

Calendar of Events

January 2nd - 5th

No school for students

January 6th

Students return to school
2nd 9 weeks ends

January 11th

Report cards go home

January 12th

Class pictures
7am- King Tut parent meeting
6pm- King Tut parent meeting

January 13th

King Tut field trip
(Washington, Tortorich, Jones, Mitchell
Potts and Helmick)

January 16th

MLK holiday, no school

January 20th

King Tut field trip
(Marquez, Harrison, Signorino, Hill,
Robison, Bryan, and Bueche)

January 25th

Papers go home

January 26th

BETA Club induction @ 9am

January 27th

King Tut field trip
(Black, Miller, Parker, Graham,
Walters and Yancey)

January 30th

Book Fair opens
5th grade Grandparents Night @ 6pm

January 30th – February 3rd

Book Fair

February 2nd

4th grade Grandparents Night @ 6pm

Miscellaneous News

Spanish

Student of the Month:

Joshua Jemison -4th
Deja Stepter-5th

Class of the Month:

Mrs. Rickett's home room

PBIS tip...

Clearly State your Expectations in Advance

Some undesirable behavior occurs because your child can't act differently, other times it is because your child simply doesn't want to act differently. Either way it helps for you to remember that your child cannot read your mind. Be sure to give your child clear instruction so he/she knows exactly what it is that you want them to do and how you expect them to behave.



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From the Principal

Every year at this time I ask my parents what they want for Christmas, and for the last several years their response has followed the same lines. "We don't need anything. We're doing fine. What we need you can't give us." These are the answers that I usually receive, shrug off, and forge forward with my gift purchase. My father is 88 and my mother is 84, and I'm starting to understand that last answer a little more clearly. Perhaps it's because I remember

when my dad turned 50. He said he was old at that time. I remember telling him, "You're not old, you're only half grown." Now that I am approaching the half grown mark, I'm thinking a little more about their last answer. Time is something that no other person can give you. The only thing we can do is wisely use what time we have allotted. I pray that you and I will have that wisdom this holiday season. Time is truly the only gift that we

cannot receive from another, but we can spend it on people and purposes that are dear to our heart. I hope you and your family enjoy a wonderful Christmas.



Alyssa Adams	Hannah Amy	Grace Booth
Christian Bremermann	Cheyenne Dillon	Aushaunte Domengeaux
Ayshia Dunn	Brian Edwards	Jay Ellzey
Alyssa Haddox	Tanner Hall	Trenyti Henderson
Trent Hopkins	Cameron Hull	Kaleigh Hutchinson
Dylan Jackson	Piolet Jaech	Deidrick Johnson
Camryn Lankin	Beau Lockhart	Matthew Mahan
Sydni McKneely	Brie Moss	Caecilia Norris
Justiss Patin	Jessica Robinson	Ethan Russell
Joshua Simmons	Ariel Smith	Brandon Smith
Tyrin Stewart	Micah Taylor	Arian Verdun
	Cade Baker	

News from the Classes

4th grade

As we head into January, the 4th grade students are gearing up for the BIG LEAP TEST! We are encouraging the students to do their very best everyday. If they make it a habit now, it will only come naturally on the Leap test and in everyday life.

In Reading, we will continue to work on skills such as cause and effect, drawing conclusions, and fact and opinion. Have your child read the story we are working on in class aloud to you from the on-line Think Central. They each have a password that allows them to receive on-line help with the story. It will read it aloud to them, as well as, review vocabulary words and skills for each story.

In Language, we will be working on irregular verbs, special verb “be”, contractions using not, narrative writing, poetry and informational resources. Please encourage your child to use the strategies they have been taught when doing their homework or taking a test.

In Spelling, continue to review words and encourage your child to know the meaning of the words, not just the spelling.

King Tut field trip is right around the corner. Please make sure that all fees have been paid so your child will be able to attend. Their conduct grade has to be at least a “C” average for them to be able to attend.

Education starts at home, and is carried over in the classroom. If your child knows your expectations of them are high for their education, they will rise to your expectations. Let’s encourage them to always do their best.

Fourth Grade will continue to conquer the multiplication and division facts. Please work on those facts nightly. We will be working on patterns, before moving into Multiplying 2 and 3 digits by 1 digit numbers in Ch. 10. Then we will move into Geometry.

We will begin observing the moon and will learn about the planets and other objects in space.

Our classes will travel to Houston throughout the month of January for the long awaited trip to see the treasures from King Tut’s tomb. Students will begin to study these wonderful treasures. The study of United States symbols, time lines, then and now from Ch. 3 will continue to be our unit of study after King Tut.

Students should work on louisianapass.org as often as possible to work on LEAP skills. LEAP testing dates are: Phase I March 20 and Phase II April 12, 13, 16 and 17.

Also, please check with your child to see if they need new colors, scissors, or glue.

5th grade

There are tons of things going on in fifth grade this month. We are moving right along in Math. Currently we are learning to divide. This includes both remainders and no remainders. When we get back from our Christmas break, we will begin working with data and graphs. The fifth grade students at Copper Mill are exploring the world of explorers in Social Studies. We are learning about the famous voyages of Marco Polo, the Vikings, and Columbus, and how these famous men changed the world. We will move onto the colonization of America at the beginning of the new year. Our Science classes are busy classifying animals and plants this month. This includes the usage of dichotomous keys. It won’t be long until we move onto the life cycles, energy usage, and adaptations of the animals of the world. We are also excited about our field trip to see the one and only Slim Goodbody! Our students are preparing by learning the songs of the human body. We can’t wait for January 18th!

We have been working so hard with our reading

skills and strategies. We are comparing and contrasting different elements with each story to help us with comprehension. We also learned how to identify cause and effect in our nonfiction stories. Our next skill to focus on in reading is “making inferences”.

We have spent many weeks working on verbs in Language. We have been writing using different tenses of verbs. We are moving onto identifying and using adverbs. We will use these adverbs and adjectives with our next style of writing, Descriptive Writing.

Our students are excited about presenting their Nonfiction Brochures to their classmates. Our next book project will focus on a biography/ autobiography. Each student should begin looking for this genre to read. They are looking forward to “dressing up” like their important person when presenting their project.

READ, READ, READ! Students should continue to work on their reading goal. Remember our fifth grade reading goal is 30 books (60 pages)!

We want to wish all of you a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!



400 Point Club:

Haley Chavez

300 Point Club:

Colt Crain

Samuel Harkrider

Isabelle Plauche

Logan Thompson

200 Point Club:

Kyle Trantham

100 Point Club:

Colin Albarez

Katy Knecht
Kaytlyn Williams
David Gang

100 Point Club continued:

Wesley Babin
Mackenzie Newman
Kaitlyn Musselman
Josette Reichman
Daniel Lavinghouse
Dana Ward
McKenna Smith
Joshua Burns
Donavan Norris
Emily Simpson
Caleb Horn
Zachary Nalepa
Victoria Coco
Sam Cottingim
Conner Hartline
Paige Veal

75 Point Club:

William Sanford
Shalimar Hollins
McKinley Sherman
Brailyn King
Ella Lalonde
Elyse Duplantier
Elizabeth Cavell
Caroline Fontenot
Julie Odom
Katie Mestayer
Caleb Sartin
Stephanie Tynes
Earielle London
Caleb A Johnson
Jasmine Terrell
Laura Hodges
Alexandra Barton