

April 25, 2012

Book of the Week:

Cinderella's Rat
by Susan Meddaugh

Summary: Susan Meddaugh, author of the popular Martha the talking dog books, uses her wit and animated art to tell the story of an ordinary rat caught in extraordinary circumstances.



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Mid Week Message

STAR Testing

The California STAR testing window opened on Monday, April 23 for students in 2nd through 8th grade. Testing will continue until Friday, May 4.

Being prepared for testing is important. Please ensure that your students get a good night's sleep, a good breakfast, and that they arrive at school on time.

The Kit Carson Board has approved free breakfast for all students during testing. Free breakfast will be served from 7:45-8:15 each day from April 23 to May 4, 2012. There will be no second chance breakfast during this time.

Board Meeting

Kit Carson will hold it's next regular scheduled Board Meeting tonight, Wednesday, April 25, 2012 at 6:30 pm in the staff room. All are welcome to attend.

Upcoming Fieldtrips

Mrs. Chrisman's Kinder Kids will be going to the Dias Dairy on Friday, April 27th.

Our 2nd graders will be traveling to the Fresno Zoo on Tuesday, May 8th

PTC Meeting

The next Kit Carson PTC meeting will be held on Monday, May 7th at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. Nominations for next years board will be accepted. Please get involved. All are welcome to attend. Childcare will be provided.

8th grade Memory Photos Needed

We are putting together the 8th grade slide show for graduation. Please save your photos on a disk or memory stick and send to the office as soon as possible. Please put your name on the disk or memory stick so that we may return it to you.

Minimum Day/Open House

We will be hosting our open house on Thursday, May 17th at 6:00 p.m. All parents are encouraged to attend to see students progress since the beginning of the school year.

Pee-Wee Track Meet

Pee-Wee track meet is scheduled for Friday, May 11th. All K-3rd graders will participate. The meet will start at 12:30.

Due to the track meet, lunch will be served 1/2 hour earlier. They will begin to serve at 11:00 for kindergarteners.

Grandparents Breakfast

All Kit Carson's Grandparents are invited to attend the breakfast of Cinnamon Rolls and Coffee with their grandchild on Friday, May 18th from 7:30-9:15. Each breakfast is \$1.50 and order forms are due to the office on Monday, May 7th. Advance orders only will be accepted. Order Forms will be sent home soon.

Island Photography will be here to take pictures. Photos are \$3.00 each. Presale of tickets for photographing is taken early to avoid huge line.

Character Counts

Character Counts at Kit Carson
The staff at Kit Carson has adopted the principles of the CHARACTER COUNTS program:

- TRUSTWORTHINESS
- RESPECT
- RESPONSIBILITY
- FAIRNESS
- CARING
- CITIZENSHIP

Please encourage these traits in your children at home as we continue to encourage them at school!



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Absence & Homework Hotline

Please call if your child is or will be absent from school.

The Absence Hotline number is 582-2843— dial 2 to connect to the school, then 2 to report absent (24 hours) and/or request homework.

You may also access this Web Page and other information from the Kit Carson Web Page at:

www.kitcarsonschool.com

Sports Information

It's softball time. Following is the season schedule.

Thursday, April 26th	at Kings River	3:30 p.m.
Friday, April 27th	at Kit Carson	3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 1st	at Kit Carson	3:30 p.m.
Friday, May 4th	at Kit Carson	3:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 12th	Tournament at Lakeside	TBD

Students entering 7th grade

All students entering 7th grade next school year will need proof of a Tdap booster shot test before starting school. This requirement:

- Began July 1, 2011
- Can be met by receiving one dose of Tdap vaccine on or after the 10th birthday (the Tdap can be accepted if given on or after the 7th birthday, but the vaccine is generally not recommended this early)
- Can NOT be satisfied by a Td booster or having history of the disease
- Applies to both public and private schools.

In addition, ALL incoming 7th graders for the 2012-2013 school year will be required by Kings County to have a documented TB skin test within 6 months PRIOR to the start of school. (Children who left out of Kings County anytime during 7th grade to beginning of 8th) will also need a TB skin test. (this means that all current 7th graders who had their TB skin test done are okay for 8th grade UNLESS a student left Kings County to go to Mexico, India, etc. OR lived in Tulare, Fresno, or any other county and is returning to Kings County.

Tiger Society

Tiger Society is planned for May 15th for our 4-8th grade students. They will be going to Adventure Park in Visalia. If your student is eligible to attend, they will be receiving a permission slip soon. Eligibility is based on:

- having no citations second trimester;
- earning a 2.0 and above G.P.A.;
- having no more than 5 detentions (lunch/after school) this quarter;
- having no more than 4 tardies second trimester;
- no outstanding lunch or latchkey balance;
- teacher's discretion.

8th Grade Information

Parents, it is time to think, talk, and plan for 8th grade graduation. Following are upcoming events for your 8th grader.

- May 30-31- Southern California Trip
- June 1- Water Park
- June 4- Sports vs Staff
- June 4- Graduation Practice (10:30-12:00)
- June 5- Award Assembly
- June 5- Graduation Practice (10:30 -12:00)
- June 6- Graduation Practice (8:30-Noonish)
- June 6- Individual Cap & Gown or Graduation photos
- June 6- Graduation
- June 7- Last Day of School (minimum Day)