Acorn, Week of December 2nd



Important Dates

12/7 Walk into Winter Faire
12/10 Finance Committee 4:15pm
12/10 Facilities Committee 6:30pm
12/12 Winter Concert 6pm
12/17 Charter Council Meeting 6pm
12/20 (Minimum Day- No Afterschool Programs, no Kindercare)
12/23-1/6 Winter Break
12/23 Winter Camp Day- Whoville Holiday Theme (Sign ups in December)
12/27 Winter Camp Day- Let's Glow (Sign ups in December)
12/30 Winter Camp Day (Sign ups in December)
1/3 Winter Camp Day (Sign ups in December)
1/6 Winter Camp Day- Indoor Camping (Sign ups in December)

From the Director

The Holidays are a busy time. We are grateful for everyone and the efforts you put into the school. A Special Thanks to Nicole Tonelli, who has been the Parent Council Chair for the last two years and has done an excellent job keeping it organized and moving forward. Another thank you to Michelle Greene, who has taken on the work. The Chico Unified Board approved our architect's contract. He is beginning the work and attended our Land Blessing yesterday. The proposal is to have the planning completed in March. We are working with a local firm, RGA. Thank you to the Facilities Committee and the Charter Council for their work vetting the various proposals and making this important decision.

We are saddened and heightened by the events in Palermo this week. This is hard news. I appreciate the comments and concerns shared with me. Thank you. I will send an additional post this weekend with information on our drills and what you can do to help.

That's it! I'm looking forward to seeing you for Walk Into Winter and the Winter Concert.

With Gratitude, Susan Domenighini

Angel Tree

Our annual Angel Tree program is back! This initiative provides gifts to children in need within our school. Here's how you can participate:

- Pick up an "angel" tag from the tree in the school lobby. Each tag represents a child and includes their age and gift wish.
- Purchase an unwrapped gift for your chosen "angel."
- Return the unwrapped gift, with the original tag attached, to the front office by December 13th.

Your generosity can make a significant difference in a child's holiday experience! We're grateful for your support in making this program successful. Together, we can spread joy and kindness throughout our community this holiday season.

If you know of a family struggling during this season, you may discreetly send us an email and we can reach out to them!





Land Blessing Ceremony - New School Site

We were honored to host a special Land Blessing ceremony at our new school site, conducted by Elder Ramirez who recognized and paid respect to the land on which our school will be built.

The Land Blessing is an important cultural practice that connects us to the history and spirit of the local area. Elder Ramirez, a respected elder from the Mechoopda Indian Tribe of Chico Rancheria, led us in honoring the land and invoking blessings for the successful completion of our new school.



Thank You!

A huge shout out to Luke Buyert and Life Community Church, they put together a gift bag with goodies, gift cards and a hand written note for every single Blue Oak staff member. Everyone was delighted to get the bags this week!

Walk Into Winter Faire- Dec 7th

Chilly air means it's time for our Winter Faire!

Tomorrow from 10-3 here on site.

Come celebrate winter with your Blue Oak Community. We will feature many vendor booths (from our classes to community partners) that will be an amazing opportunity for some holiday shopping! The Parent Council will also host a refreshment bar, live music, a photo booth, and a lighted holiday walk.



Winter Concert- Dec 12th at 6pm

Mark your calendars for our annual Blue Oak School Winter Concert. Thursday, December 12th from 6 to 8pm in the Great Room.

This is a wonderful event to share with your families. There will be food, drinks and baked goods available for purchase starting at 5pm so come early and fill up before the evening begins as well as getting good seats to watch your children perform!



Nothing Bundt Cakes Fundraiser: A Huge Success!

We are thrilled to announce that our Nothing Bundt Cakes fundraiser was a tremendous success!

Overall, our classrooms sold an impressive grand total of \$4,377.00, earning \$1,313.10. The funds raised by each classroom will go directly into their classroom fund!

A special congratulations to 7th Grade, who led the charge by bringing in the most sales, totaling \$1,030 in vouchers and earning their class \$309.00 towards their upcoming field trip!

Additionally, a big shoutout to Uma from third grade for being the top seller in the entire school!

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated. Your efforts have made a significant impact, and we couldn't have done it without you.

Classroom Results:

1st Grade sold \$528.00, earning \$158.40 2nd Grade sold \$361.00, earning \$108.30 3rd Grade sold \$646.00, earning \$193.80 4th Grade sold \$404.00, earning \$121.50 5th Grade sold \$183.00, earning \$54.90 6th Grade sold \$344.00, earning \$103.20 7th Grade sold \$1,030.00, earning \$309.00 8th Grade sold \$880.00, earning \$264.00

We look forward to another exciting schoolwide fundraiser for Nothing Bundt Cakes in the spring. Stay tuned!

Thank you again for your incredible support!



Girls on the run begins December 10th

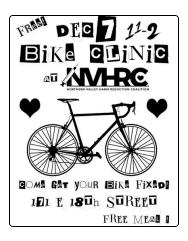
Practices are Wednesdays and Fridays 3:15-4:45 starting February 5th and ending April 30th!

Community Schools Corner

Celebrating Cultural Foods

Check out the flyer below!





Free Bike Clinic Repair

Sat 12/7/24 11AM-2PM at 171 E 18th St. Chico. A free meal is included at the event.

Virtues				
Hold REVERENCE	Have COURAGE	Build FRIENDSHIPS	Seek WISDOM	Show COMPASSION
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday