## Cat Tales

Union Elementary Newsletter

**May Edition** 

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### Principal's News

A letter from Mrs. Benefield

#### Dear Parents:

I absolutely cannot believe we are in the final weeks of another school year! It has been another awesome year and we truly thank you for your support and involvement in your child's education. We are very proud of our students and teachers and all the hard work they have put in during Georgia Milestones; thanks for making sure the kids were here and ready!

We have three weeks of school left and instruction will continue right up until the last day, so attendance continues to be very important! During these final days, classroom teachers

and support staff are providing instruction to remediate, enrich and support our students as we prepare for them to move to the next grade level. We also have countless events and activities going on between now and the end of the year; we look forward to seeing you at many of those. We appreciate sharing the lives of your children and we appreciate the trust you place in us to do so.

Have a wonderful, safe and happy summer!

Mrs. Benefield

# in May

Important Events

May 10<sup>th</sup> – Yearbook Dedication

May 15<sup>th</sup> – Puppet Show for Kindergarten and First

May 17<sup>th</sup> –PTA Volunteer Breakfast

May 20<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Bash

May 21<sup>st</sup> – Field Day for Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>

May 22<sup>nd</sup> – Field Day for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Senior Walk at 1:30.

May 23<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Bash 10 to 2, Kindergarten Graduation 8:15 to 9:30, Third Grade Awards 10:30 to 11:15.

May 24<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Awards 10-11, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Walk 11:45 to 12, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade awards 8:15 to 9., 1<sup>st</sup> Grade 9:30 to 10:15, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade 10 to 10:45.

### Views from the Art World

We are going out of the art room with a bang this year and the kids are making the most beautiful work here in the last stretch of school. Hopefully we will get to finish everything and still have time for a little collaborative art with PE. Check out what we have been up to lately and what we are currently working on... The

Littles (Grades k-1): These amazing artists just finished a mixed media collage of our spring flowers and snails using clay, watercolors, crayons and paper collage. After that we did a quick drawing and painting lesson with Kites. This week we are learning about artist Wayne Thiebaud. We have been stamping donuts as well as adding icing and sprinkles of course. They did the best job of adding shadows with charcoal. I was very impressed!







The Middles (Grades 2-3): Wow! These kiddos are super talented and have been putting in major work over the last few weeks. We just wrapped up what seemed like weeks of printmaking and watercolor cityscapes. Now we are woking on clay sea creatures and fish as well as oil pastel coral reefs for our sea creature to live in. We only have a few finished but I cant wait to see these beauties all done!







The Bigs (Grades 4-5): These students have been working hard to wrap everything up before the end of the year. 4th has been working on radial printmaking over oil pastels and now they are working on clay birds. They have been mastering weaving making potholders with our looms and we will try to squeeze in paper weaving before school is out. 5<sup>th</sup> has been working hard on sewing string art and is currently getting ready for their 5<sup>th</sup> grade art show that will be during the 5<sup>th</sup> grade awards and bash on May 23. Going to miss these amazing kiddos big time next year.







