
A growth mindset is thinking that you are able and can do something.

~Aubrey G. 5th Grade

Important Dates:

January 8 – School Tour @ 9:30 (prospective parents)

January 12 – Pride Assemblies

January 15 – Closed, MLK Jr. Day

January 16 – PTO/SAC meeting 6:00 P.M.

January 22 – 4th Grade Musical Performance

January 22 – Sand Creek Zone Partners Meeting @ Horizon 5:30–7:30

Principal's Post

Happy New Year! I hope that everyone had a great break and time to spend with friends and family. You may or may not be a New Year's Resolution maker. Making resolutions at the start of the new year can be helpful in reflecting on how to be better. Growth is something we talk quite a bit about here at Springs Ranch. Having a **growth mindset is important** to have. Our learners who believe that they can and will learn show the most growth over time. This growth mindset can help students keep at it, keep trying, and never quit. With this type of attitude, we can expect great success. It's not just our students that need a growth mindset, so do we. When we, as adults, believe in the success of our students it highly impacts their achievement. So, whether you call it a resolution or not, commit to **encouraging your child daily** so that they will develop that growth mindset to become the best that they can be.



Amber Farnot “passes the baton” to Linda Shabeck, our new Attendance Secretary!

Did you know?

- Did you know that our attendance secretary, **Amber Farnot**, has decided to return to being a stay at home mom?
- Did you know that **Linda Shabeck** has taken over the duties of attendance secretary? This means you won't see Linda as a crossing guard or lunch monitor, but can catch her at the front desk.
- Did you know that **Ana Deary** has joined our group of crossing guards?
- Did you know that 5th grade students from SRES will be competing in **Battle of the Books** at the end of April?

*A growth
mindset makes
you smarter!*

*~Will S.
4th grade*

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Ten Ways to Ask Your Child About Their Day!

We have all asked our kids, “So how was school today?” Sometimes that gets a very limited response. Here are ten ways to ask about your child’s day without actually saying, “How was your day?”

1. **What was the best thing that happened at school today?**
2. **Tell me something that made you laugh today.**
3. **Where is the coolest place in school?**
4. **If I called your teacher tonight what would she tell me about you?**
5. **How did you help somebody today?**
6. **How did somebody help you today?**
7. **What do you think you should do/learn more of at school?**
8. **If you got to be the teacher tomorrow, what would you do?**
9. **What feedback did you get today?**
10. **Tell me about 3 different times you used your pencil today at school.**

Of course, the responses to these questions may require some follow up. We encourage you to keep the conversation open and let your child talk. We also encourage you to share with your child’s teacher thoughts that your child communicates to you. In February, we will be having student led conferences. Student led conferences are a great opportunity to hear how your child is doing from both your child and their teacher.

From the PTO

Happy New Year! Our next PTO meeting will be on January 16 at 6:00 P.M. We are thankful for all our volunteers and parents that help out throughout the year. Thank you for your participation in fundraising. Our PTO was able to contribute \$6000.00 toward the purchase of Chromebooks to be used by SRES students. Increasing student access to technology is an area that PTO will be supporting in the future as well.

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