

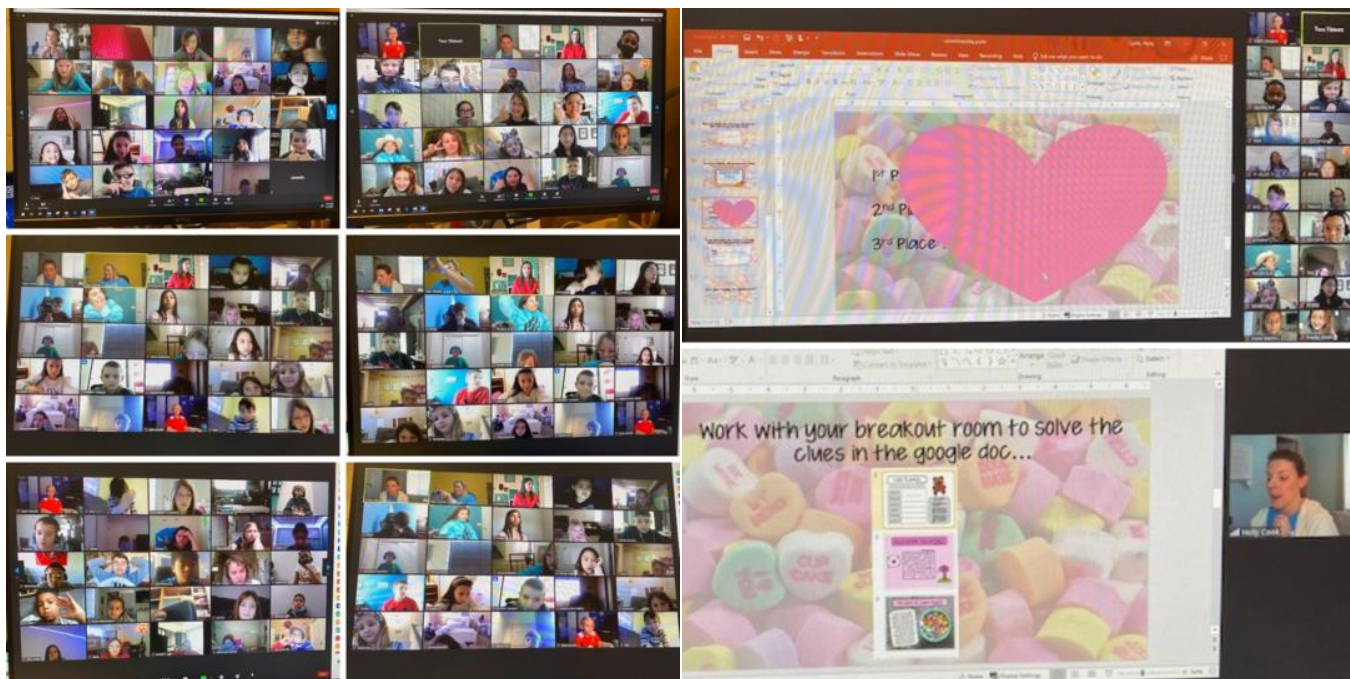


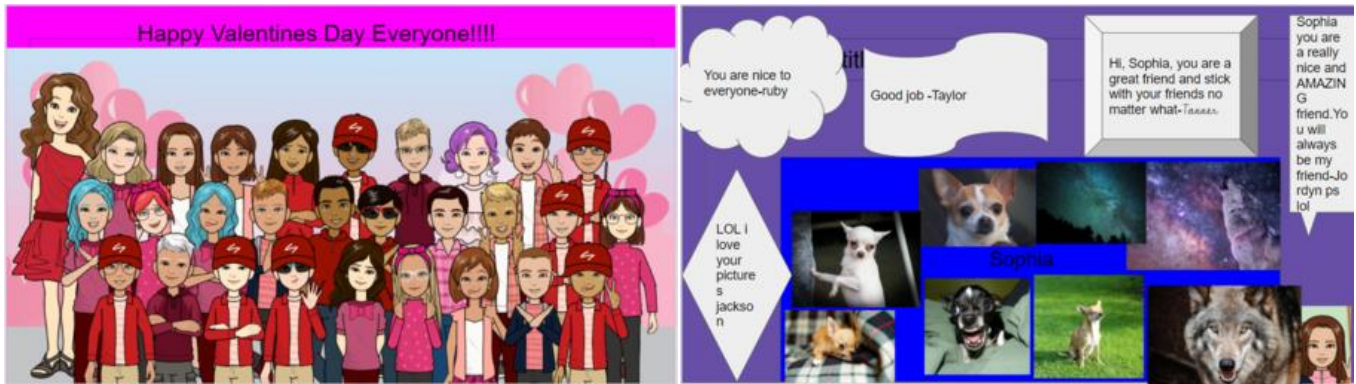
February 12, 2021

## Celebrating Friendship!

Our entire fourth grade celebrated Valentine's Day completing an Escape Room via Zoom today. They had 60 minutes to look for clues and break out of their room. Mrs. Cook made an amazing presentation and the students had so much fun socializing in their breakout rooms.

A student leader in 5th Grade, Sophia L., put together a special digital celebration to celebrate Valentine's Day with her class. Sophia created a Google slide for each student that was a virtual "Valentines Box" and each student had an opportunity to decorate their box with images. The slide also had little shapes that were text boxes. Students visited their classmates slides to add special friendship messages to the text boxes. The project was so amazing and showed great leadership! Mrs. Diapoulis shared her presentation with the other 5th grade teachers who ended up using it with their classes as well.



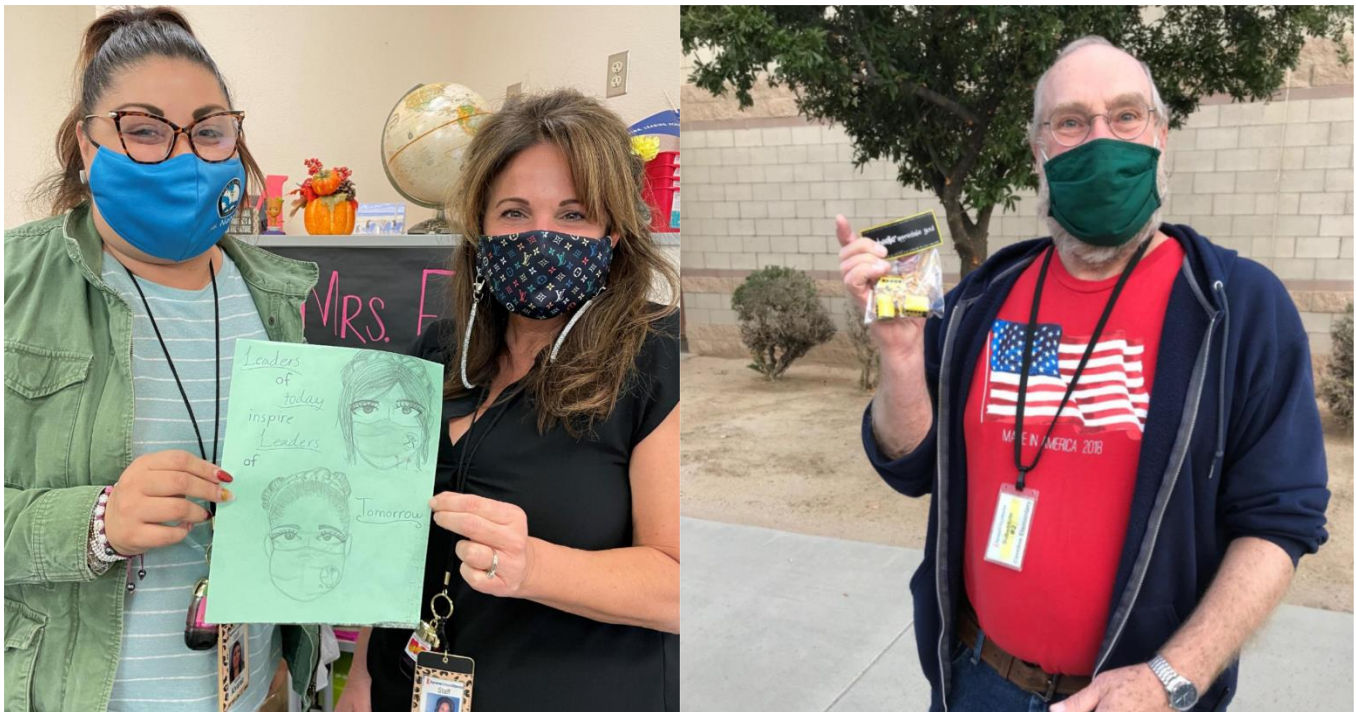


## A Few Staff Shout-Outs

Kahlen H in 5th grade drew a sweet picture of Ms. Alvarez and Mrs. Sansbury who are two amazing staff members leading one of our on-site supervision rooms. She is a talented artist and we are so grateful for our support staff who are supporting our students.

We WHEELIE appreciate you Mr. Ski! Today, transportation came by Cerritos to give Mr. Ski a special treat. We are so lucky to have one of our Kyrene amazing bus drivers at Cerritos. Mr. Ski manages one of our onsite supervision classrooms and supervises all outdoor recess times. Thank you so much.

Congratulations to Ms. Brown who is getting married this weekend!



## Upcoming Events



Feb 15: No School - President's Day

Feb 23: Take out Tuesday at Panda Express

Feb 24-26: Parent Teacher Conferences, early release all 3 days at 12:30 p.m.

March 8-12: No School - Spring Break

March 15: No School - Teacher Work Day

March 16: Spring Picture Day

[View Full Calendar](#)

## Important Messages!

- **PE Equipment:** Students will need 1 die (or small pieces of paper numbered 1-6) and 1 set of drumsticks (paper towel rolls, rolled up paper, unsharpened pencils, rulers etc.)
- **Are you getting our text messages?** If you would like to opt in to receive text messages from Cerritos please text "Y" or "Yes" to 67587.
- **Distance Learning:** Per the recent emails sent out from Kyrene, we are preparing to welcome back students who selected In Person Learning for Quarter 3. **In Person students will return Tuesday, March 16, while Flex Distance Learning students will continue to learn from home.** In March, families will be given instructions to confirm or change your selection for Quarter 4, which begins April 5.
- **Early Release Days:** Kyrene School District will be reintroducing early release dates into the calendar for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year. Students are encouraged to use early release dates for independent study, homework catch up, social-emotional activities and self-reflection. Our next Early Release Day is **Friday, February 26.** Students will be dismissed at **12:30 p.m.** including students in the On-Site Supervision program.



## QUICKLINKS

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## 5th Grade Transition to Middle School

Our 5th grade students had the opportunity to talk with staff from Altadena during classroom visits yesterday!

Parents, please complete this digital form <https://forms.gle/pZAo3KYZxBLGNkqU6> (elective interest sheet) prior to entering student information online. This form and the course descriptions included in it will support families in expressing their elective course interests and also serve as a draft for the final selection completed by your child at school.

Next week, on February 18 and 19th, parents may [follow these directions](#) for viewing their child's core and elective course information in ParentVUE.

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## Parent Teacher Conferences

Conferences are coming up February 24-26 and this is a great opportunity to collaborate with your child's teacher on their academic, social/emotional, and behavioral progress, as well as their WIGS (Wildly Important Goals) for this quarter.

**We will have early release at 12:30 p.m. on all 3 conference days. Thank you for being proactive and marking this on your calendar!**

Please use the Sign Up Genius link in the email from your child's classroom teacher to schedule your date/time. Thank you in advance for making time to come to conferences and celebrate your child(ren). [Read some tips on how to prepare for your conferences.](#)

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## Take Out Tuesday - Panda Express

Our next Takeout Tuesday is on **February 23, 2021**, 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Panda Express, 4025 E. Chandler Blvd. Cerritos will earn 20% from our sales ALL DAY! Must show flyer to receive fundraising credit. Place your online orders for pick up at [order.pandaexpress.com](https://order.pandaexpress.com) - enter promo code 316063 to earn fundraising credit. Click [here](#) for event flyer.

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## Thank you to our PTO

We really appreciate the PTO hospitality team for spoiling our teachers with yummy and adorable Valentine's Day cookies.

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## PTO Meeting & Nominations

**It's Time to Get on Board!** PTO is now accepting nominations for leadership roles for the 2021-2022 PTO Executive Board. Get involved in making Cerritos the best school it can be! Click [here](#) to learn more about Board positions or to nominate yourself or another parent at Cerritos.

**Next PTO Meeting** is Monday, March 8, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. PTO Needs You! Board member nominations and planning for next school year is underway. Log-on to learn the many ways you can contribute to the success of our school! Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/2666062320>  
Meeting ID: 266 606 232

### Coming Soon - March Restaurant Spirit Days

- Modern Market, Tuesday, 3/2/21, 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. 4901 E. Ray Rd. Ste. 100, Phoenix AZ 85044
- Honey Baked Ham Fundraiser. Online Orders Begin 3/15/21 - 3/30/21. Pick up @ Cerritos on 4/1/21, 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.
- MOD Pizza, Tuesday, 3/23/21, 10:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. 4025 E. Chandler Blvd. Ste. 74, Phoenix AZ 85048

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## Cerritos Virtual Book Fair Ends Sunday - February 14

Last Chance! Only 2 days left to shop at our Book Fair! Every dollar you spend will benefit our school directly (25% back in rewards!). In addition, each teacher will receive Scholastic credit to purchase new books for their classroom. It's a WIN/WIN shopping experience!

If you haven't already done so, check it out! All orders ship directly to your home plus free shipping on book-only orders \$25 or more! Click [here](#) to visit the Cerritos Online Book Fair!

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## Yearbook - Important Deadlines

- **2020-2021 Cerritos Yearbook Online Orders Are Now Open.** This school year is a unique educational experience for all, and our yearbook will be a uniquely different book of memories than we have ever had before. Be sure to [order your book](#) of Cerritos Strong memories! Yearbook order deadline is **May 21, 2021**.
- **Attention 5th Grade Parents.** 5th Grade Love Notes are available to purchase during the yearbook ordering process. 5th grade parents can buy this as an additional option for \$8. While ordering online, in addition to purchasing a yearbook, please click on "recognition ad" to purchase your "love note." The deadline for 5th grade love notes is **March 12, 2021**,

therefore 5th Grade Parents who wish to buy a “love note” will need to complete your online yearbook order by March 12, 2021.

- **Photos Wanted!** The Yearbook Committee needs photos of your student’s school experience. Great photos to send in would be students dressed up for Spirit Days, enjoying Takeout Tuesdays, students learning at home (please do not include computer screen), at home learning areas, Get Fit with Speedy, Turkey Trot, reading at home, or any learning-based activities. Please email to: [historian@cerritospto.org](mailto:historian@cerritospto.org)

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