fun. In reading, we are finishing up a unit on weather. Our students have been learning how to use and identify text features in nonfiction text. They have been working on identifying if a text is written in first or third person and being able to tell us what the author's point of view is. Next up is our unit on important people. We've been continuing to introduce the different vowel teams in our phonics lessons and have been working on knowing the meanings of words when prefixes and suffixes are added onto base and root words. In grammar we are learning how to use commas in a series of nouns and verbs. We have been studying shapes and fractions in math and will be transitioning into our next focus which will be time and money.

## ART OF THE GAME

- Kindergarteners have been doing our best throughout the year practicing their artistic skills as we explore pastels, watercolors, and other media.
- 1st grade and 2nd grade have started their ceramic clay projects that will soon come home so they can share their creations with you. The rest of the grade levels will begin theirs soon too!
- 3rd graders have worked so hard on some wonderful yarn weavings and will continue to create more beautiful art with watercolors and soon try printmaking!
- 4th grade continues to work on their drawing and coloring skills with different media.
- 5th grade has been working on portrait drawings and next will convey emotions through paper collage and other media.

We also recently celebrated the Lunar New Year and the Year of the Horse with a large hallway display with Kinder Bamboo Paintings, 1st grade Paper Horse Sculptures, 2nd grade Paper Lanterns, and 5th grade Chinese Scrolls. Most artwork remains at school to conduct a self evaluation closer to the end of the year. Students will choose one artwork to hang up for display to transform our school into a huge art gallery where we celebrate Fine Arts Night with musical performances and make and take activities at the end of April. This is also when we will have a special anniversary celebration for our school turning 25! Feel free to message me on Dojo with any questions.

**Your Art Teacher, Ms. Tagaca**

## CHAMPIONS CODE PBIS

Spring is getting here fast! As we welcome the warmer weather, we want to highlight our Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program and our school core values: Kind, Capable, Empathetic, Safe, and Responsible. These values help our students thrive as we nurture a fun and supportive learning environment together.

As your kids enjoy the fresh air and sunshine, we encourage you to check in with them each day. Ask how they earned their Carl Cash throughout the week. These conversations are a valuable way to celebrate their positive behavior and reinforce our core values.

We are also thrilled to announce our January Champions of the Month! These Champions have truly reached high, and we couldn't be prouder of their hard work and dedication:

- **\*\*Special Education\*\***: Israel C., Christian L., Jude T., Malachi H.
- **\*\*Pre-K\*\***: Shawn H., Alexander C.
- **\*\*Kindergarten\*\***: Jackson T., Kai M., Ava L., Maximo O.
- **\*\*First Grade\*\***: Zacari C., Briella V., Blakely T., Ava M.
- **\*\*Second Grade\*\***: Layna P., Elena C., Karalyn V., Charles S.
- **\*\*Third Grade\*\***: Andrew K., Tinnley D., Emily C., Winter M.
- **\*\*Fourth Grade\*\***: Samantha A., Ayleen O., Cruz O., Stafanni O., Oakley W., Kobe C.,
- **\*\*Fifth Grade\*\***: Ameriah C., Gabe V., Charlotte H., Noay D., Soma P., Zae S., Peyton M., Jamyrah M.

Congratulations to all our Champions! Your hard work is awesome and is making our school community even better.