

Sopris Elementary School

January 2018 Newsletter



Students Experiencing Success



“We are responsible, respectful and kind to ourselves, each other and our school.”

Dear Sopris Families,

After finishing a break from school and enjoying some quality family time, we turn to the opportunities offered by a new year and renewal. It is a time to think about the lessons in life that 2017 offered, set new goals and focus on things that are working in our lives. At Sopris Elementary we are reminding ourselves of our goals around improving our student’s reading skills and strengthening our school’s culture and climate. We thank you for your support at home with our reading focus. Helping to ensuring your child reads at home and that you find time to read with your child on a regular basis can be a major lever to your child’s reading success! Lastly, we are thankful for the important things we have at SES to help our kids meet their goals: strong family and school connections, amazing volunteer support, great staff, safe and healthy school culture, and strong curriculum, instruction, and programming options for our kids.

Here’s to another year of “opportunity and renewal” as we continue to grow together in 2018!

Dave and Carrie

Dave Lindenberg, Principal
Carrie Hassel, Assistant Principal

Meet our Second and Third Grade Teachers!



Second Grade Teachers

Sarah Cova
Erica Lehmkuhl
Anika Neal



Third Grade Teachers

Talitha Basom
Jamie Cure
Martha Chaney

January Habit of a Scholar: **Teamwork**

I Will...

- be a positive leader.
- use positive and encouraging words to support team members.
- ask others to participate and share their ideas.
- work well with others.
- respect my teammates.

What's happening at
SES?!



Wellness Month

We thank our fabulous SES Wellness Committee as we work to ensure our students learn and focus on all aspects of their health and wellness during January.

We will have our morning "crew time" activities for students focusing on:

- Mental / emotional health (the week of Jan 15th)
- Physical wellness and exercise (the week of Jan 22nd)
- Nutrition along with our 2nd annual "No Sugar Challenge" (the week of Jan 29th)

*During our "No Sugar Challenge" week students will be asked to only bring healthy food from home for snacks and lunches. Students who bring in unhealthy foods will have the opportunity to "swap" their unhealthy snack each morning for a healthy one provided by Safeway.

Mid-Year Test Scores Coming Home - Mid January:

NWEA/MAPs reading (3rd-5th), math (1st-5th) and language usage (5th grade only) test scores and DIBELS reading scores will be sent home by the middle of January.

PTA News

PTA Movie Night

- Friday, January 12; 6:00-8:00pm in the SES Cafeteria showing "Inside Out" - sponsored by 1st grade

Next PTA Meeting

- January 9th PTA Board Meeting at 6:00pm at Rivers

Other Parent Committee News

Wellness Committee

January is **Wellness Awareness** at Sopris!

- Jan 15th: Mental Health Week
- Jan 22nd: Physical Activity Week
- Jan 29th: Nutrition and "No Sugar in School Week"

Sopris Accountability Committee

Next Meeting: Monday January 8th 12:00-1:30pm,
Please join us if you are interested!

Sopris WatchDOGS

For you father figures who signed up to come hang with us at SES for a day, we are excited to see more of you in the school! Just call and let us know you are coming.

