

The GATEKeeper



FEB 2019

IMPORTANT DATES

3/19- 3/28/19: APEX school fundraiser

3/22/19: AR 75% deadline (reward day is 3/29/19)

3/29/19: Wildlife Learning Center

4/1-5/19: Spring Break

4/3/19: County Science Fair Competition

4/12/19: 6th grade field trip (Knott's)

**Leaders
AREN'T BORN
THEY ARE MADE.
AND THEY ARE MADE
JUST LIKE ANYTHING ELSE,
THROUGH HARD WORK.
AND THAT'S THE PRICE
WE'LL HAVE TO PAY TO ACHIEVE
THAT GOAL OR ANY GOAL.**

-Vince Lombardi

A newsletter for GATE students, their teachers and families.

“What It Takes to Be a Leader” by Sai Undi

What is leadership and how important is it? Well, leadership is very important. Being a leader means guiding other people through the dark. For example, if George Washington was not there to guide our nation during the Revolutionary War, maybe our country would not be independent. If Abraham Lincoln was not there during the Civil War to stop slavery, maybe you would not be reading this article right now. Martin Luther King Jr. was a leader by speaking for all Americans and by putting an end to segregation. These great leaders helped us by making our lives better by speaking up when they see a wrong and acting on it. Leaders encourage others to seek out their best and work together. Other types of people that are leaders are teacher, custodian, principal, vice principal, counselor, librarian, fireman, policeman, mayor, governor, and president are some people that make our lives better every day. Clara Barton Elementary is a Leader in Me school, where we have the 7 habits of highly effective kids mixed in with everything we do. By “Being proactive, Beginning with the end in mind, Putting first things first, Thinking win-win, Listening before you talk, Synergizing and Sharpening the saw...” we provide lots of leadership opportunities and can truly achieve anything. Some opportunities include playground leader, greeter leader, assembly leaders, spirit squad, morning announcements, GPAC student representatives and even this GATEKeeper! These jobs provide kids with a learning opportunity to be a leader. Even if you are not in these jobs, do not worry! If you are doing the 7 habits every day you are a leader as well. Barton teachers have done an amazing job to incorporate student leadership even within the classroom. In Mrs. P. Williams’s class students begin every morning with their new vocabulary word of the day and create a fun physical “jig” to help fellow classmates learn the new word. In Mrs. Garcia’s class, students lead science lectures. Do you think leadership is important? Who do you think are some leaders? Well, according to 5th graders Abhinav Karanam, David Zou, and Jonathan Chen they think leadership is very important. Abhinav says that leadership is important because with leadership you can help your friends with their goals and if you do that, they will help you with your goals, “think win-win!” Some leaders in Abhi’s life are his teachers and parents. Jonathan Chen says that without leaders, our country would be anarchy and go crazy. Some leaders in Jonathan’s life are his teachers, his parents, friends, and all the people that helped him. David says that without leadership your mind would not grow. Some leaders in David’s life are Sai Undi for teaching him how to play basketball, his teachers, his friends, and parents. Next time when there is a leader helping you tell them “thank you” and think about being a leader yourself. A leader that will help your friends, family, and the people around you.

GRADE LEVEL HIGHLIGHTS

3rd Grade P. Williams

We worked on our Lula Washington posters building biographies, in preparation of our field trip to one of her theatrical shows. We also have been making Abstract Cubism Art inspired by Pablo Picasso, and personal aliens from different planets to come to our world. We just had Leader In Me day, and we focused on positivity. We had 6th grade leaders join us in collaborating about Growth Mindset thinking. It was an awesome day!

4th Grade J. Garcia

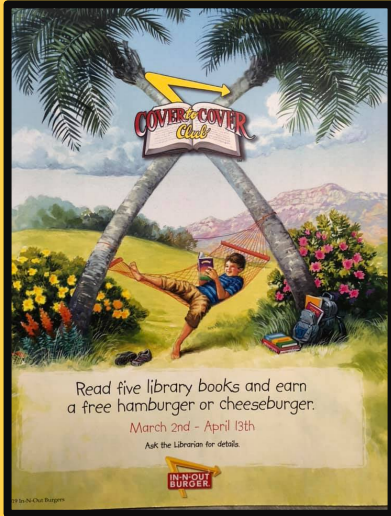
The Fourth grade had a great time with our in-class Science rotations. We learned a lot and were able to complete 8 hands-on Science experiments. Our novel study this month was The Iron Dragon Never Sleeps : a novel told from the perspective of a young Chinese boy working on the transcontinental railroad. Next month, our focus will be on the California Mission System, looking at the missions from differing perspectives. Our learning is getting deeper and deeper!

5th Grade C. Ogden

Fifth Grade has been very busy completing state reports and getting ready for oral presentations. In addition, we have learned all 50 states and their capitals. In science, we are studying animal and plant cells. Our second Genius Hour projects were amazing! Some research questions included: How do you animate a video? How can I slow down or speed up the ripening process of a banana? How do you find Water Bears? Which is better to sell products on: Amazon or eBay? We LOVED our Whale Watching Field Trip. We saw gray whales and a huge pod of dolphins! The ocean was amazing.

6th Grade C. Leonard

Our sixth-grade class have started our Shark Tank projects where we create our own Shark Tank products to present. Recently, we took a trip to Ramirez, where we took a tour of the school and learned more about the next school year. There was a River Heights orientation as well. In our social studies rotations, we've started to learn about Ancient Egypt with Mrs. Nelson.



RESOURCES

Riverside's Annual Insect Fair
April 27, 2019

<https://www.facebook.com/AnnualRiversideInsectFair>

FREE!

CNUSD Festival of the Arts
March 16 – March 28, 2019
Heritage Park, Corona, CA
FREE!

City of Eastvale Photography
Contest

Submit by: June 20, 2019

www.eastvaleca.gov

FREE!

Clippers Science Fest
March 22-23, 2019
LA Convention Center

Disney On Ice: Worlds of
Enchantment (April 25-28)
Citizens Business Arena



Left: Andy, Eesha, James, Neev, Danni & Chloe (not pictured: Zachary and Jason) represent Barton at the District History Day competition where Barton took 3 placements and 1 alternate.

Right: Danni, Zachary, Ryan, James and Andy each take 1st place at the District Competition helping defend Barton's Title as "TOP Science Elementary School" in the district for the 2nd year in a row!



The 7 Habits of Happy Kids



Habit 1- Be Proactive- You're In Charge

I am a responsible person.

I take initiative.

I choose my actions, attitudes, and moods.

I do not blame others for my wrong actions.

I do the right thing without being asked, even when no one is looking.

Habit 2- Begin with the end in mind -- Have a Plan

I plan ahead and set goals.

I do things that have meaning and make a difference.

I am an important part of my classroom and schools.



Habit 3- Put First Things First- Work First, Then Play

I spend my time on things that are most important.

I say no to things that I know I should not do.

I set priorities, make a schedule, and follow my plan.

I am self-disciplined and organized.

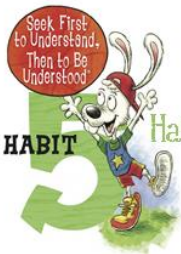
Habit 4- Think Win-Win- Everyone Can Win

I want everyone to be a success.

I don't have to put others down to get what I want.

When a conflict happens, I look for a third solution.

I believe that we all can win!



Habit 5- Seek First to Understand Then to be Understood- Listen Before You Talk

I listen to other people's ideas and feelings.

I try to see things from their viewpoints.

I listen to others without interrupting.

I share my opinions and ideas.

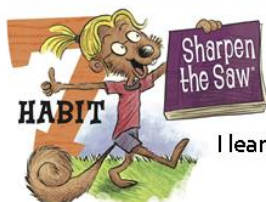
Habit 6- Synergize- Together is Better

I know that everyone is good at something.

Everyone needs to get better at something.

We can all learn something from each other.

Working in groups helps to create better ideas than what one person can do alone.



Habit 7- Sharpen the Saw- Balance Feels Best

I take care of my body by eating right, exercising and getting sleep.

I learn in lots of ways and lots of places, not just at school. I take time to help others.



Left: Mrs. Leonard volunteers with the Friends of the Corona Public Library. Pictured they are raising funds for literacy through the "Ladders and Linguine" event.

Right: Nathaniel volunteers as a Hospitality Minister "Usher" for his church.

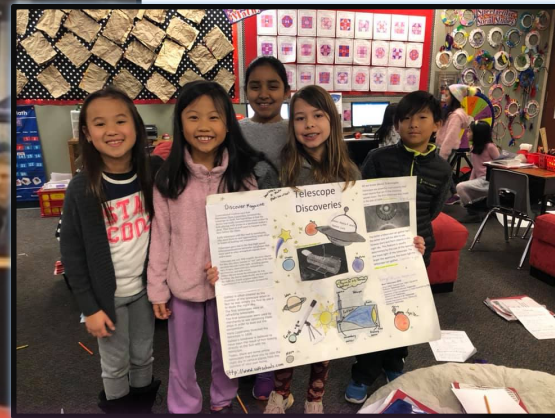
Below Middle: David takes 4th all around and 1st in pommel at gymnastics competition in Houston.

Below Right: 3rd grade synergizes to make informative posters on intergalactic discoveries.



Above: Phoebe represents Cub Scouts 2017 at City of Eastvale's Volunteer Recognition Ceremony.

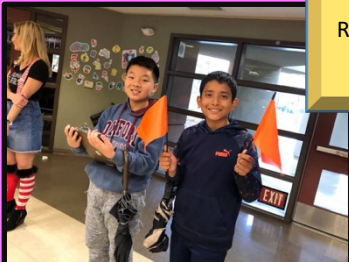
Below: Mrs. Garcia facilitates classes for RCOE's Teacher Leadership Certification Academy. Pictured are her students.



**"I BELIEVE IN MYSELF,
I BELIEVE IN MY FUTURE,
MY FUTURE BEGINS TODAY."**



Bottom Left: Ken leads parents on classroom tours for Leadership Day.



Right: Advanced Band performs for Leadership Day.

