



# Falcon Feathers

January 27 - February 2, 2018



## Home Of Hope

Quail Lake Environmental Charter School is partnering with Sanger Unified and Granville Homes in the Home Of Hope campaign. Your support provides our school with funds to support the students and teachers to sustain the many innovative programs found at our school. If you are interested in purchasing a Home Of Hope Ticket, please stop in the office for an entry form. Prizes include a 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1600+ square foot Cooper River Ranch Home and a chance to win a 24 month lease on a 2018 Lexus RX 350 SUV when you purchase a two ticket bundle. Thank you for your support of all we do!

## What's Going On?

### 2nd Grade

Second grade has just begun a social studies unit, looking at the biographies of heroes and leaders in American history: specifically Jackie Robinson, Rosa Parks, & Sacajawea. The students are reflecting on attributes that uniquely define someone as a hero vs. a leader and determine which characteristics apply to those figures we are studying in our unit. As a cumulative project, students will work in groups to research an additional American hero or leader and produce an electronic presentation of that figure on our newly acquired one-to-one iPads! In math, second graders are studying both 2-D & 3-D shapes and learning to partition them into equal parts. Second grade students are spectacular!

## Athletics Update

### Spring Sports

Spring sports are about to begin! Girls' softball, coached by Mr. Gulbronsen and Mrs. McCabe, and boys' volleyball, coached by Mr. Hoffman will begin the week of January 29th. Track, coached by Mr. Allan and Mrs. Riddle, will begin the week of February 20th. We are excited to include wrestling at our site this year! Wrestling, coached by Mr. DerHairbedian, will begin the week of March 5th. Go Falcons!

## Better Together This Week

January 30 Bricks 4 Kidz @ 2:50  
January 31 Early Release @1:20  
February 1 Monthly Awards Assembly  
Kinder - postponed to 3/15  
1st & 2nd 9:00-9:30  
3rd-5th 9:45-10:15  
February 2 FCA  
Blossom Trail Kickoff @ Sanger  
Women's Club

## Upcoming Events

February 5 3rd Grade Local History Field Trip  
February 6 Bricks 4 Kidz @ 2:50  
February 7 Early Release @1:20  
February 8 ELAC/Charter Council Mtg @5:30  
February 9 FCA & 75% AR Due  
Art Contest Submissions  
Lip Sync @ 1:45  
February 10 Science Bowl @Fresno State  
February 12 No School - Lincoln's Holiday  
February 13 Bricks 4 Kidz @ 2:50  
WAMS Spring Sports Tryouts  
PTO Meeting @ 5:30 MPR  
February 14 Early Release @1:20  
February 15 District Science Fair @WAMS  
February 16 FCA  
February 19 No School - Presidents' Day  
February 20 Choir to Valley Children's  
Bricks 4 Kidz @ 2:50  
February 21 Early Release @1:20  
February 23 FCA & Daughter's Dance 6-8pm

## Go Green Tip of the Week

### Reducing Waste at Quail Lake

When on campus, please take a moment to properly sort materials into our three-bin system. If you have liquid left in a cup or recyclable bottle, please empty it before throwing the container into the proper bin.

Common items that go in each bin:

### Gray/Black = Landfill

straws, zip lock bags, kleenex, and food soiled papers/wrappers

### Green = Compost

all food waste and brown paper towels

### Blue = Recycle

cardboard, paper, hard plastics such as water bottles, foil, and cans

Many Quail Lake students are already experts at sorting, so you can always ask a student for help!

## Science Olympiad

If you have a student in 3rd-6th grade that is interested in joining Science Olympiad, please have them grab an application from Mrs. Rehfeldt in room 4. Students will engage in fun, hands-on science projects on Mondays from 3:00-4:00pm.

## Traffic Reminders

Thank you to all of you for your patience and for following our traffic pattern rules. We have seen a great improvement in the flow of traffic this year and really appreciate all your efforts. Please remember to follow the traffic pattern and do not make a U-turn anywhere along Quail Lake Drive in front of the parking lot. Also, as a friendly reminder, if you plan on staying on campus beyond 8:15 am and are not a resident of Quail Lake, please do not park in the community as unauthorized vehicles will be towed.

## Literacy Tip

### Say "Thank You"

Writing is an essential skill and is more than just putting words on paper. It is a process of communication that plays an important role in your child's life—both in and out of the classroom. An activity to promote writing at home is to let your child get in the habit of writing "Thank You" notes for gifts or whenever it is appropriate to do so. Helping your child put thoughts into words gives him/her a great sense of accomplishment. Fostering good writing habits will make a big difference in your child's attitude about writing. Help your child learn to write well—and enjoy doing it!

## PTO Corner

### Meeting

Our next PTO meeting is Tuesday, February 13th at 5:30pm in the MPR. Elections for the PTO Executive Board will be happening soon! Keep an eye out for the election nomination flyer in the upcoming weeks.

### Box Tops

Our next collection day will be in February.