



Bobcat Pause WC Petty School



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December 2017

(847) 838-8101

Dates to Remember:

December 4 - December 8

Book Fair

December 5

Jump Rope for Heart

December 7

Book Fair Family Night

4:30- 7:00 pm

December 11

4th Gr Music Concert

2:00 & 7:00 pm

December 15

Kids Night Out

6:15-8:15 pm

December 19

Board Mtg 6:30 @ASC

December 22

Earl Dismissal 2:35 pm

December 25

NO SCHOOL

Winter Break Begins



GoodLightScraps.com

January 8

SCHOOL RESUMES

Dear Petty Families,

I hope you all had a restful Thanksgiving break and were able to spend quality time with your family. It's hard to believe that Winter Break is only three weeks away.

As part of a pilot, one of our 5th grade classrooms is going to create a classroom of flexible seating. This means that all the students in this class will have a choice of alternative seating options. We will remove most of the traditional desks and replace them with couches, hi-top tables, stadium chairs, coffee tables, clipboards, etc. Picture Panera Bread or Starbucks restaurants minus the menu of food and drink. Flexible seating gives students the opportunity to choose a work environment based on their preference and learning style. Flexible seating has other benefits also. Students will have a stronger sense of ownership in their classroom which can increase their commitment to their learning and behavior. They also learn that "less is more." Students will learn to give up their personal desk space and simplify their supplies in order to save more room for their seating options.

In order to make this pilot a success, we are hoping to get some donations. If you have any of the items listed below and don't need them anymore, please consider donating them to the school. If you have one of the larger items, please call the school to ensure it's still needed.

Large floor cushions or pillows
Folding Bag Chairs
Stadium Seats
Hi-top tables
Tall Stools
Coffee Tables
End Tables
Loveseat
Couch

Thank you in advance for your consideration

Joanna Gerritsen
W.C. Petty Principal

H.O.T Health Office Tidbits

REMINDER...please do not send cough drops or any other over the counter medication to school with your child. Any over the counter medications including cough drops require a medication permission form filled out by your child's doctor.

The vision and hearing screenings were done in September. If a child failed a screening twice, they received a referral to follow up with their doctor. After following up with your child's doctor, please remember to send in the completed exam form to the Health Office.

Thank you,

Jessica Gier, RN

W.C. Petty Health Office



P.E. News

2nd & 3rd Grade

Jump Rope for Heart Event Tuesday, December 5th

Moon/ABC Volleyball

Virus & Vitamin C game

4th & 5th Grade

Jump for Heart Event Tuesday, December 5th

Volleyball Set/Bump Test

Jump Rope Routine Test



ART NEWS

Fifth grade students are starting self portraits with value. This is the final activity in the value unit. I will be comparing the start of the school self portrait with these to see how much was learned.

Fourth Grade students completed the symbols of fall water marker paintings as well as The eye project where they were to draw a realistic eye and then abstract it with color.

Third grade students completed paintings inspired by Gustav Klimt and are now working on snowmen snapshots. In this project we are learning about point of view and negative space.

Second grade students completed 3D texture hearts using model magic. They are beginning patterned hearts with wax resist techniques.



Library Happenings

Students got an opportunity to “Roll a Story” during their library visits before Thanksgiving break. They rolled two cubes (one with nouns and one with adjectives). From their rolls, they had to develop a story using their noun and adjective. The students’ stories were very creative! Please visit my webpage to see more pictures. To visit my page, follow the instructions below:

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- Teacher Webpages
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- Nancy Bernard



Our **Scholastic Book Fair** is the week of December 4th. Shop for holiday gifts early AND help raise Scholastic dollars for W.C. Petty. Scholastic dollars are used to purchase books for our library, classroom magazines and materials for our classrooms. Students will visit the book fair with their class and make a wish list. They will have an opportunity to come back later to make purchases. Also please visit us during our FAMILY NIGHT.

Book Fair FAMILY NIGHT
Thursday, December 7, 2018
4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Music News



As December starts, the 2nd graders are looking into new music symbols and terminology. The students will be learning about form (organization of a piece), how to follow a listening map, codas (special endings) and instrument timbres. They will be using the music from “The Nutcracker” to explore all of these new concepts. 3rd grade is beginning to look at the music for their concert “The Day the Crayons Quit” while still expanding their recorder techniques. They have been introduced to their recorder piece, “Bagzilla,” which features a purple recorder monster. More songs will be introduced that relate to the different colors of crayons. The 4th graders are into their final push in the preparation of their concert “Travels Down Route 66”. Their concert will be on Monday, December 11, 2017 at 7:00 pm. With the 5th graders finishing their concert, they will be reviewing recorder techniques as they head into recorder belt tests starting December 7th. After testing, the students will be reviewing rhythmic concepts with the introduction of sixteenth and eighth note combinations as well as singing techniques with the use of do, re, mi, fa, sol, la and high do. Short composition creations are also in the coming weeks.

Melissa Marchman



A Message from STEM

All of our classes are now starting new modules for STEM.

5th graders have started looking at how robots are made and programmed for specific purposes as they start thinking about how they will make their own robots.

4th grade will be looking at how computers are similar to the human brain in how they take information from an input and respond to it with an output.

3rd graders are beginning to learn about and build simple machines. They will be building an inclined plane, a lever, and a pulley with the VEX Kits.

2nd grade has started their new module on the properties of matter. We will be looking at solids, liquids, and gases and how we might change matter form one form to another.





"WANTED FOR CREATING GREAT READERS!"

Join us for our Book Fair Dec. 4th thru Dec. 7th.

Family Night is Dec. 7th 4:30-7:00 pm

