

Pleasant Grove Elementary Gazette



Spring is coming!

We probably all say this every year, but school is going by so quickly!

Remember that drop off time is between 8:05 - 8:15 am. School starts promptly at 8:20 with students in their seats! Breakfast is free for everyone from 7:50 - 8:15, so arrive early and have your kids eat here with plenty of time to get to class.

We have already started thinking about next year, and we want you to be aware of things you may need to be doing now to prepare.

If your sixth grader is promoting, it is a time of celebration and maybe some bittersweet feelings. Anxiety about leaving elementary school may show up in unexpected ways. Keep in touch with your child's teachers if you have any concerns, and start thinking about supporting your child in the transition. One helpful article on the middle school transition (from US News and World Report) is [linked here](#).

Maybe you have a 3, 4, or 5 year old at home, or a friend or family member! Be sure to get them registered for TK or Kindergarten. You can [click here](#) to get to the EGUSD website with enrollment information.

TK/K New Student Enrollment packets, along with all supporting documentation, must be turned in to the student's resident school by **Friday, February 20, 2026** in order to participate in the electronic randomized student placement process.

We are also registering for our Spring Break ExL camp! A flyer went home with details on Monday, February 2. [Click here](#) to see the flyer. The registration closes on February 27 and space is limited.

You might also be wondering about summer school. EGUSD summer school is July 6 - 31 this year across the district Traditional & Mod Traditional schools. More details to be coming soon.

Finally, we say goodbye to our dear secretary, Dolly Chamberlain, who has decided to retire. We wish her health and happiness in this new chapter! The process of finding a new secretary is starting in our HR department.

Mrs. McCartney

In this newsletter you can expect:

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February 2026

Date	Event
February 3	6 th Grade Albiani Visit to PGES 5th Grade Basketball 6pm (Home)
February 4	TK Parent Night
February 5	TK Student of the Month 6th Grade Basketball 4pm(Away @ Batey)
February 6	Spirit Day - Sports Day Student of the Month 2pm NO ExL After School!
February 9	No School - Lincoln's Birthday
February 10	5th Grade Basketball 6pm (Away @ Butler)
February 11	Dining for Dollars @ Chick Fil A
February 12	6th Grade Basketball 4pm(Away @ Batey) PTA General Meeting 6pm (South Slope Winery)
February 16	No School - President's Day PTA Family Skate
February 17	Lunar New Year 5th Grade Basketball 5pm(Away @ TBD)
February 18	Spring Pictures / 6 th Grade Promotion Pictures 6th Grade Basketball 4pm(Away @ West)

The word "EVENTS" is displayed in a stylized font where each letter is contained within a separate, colorful rectangular block. The letters are: E (red), V (grey), E (orange), N (blue), T (grey), S (purple). Each block is suspended by a thin vertical line from a horizontal line above.

February 2026

Date	Event
February 23	Author's Visit (Hien Le) Minimum Day (1 st - 6 th grade leave at 12:50)
February 24	3 rd Grade Field Trip to B Street Theater 4 th Grade Field Trip to Splash
February 26	Kindergarten Performance

PTA Corner



PTA General Meetings are the second Thursday of the month at South Slope Winery at 6:00 pm. All are welcome!

The next event of the year will be the Family Skate on the afternoon of Monday, February 16th. [Click here to sign up!](#)

Teachers will soon be requesting donations for their raffle baskets for the annual fundraiser dinner! This is the biggest fundraiser of the year for the PTA, so please help support our school!

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GENERAL PTA MEETINGS 2ND THURSDAY EACH MONTH FROM 6-7 AT SOUTH SLOPE WINES			
25 SEP	SOCK HOP & BOOK FAIR		
24 OCT	FALL CARNIVAL		
05 DEC	HOLIDAY MOVIE NIGHT		
23 JAN	FAMILY DANCE		
16 FEB	FAMILY SKATE		
07 MAR	ANNUAL FUNDRAISER DINNER		
27 MAR	Oodles of Noodles & BINGO		

PGE PTA Presents

Skate Day

Calling All Skaters!!! Who's Ready to Skate!

Skate to your heart's content while having fun with family & friends.

DATE/TIME: February 16th, 2026 from 10:00 -12:00 pm (this is a Monday federal/state holiday)

WHERE: King's Skate (10404 Franklin Blvd, Elk Grove, CA 95757)

COST: \$7 per skater (non-PTA); \$6 per skater (PTA Member)

** This will be a private event so the skating rink will not be open to the public at this time.

PGES friends and family only, please **

No cost for non-skaters.



HONESTY
Family Newsletter

Respectful People

Honesty Overview

This month's focus is Honesty. One way to think about Honesty is "being truthful in what you say and do." Practicing Honesty helps strengthen our relationships and even reduces stress.

Honesty is 1 of 3 traits we will focus on throughout the year that helps students be Well. Across grade levels, students will be developing skills like emotion regulation, positive self talk, and stress management.

Conversation Starters

- Can you share or show what it means to practice Honesty?
- What is 1 way you can be more honest with others?

Purpose-Full Pursuits

Have some fun connecting as a family this month while practicing Honesty. Here are 2 "Purpose-Full Pursuits" you can complete together!

#1 Review Honesty as a family! Honesty is being truthful in what you say and do. Discuss the importance of being honest and work together to create a family Honesty pledge. Create and decorate a sign together that explains what Honesty means in your family. Have each family member sign the pledge and choose a spot to display it. Refer back to the pledge as a reminder to be honest and to celebrate when Honesty is practiced!

#2 Set aside some time to gather as a family and check in with each other. Ask each family member, "How are you feeling today?" Practice Honesty when responding and listen carefully as each family member shares. Use the emotion check-in questions to learn more. Challenge yourselves to check in with each other on a regular basis.

Emotion Check-In Questions:

- Tell me more about that feeling.
- Why do you think you are feeling that emotion?
- What do you need right now?

Trait of the Month: Honesty

Our Character Strong Curriculum has its own family website! Click on the Family Strong icon to access the website or go to:
<https://www.characterstrong.com/familystrong>

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To read more about this month's trait, along with how you can talk about it as a family, click on the newsletter pictured to the left, or go to our website:
<http://pleasantgrove.egusd.net>

Coming Soon!

Mark your calendars for these dates in February - May:

March 2 - Read Across America

March 4 - Family Art Night

March 7 - PTA Annual Fundraiser: "Denim & Diamonds Goes Disco"

March 16-20 - Spring Break

March 23 - Career Day

April 24 - Lunch with Loved Ones (formerly Family Picnic Day)

April 27 - May 8 CAASPP Testing (Grades 3-6)

May 22 - Unity Day

May 25 - Memorial Day - No School

May 26 - AR Celebration & BBQ

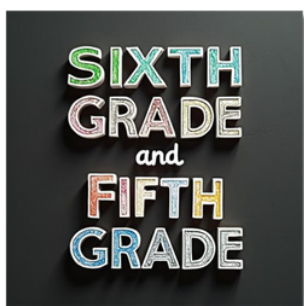
May 27 - TK Promotion

May 28 - 6th Grade Promotion

May 29 - Kinder Promotion & Last Day of School



5th & 6th Grade News



5th and 6th grade families are getting ready for 6th grade promotion and to start planning for Sly Park in 6th grade.

A committee has been formed to plan for these big events. If you would like to be a part of the committee, let your classroom teacher know and they will get you more details.

A fundraiser to support the 6th grade promotion will be held at Chick Fil A on Wednesday, February 11. Proceeds of every order will be donated to the specifically for 6th grade. Let a team member know you're from PGES!

6th graders are required to have a Tdap Booster Shot (whooping cough) before 7th grade. Please bring an updated copy of the shot records to our office once the shot is received. If the student does not receive the shot before the first day of 7th grade, the student will NOT be allowed to attend classes!!

Meet Our Tigers! Our 6th Grade Teachers

I had the opportunity to learn more about Ms. Bush and Mr. Brown. This will tell you things about them that you might not have known.

Let me introduce Ms. Bush. Ms. Bush is a very unique (think multi-colored hair, brightly colored clothes and flip flops) and kind 6th grade E.L.A. teacher. She has a free spirit. Her favorite book from when she was a kid was *"The Little House On The Prairie"*. She loves ice cream and will accept it any time. She doesn't have a favorite band, but she likes to listen to swing music. She also wants to travel to places like New Zealand. Her favorite game growing up was Tetris. However, she now likes Hogwarts Legacy and Mario Kart. Her best piece of advice to us is nice and short: "Do good recklessly."

Lucky us! We have another teacher to talk about. Mr. Brown is a very tall math teacher who will try his best to help you. He also had a favorite book as a kid, it was *"The Poky Little Puppy"*. He loves nachos and pizza, and his favorite ice cream flavor is cherry chocolate chunk. His favorite band is The Marcus King Band. If he could do something other than teaching, he would work at Ace Hardware. He doesn't have a favorite video game, but he has a favorite card game called Pinochle. Mr. Brown will go to any ball park with his family. His piece of advice is a tough one. "Every day is a gift, treat it as such, because not everyone gets it."

So those are our 6th grade teachers. I hope this helps you better understand who your teachers are. To any kids reading this, good luck Tigers!

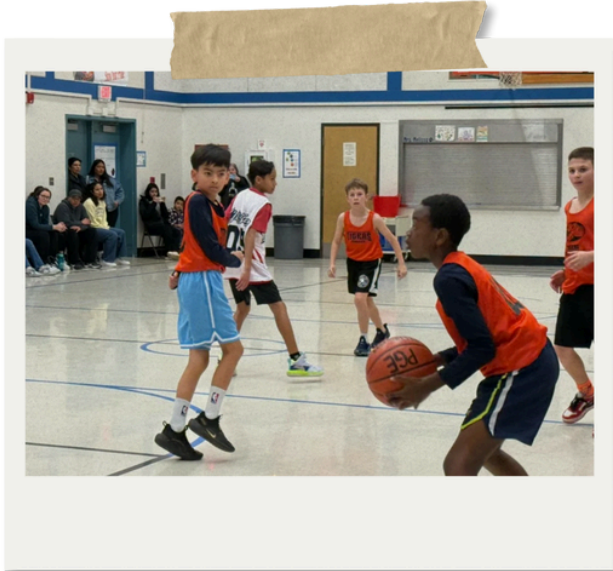


About the author

The author of this article is Dylan F. Chuang. He has quite the love for steam trains and the color orange. He finds a passion in learning history through trains, planes, F1 racing history, rocks, and flags. He could go on and on about trains for quite some time. His imagination allows him to make entire countries in his mind. Writing is a small passion as well. However, there is one thing that he is more passionate about, so much so, that he has lots of them: cats!

See What We've Been Up To!

The Great Kindness Challenge!



Tiger Basketball



Phil Tulga



Assembly & Family Night



Excellent Attendance



CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE STUDENTS!

01/06/2026 -01/29/2026

NO LATES, NO ABSENCES, NO EARLY DISMISSALS.

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

Jace Bufford, Angela Edralin, Owen Love, Sebastian Luong, Isaac Roblada, Emory Sandhu-Goldner, Andres Aguilar, Hope Anderson, Wyatt Coleman, Tri Do, Nash Hand, Ellylynne huynh, Hanhna Khuu, Quinn Marengo, Sargi Sidhu, Sanya Asar, Eyan Cabrera, Travis Davila, Margaret Hand, Evan Huang, Andrea Orozco, Audrey Orozco, Jackson Schritter, Alexandra Bauer, Harrison Canuela, Josey Congdon, An Do, Samie Hadgu, Claire Jones, Charles Love, Bennett Nanzer, Jonathan Nguyen, Seraphina Bufford, Mateo Capetillo, Juvia Fang, Alan Martinez, Seraphina Bufford, Mateo Capetillo, Juvia Fang, Alan Martinez Alvarez, Madison Phu, Fiona Hart, Toby Mosmann, Hai Khuu, Kaptain Sythanyarutt, Everly Whitehead, Lukas Xiong, Nathan Yang, Haniya Usman Ahmad, Hukam Bath, Elliot Coles, Sophie Diaz, Sophia Fernandez, Evie Lawson, Christopher Lema, Isabelle Nguyen, Yliana Rodriguez, Andrea Elaine Soares, Huy-Haiden Tran, Jasmine Trinh, Vera Trukhan, Hava Andaluz, Jailyn Bufford, Franklin Canuela, Ava Garcia, Miles Hosmann, Ronan Lux, Douglas MacDonald, Caia Raines, Kira Rhynas, Lucas Ursin, Emily Borges, Jalton Bufford, Jesus Cervantes, Hudson Coates, Kinsley Congdon, Gemma Cornell, Brooklyn Davila, Olivia Marengo, Saige Pitt, Carson Retke, Colton Enterkin, Rory French, Evelyn Hardenburg, Chu Ye Her, Myka La Sance, Eli Linley, Davin Mendoza, Aizelle San, Jaxon Sategna, Valeria Torres, Ben Winemiller, Camden Ballard, Andrej Borlak, Ally Buna, Graham Cornell, Charlotte Cuong, Ava King, Kelsie Lux, Subhan Saeed, Caoilainn White, Cristian Cervantes Espinoza, Raegan Enterkin, Harrison Hart, Lucas Ledoux, Aria Lee, Taj Phelps, Ava Valencia, Camryn Wessel, Zoey Xiong, Junhao Chen, Finley Coates, Chidimma Enemuoh, Atticus Herr, Nelson Le, Zuri Luu, Angel Martinez Alvarez, Ryan Nguyen, Trevor Pratt, Ella Retke, Antonio Ruano, Rajvir Sondh, Gabriella Turanski, Kent Vang, Zachary Matthew Winkler, Jordan Xiong, Amos Calvillo, Liana Calvillo, Amelia Coles, Isaac Magana, Anna Nguyen, Lincoln Wessel, Eli Borlak, Jinjie Chen, Andy Feng, Evelyn Lozano, Lucy Nanzer, Mason Phu, Ayumi Fujishima, Parker Hoffstot, Alexis Lau, Avery Le, Lincoln Mac, Madison McMasters, Trinity Rowe, Karisa Saephan, Faith Anacleto, Bruce Andaluz, Brody Barrozo, Aiden Bennett, Owen Bennett, Sierra Bufford, Maci Coleman, Angela Lai, Noel Lopez Sanchez, Amelia Phelps, Luke Seavers, Mason Shaw, Mehar Sidhu, Kanan Sythanyarutt, Hannah Tran, Anya Tymochko, Braeden White, Erhan Ahmadreshad, Evelyn Bui, Owen Cronan, Caleb Hoang, Chase Pham, Katie Qu, Elliette Thach, Cameron Tran, Celine Yu, Skylar Zhou

Students of the Month

Academic

Claire Jones
Isaac Magana
Ayla Shapiro
Brandon Mccord
Olivia Parsi
Christian Paine
Jeremiah Banks
Sargi Sidhu
Mia Wiechert
Hava Andaluz
Yanneli Navarro-Rivera
Christopher Lema
Emily Borges
Maverick Congdon
Colton Enterkin
Rory French
Paisley Chavez
Mehar Sidhu
Andrew Borlak
Ryan Nguyen

Empathy & Perseverance

De'Sire Pierceson
Landon Wong
Travis Davila
Oliver Le
Agostino Hanks
Aria Lee
Noah Babak
Layla Paine
Suraya Singh
Adrien Mendizabal
Cameron Tran
Parker Hoffstot
Pepper Su
Kayla Ho
Charles Love
Arianna Perez
Lucas Wright
Riad Rashed
Remi Coffey
Athena Tarr
Ivan Torres
David Supryagin
Nash Hand
Emilio Valencia
Elizabeth McFadden
Victoria Trukhan
Mia Kumar-Pesci
Clay Green
Vera Trukhan
Saige Pitt
Jack Jones
Brooklyn Davila
Victoria Godinez Cardenas
Jaelyn Jones
Emilio Munoz Romero
Agustin Valencia
Kanan Sythanyarutt
Graham Cornell
Qismah Mohammed

Effort

Thao An Nguyen
Ezra D'Cunha
Mozhdah Ahmadi
Adelina Rivera
Alessio Valencia
Miguel Gonzalez-Franco Jr
Hamzah Nafai
Deane Bakey
Annika Otero-Frost
Evelyn Linley
Andrea Elaine Soares
Braxton Fonda
Sumaya Zeeyae
Kainoa Motoike
Max Brechbill
Braeden White
Skylar Zhou
Peyton Bok
Angel Martinez Alvarez



Accelerated Reader



BRONZE

CHASE BALLARD
NAVAAB DHILLON
ANGELA EDRALIN
SOPHIA FERNANDEZ
BRAXTON FONDA
IRIS FRITZ
JULIANA GARCIA
JAPREET GILL
NOAH GONZALES
MADISON GREGOR
SESINNA HADGU
MADELEINE HAYDN-MYER
HANHNA KHUU
KEIDEN LOERA
OWEN LOVE
QUINN MARENGO
CHASE MOUA
HAMZAH NAFI
EZRA NAUTA
KEIRA PATTERSON
CHASE RADICH
ATHENA TARR

SILVER

ROWAN MARENGO
CHRISTIAN PAINE
OLIVIA PARSI
CRUZ PEREZ
KIRA RHYNAS
MEHAR SIDHU
ZACHARY WINKLER

GOLD

JEREMIAH BANKS
HUKAM BATH
KENZIE BRENNAN
FRANKLIN CANUELA
MILA PEREZ
MADISON PHU
AVERY WESSEL

PLATINUM

BRUCE ANDALUZ
KOA BRENNAN
SIERRA BUFFORD
CRUZ DAVILA
ATLAS HERR
MILES HOSMANN
JAELYN JONES
ELI LINELY
ALICE NGUYEN
AMELIA PHELPS
SAVANNAH SHEN
SARGI SIDHU