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Kittens!

September News

TCES/SEC

School Year 2021-2022

News From the Principal

Important Dates:

Fall Break
Sept. 27– Oct. 15

Student Enrichment
Sept 27– Oct. 1

Parent Teacher
Conferences

Red Ribbon Week
October 25-29

Flex Fridays Begin
October 29

Dear TCES/SEC
Families,

It has been a pleasure to begin our school year in person. I am thankful to have our students on campus and with their teachers. The students are adjusting to being in classrooms with all of their classmates. Your students are learning from talented and innovative teachers. This year, our students are able to have art, music, computers, PE, and Library time in addition to their core classes in

reading, writing, math, science, and social studies.

Your students have taken several beginning of the year (BOY) tests. This is to allow the teachers to create lessons that support every student individually.

I ask you to please continue to support your students with Covid Safe Practices. Your guidance in teaching your children the importance of masks and social distancing is greatly appreciated!

We will be going into our 3-week Intersession break, from September 27-October 15, 2021. This will be the first break of this school year. I hope that our students have some rest and rejuvenation!

Best wishes,
Mrs. Bolke

TCES/SEC Principal

News From Student Council



We are very excited to be able to have Student Council this year! Applications for representatives in grades 3-5 have been submitted and elections are underway! Fifth grades students also have the opportunity to run for Student Council Office.

We have several outstanding students that have applied for the various officer positions. Campaigning will begin September 7-13, 2021. Officer elections will be taking place the last week of school before we break for intersession. The first meeting will not take

place until after fall intersession. This year our Student Council sponsors are Jim Crofford and Kayla Zuni. We look forward to sponsoring activities and fundraisers to help make our school and community a better place!

News From Art Class

I am excited to introduce myself: I'm the new art teacher here; I'm so very grateful that Rhonda Nickles is continuing to work in the art room! We are both happy to welcome students back, and we have a variety of creative challenges planned.

During this first quarter, children have been making art based on the work of Jean Michel Basquiat. They are also working on the annual exhibit for the Sierra County Fair. The dates for the fair are 10.06.21-10.09.21. Please visit the exhibit and enjoy the wonderful art that our students have made. They have

been working super hard!

We are happy to have a new flat panel in our classroom; this tool enables students to engage with art that is in the collections of the world's great museums. Here are some fun sites that your child can show you:

<https://www.tate.org.uk/kids>

<https://www.metmuseum.org/art/online-features/metkids/>

<https://haringkids.com/>

<https://www.sfmoma.org/visit/>

[sfmoma-for-kids/](https://www.sfmoma.org/visit/)

<https://www.moma.org/interactives/destination/>

Here's a way that you can help us in the art room: please send in empty (and clean) egg cartons when you finish using the eggs. We use them for paint palettes.

Thanks for your support and please email with any questions.

Thea Storz and Rhonda Nickles

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Spelling Bee News

Hi Families: Exciting news!

This winter, TCES and SEC will hold its first annual spelling bee! We have enrolled the school in the Scripps Spelling Bee program. Our school spelling champion will represent us in the El Paso Spelling Bee. The winner of THAT bee will participate in the Scripps National Spelling Bee, which will be in the late spring of 2022 in

National Harbor, Maryland. Attached to the newsletter is the 3 page study list. The program is open to students in grades K-5. Please note that during the competition, students will be given words randomly, without regard for age or grade. We will post the study list on the school's website as well as having plenty of paper copies available. For more information about the Scripps program, for study tips,

and for reading lists, please visit www.spellingbee.com

Please don't hesitate to email me with any questions.

Happy studying!

Thea Storz

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News From Music Class

Welcome to music! My name is Mrs. Harrison, and I am delighted to be able to introduce music class back into T or C Elementary school. All students have been exploring and experiencing a variety of musical concepts such as beat and rhythm. In grades k-2nd we have had a fun time introducing the concept of steady beat, the ongoing, steady, repetitive pulse that occurs in songs and music. Students have

demonstrated this by using body percussions to create steady beats. We also used my large, colorful stretchy band to work on teamwork and harmony. In grades 3rd-5th we have learned the concept of steady beat using body percussions, as well as the use of rhythm sticks to create different rhythmic patterns. Next, we will explore further the elements of rhythm as well as vocalizations.



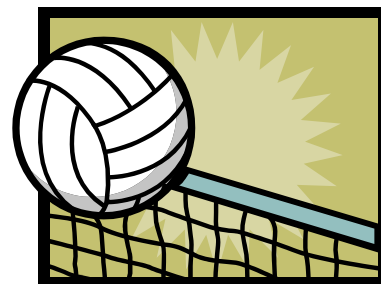
News From PE

Remember to wear tennis shoes on P.E. days. K-2nd grade are working on striking skills that will move them into volleyball skills. 3rd – 5th are working on Volleyball skills. Remember to eat healthy and exercise daily.

Thank you,
Ms. Fuss

PE Schedule:

K- Every Other Monday & Thursdays
1st- Tuesdays & Every Other Friday
2nd- Every Other Monday & Wednesdays
3rd- Every Other Monday & Wednesdays
4th- Tuesdays & Every Other Friday
5th -Every Other Monday & Thursdays



Truth or Consequences Elementary School Sierra Elementary Complex



September PTO Update

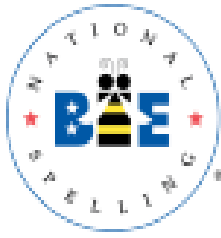
Welcome back! We hope everyone had a restful summer and a great start to the new school year!

We are hoping to start having our monthly meetings again and coming up with some new and exciting activities to do throughout the year. Please keep on the look out for flyers with the information.

We are excited to start this school year with a cool fundraiser! **SOCKS!** Everyone needs a cool pair of school socks, right? Be on the look out for more information coming in October! We can not wait to see you all sporting our school spirit.



Keep a look out for Flyers being sent home with more information on events!



Scripps National Spelling Bee

2021-2022 School Spelling Bee Study List

wide
goods
tufts
same
cove
mask
gift
mess
drill
post
logs
upon
feet
sprung
plates
bread
loud
beak
foam
oil
also
spikes
smug
shelter
frankly
found
bonnet
camera
single
Texas
alas
embers
slumped
circus
imagined

part
nook
cold
much
thing
hike
very
left
meet
bent
hat
idea
must
zoomed
matching
clock
flapped
cog
clutch
gushed
floor
speech
rapids
creak
knot
gloves
rodeo
wrenches
polish
mumble
barrels
paddles
blurted
aware
reveal

mink
jelly
lane
deer
try
car
last
rush
lid
mice
swim
singing
turning
large
track
crusts
cell
poor
knife
china
frames
shoe
slide
gutter
search
pretty
salad
goggles
dolphin
direct
clerks
whiskers
wallet
mango
ached

tummy
slow
son
silk
duckling
rage
well
gone
lisp
rope
read
kites
wanted
closed
chart
pain
cheese
power
place
stopped
studied
prize
goals
booth
crouched
baskets
cousin
inflate
skiing
detail
forty
condition
focus
firmly
fabric



SCRIPPS



Download the Word Club app for
spelling games and audio pronunciations.

detour	impolite	squiggles	because
teachers	ordinary	capture	feline
gusto	kitchen	cleat	bustling
scarf	surface	Nile	scrolls
shimmery	indent	sitcom	detect
blindfolded	basically	squints	s'mores
clobbered	relative	cringed	drone
rattled	indie	eyesore	playlist
throat	hull	outright	squabbling
scuba	trickster	glib	sneer
absent	texture	scuffle	irregular
**savor OR	hedgehog	stoats	talons
savour	wardrobe	revved	dire
inclined	vibrant	wizard	nudged
masthead	shrine	Jamestown	pineapple
Leghorn	gauze	exception	cavity
crockery	notification	ogre	simplicity
Neptune	archduke	dingoes	passersby
lavished	Juneteenth	parsnips	curtains
nada	loneliness	caverns	novice
adorned	dedicated	symbol	reduce
invasions	ostriches	grudgingly	canopy
destination	classified	telescope	fidgeting
scrawny	surrounded	associated	furthermore
mulberry	dependable	summit	conkers
weird	dormitories	tuxedo	decimal
mutual	orientation	inlaid	cobblestone
alibi	sardine	contraption	technique
devious	triplicate	emboldened	Javas
flaxen	Wales	Avalon	corridor
biome	columns	cubicle	interjected
cardigan	cambric	hackles	faltered
withered	granite	radiation	wattles
Lincoln	surveyed	emitting	preened
tartan	contorted	charlotte	elation
wretched	chai	metropolis	mousse
expanse	acutely	granules	pedestals
contessa	renowned	colleagues	invigorating
wreaked	dutifully	mournful	professional
sudoku	arid	deceptively	sustenance
exerts	intentionally	cocoon	motley
reflexology	ranchero	intolerance	gluten
fetlocks	mystified	swankiest	clouting
pulverized OR	demeanor OR	mallet	Singapore
*pulverised	*demeanour	disembodied	Korea

*chiefly British spelling

**preferred spelling

morbidity	aisles	unsportsmanlike	ensnarement
referral	proctors	trodden	torturous
stalemate	aerials	surgeon	Judaism
appeasement	thoroughfare	transgressions	abdomen
instinctive	liability	pendant	propensity
convictions	infectious	Minnesota	adversity
lineage	intestine	discriminating	exile
drudgery	coaxing	permanence	larkspur
heirloom	ransacked	renal	menorahs
russet	pallid	**kimchi OR	mete
heresy	topologically	kimchee	brocade
dispensation	perdition	burgundy	porcine
bantlings	Richter scale	incorrigibles	congealing
padre	prioress	palpable	coronation
chaplain	mien	embroidery	scree
herbalist	fainted	resinous	Cantonese
adduced	fortuitous	humus	guarantor
transept	impertinent	poultice	Darwinism
mortification	condescendingly	fractious	phenomenal
aversion	covenant	rhetorical	semblance
vuvuzela	primordial	throes	assassinate
Wiesbaden	adzuki	moppet	d'orsay
condyles	Montmorency	allée	ducats
Chelonia	Yom Kippur	justaucorps	kaddish
quatrains	Quasimodo	Firenze	lachrymose
hawser	katabatic	Helvetia	fata morgana
linsey-woolsey	Bayreuth	bivouac	plastron
abalones	Albion	vambrace	coracle
Confucianism	repast	paschal	aquiline
Mantua	Chaucerian	Bloomsbury	Carlisle
Durham	Jains	Edinburgh	Arapaho OR
bier	derrick	ziggurat	Arapahoe
refectory	Des Moines	Kerala	chandleries
presidio	conurbation	Sioux	