



Principal Eagle Updates February 2020



Celebrations: Happy Lunar New Year! 2020 is the year of the Rat. Similar to our Gregorian New Year, it is customary to start the new year with a clean house and a family dinner on New Year's Eve. The Lunar New Year celebration lasts 15 days. During this time, you will see a lot of red in decorations and clothing as it is believed to be a lucky color. I hope you have a very prosperous and healthy Year of the Rat!

At Encinita, our students enjoyed a New Year Celebration with a martial arts demonstration and lion dancers thanks to PTA funds, and student performances by our Kindergarten, preschool and ASES students. It was spectacular!

February is also Black History Month. Our students will learn how African-Americans played an integral role in forming present-day American culture. It presents Americans of all races and genders with the opportunity to learn, appreciate, and reflect on the strides African-Americans have made during their race's history.

Habit of the Month- Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to be Understood

Communication is the most important skill in life. You spend years learning how to read and write, and years learning how to speak. But what about listening? What training have you had that enables you to listen so you really, deeply understand another human being? This month, our community will work on listening to understand, not necessarily with the intent to reply.

Let's Stay Healthy

Here are some daily habits to help prevent illnesses:

1. Wash your hands after touching communal surfaces.
2. Keep your hands away from your face.
2. Clean all communal surfaces daily.
3. Stay 3 feet away from someone coughing or sneezing.
4. Always wash your hands before you eat.

Receive text messages for emergencies and reminders by texting **@encinita2** to **81010**

Upcoming Events:

PTA Founder's Day

PTA Founder's Day Celebration is on Wednesday, February 5 from 6-7 pm. Our PTA will be honoring our Service Award recipients for going above and beyond for our Encinita Community. 2nd and 5th grade students will perform a skit and sing songs to celebrate diversity with the theme: *The World is a Rainbow*. If you can't make it in the evening, our students will be performing at 1:15 pm as well. All are welcome to join us.

Mandarin Dual Language Immersion Program (DLIP) Parent Meeting

On Wednesday, February 12, we will hold a parent information meeting in our MPR from 6-7 pm about our upcoming 2020-2021 Kindergarten Dual Language Mandarin Immersion Program. Come learn about how your incoming Kindergartener can be fluent in Mandarin!

Dates to Remember:

- 2/03: No School; Staff Development Day
- 2/04: PTA Board Meeting at 4 pm
- 2/05: Late Start at 9:30 am
LCAP meeting at 5:15 pm in MPR
Founder's Day at 6pm in MPR
- 2/06: District Board Meeting at 7:30 pm
- 2/07: Mobile Eye Clinic for Kindergarten
- 2/12: Mandarin DLIP Parent Mtg at 6 pm
- 2/14: No School- Lincoln's Birthday
- 2/17: No School- President's Day
- 2/18: SSC/ELAC Meeting at 2:30 pm
- 2/21: Coffee with the Principal at 8 am
- 2/25: Jog-a-thon Kick Off

