



Grimmer Elementary School

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Principal's Message:

Dear Grimmer Bear Families,
We have had a fantastic couple of weeks here at Grimmer.

Students just completed the District Winter Assessments in math and language arts. The academic growth of our students is outstanding! This shows their hard work towards reaching their educational goals, the support of our families, and the complete dedication of our teachers and staff. Together, we can do this!

Our Young Author's Contest concluded. Winners from each grade level will be recognized at our next assembly, and will be honored by the Fremont Unified School Board at their meeting on February 28, 2024.

Students packed 13,608 meals for Kids Against Hunger! We raised almost \$2,000 of our \$3,000 goal to support this amazing cause. Thank you to all of our volunteers, you were amazing! This could not have been successful without you!

It is at this time of year that we begin planning and discussing goals and budgets for the new school year. We had no parents attend our School Site Council / English Language Advisory Council meeting last week. These meetings are your opportunity to provide feedback, suggestions on what you would like to see as the focus at Grimmer for your children's continued success. Please plan to join us at our next meeting on March 26, 2024. Your input is critical.

Please look out for a short parent survey that will be coming your way in the next week or two. I would really appreciate hearing from you on important issues facing us as a school community. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration!

Have a wonderful month!

Judy Nye, Principal



Dates to Remember

February



- 1 Basketball Games @ Weibel, 3:30 Girls & 4:30 Boys
- 6 PTA Board Meeting, 4:00 p.m., room 1
- 7 Minimum Day
- 8 Basketball Games vs. Weibel @ Grimmer, 3:30 Boys & 4:30 Girls
- 14 Minimum Day
- 19 NO SCHOOL - President's Day
- 20 Coffee with the Principal, 8:30a.m., rm. 1
- 21 Minimum Day
- 22 Basketball Games vs. Hirsch @ Grimmer, 3:30 Girls & 4:30 Boys
- 26-1 PTA Golden Sneaker Contest
- 28 Minimum Day
- 29 Basketball Games vs. Warm Springs, @ Grimmer, 3:30 Girls & 4:30 Boy





MANDATORY RESIDENCY VERIFICATION FORMS - Due NOW

Every year submission of a Residency Verification document, and two proofs of residency documents, is **required** for all students (TK-5th).

The district has emailed the Residency Verification forms to parents (**the emails will be from InformedK12, not Parent Square**). The Proof of Residency documents must be current, within the last 30 days, clearly show the residency address and parent name. Failure to return the Residency Verification form and proof of residency documents may result in your student losing their seat for the next school year.

Order Yearbooks NOW!

The deadline to order a Grimmer Yearbook is approaching quickly. **The deadline is Friday, March 22nd**. You may order online at shoobphoto.com or by sending in the order form and payment to your student's teacher. Please make checks payable to FUSD/Grimmer Elementary. Cost is \$25.



2024-2025 Enrollment Timeline

- Jan 22 - Mar 27 Priority Enrollment (TK-5th); Including TK, K & Siblings Register at FUSD [Enrollment](#).
- January 29 Continuing Students, K-4th: Residency Verification (from InformedK12) Forms emailed to parents.
- January Continuing Intra-District Transfers forms will be (from InformedK12) emailed to parents.
- Jan 8 - Mar 31 Dual Language Immersion

Applications are accepted. Programs available in Spanish and Mandarin. Apply [here](#).

Notifications sent May 1-5, 2023.

Jan 8 - Mar 31 Science Magnet Applications Accepted. Apply [here](#). Notifications sent May 22-26, 2023.

Mar 1 - May Inter-District Transfers Period Opens

Apr 22 - 25 Kinder Lottery (for schools that need to participate)

Jul 1 (on or near) Kindergarten Placement Notifications mailed out

Apr 15 - June Open Enrollment, TK-12 (students new to FUSD)

May 1 Intra-District Transfers Period Opens

For full Enrollment Timeline Schedule and Details, refer to FUSD website Enrollment [page](#).

Kindness

Spirit Week

February 12th - 16th



Monday: Kindness "Ties" Us Together

- Wear a tie, bow tie, or hair bow

Tuesday: Think with your head before speaking and "Be Kind"

- Wear your favorite hat

Wednesday: Kind Hears Day

- Wear red, pink, white or purple

Thursday: Be kind to yourself

- Wear something that makes you happy and do something that fills your heart with love

Friday: "Work out" your problems with Kindness

- Wear your workout clothes

Change of Address



If you are moving, across town or even just changing apartment numbers, FUSD Board Policy states that a family must inform the school within 5 days of your moving date or of any change in circumstance, which would affect their student's residency (AR 5111.1).

Please complete, and email, a [Change of Address](#) form along with two residency proofs with your new address to our school secretary, Kathy Mitchell kmitchell@fusdk12.net, for processing.

We will assist you with processing the Change of Residency paperwork to ensure your students continued enrollment.

ELPAC SUMMATIVE TESTING:

Our English Language proficiency testing for our English Learners will begin in February. This is only for students who are designated as English Learners.

The Summative English Language Proficiency Assessments for California, or "Summative ELPAC," is the test used to measure how well students understand English when it is not the language they speak at home. Information from the ELPAC tells your child's teacher about the areas in which your child needs extra support. This spring, your child will take the Summative ELPAC.

Students in kindergarten through grade twelve who are classified as English learners will take the Summative ELPAC every year until they are reclassified as proficient in English. Students are tested on their skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

Young Author's Contest 2023-2024

CONGRATULATIONS to our first place finishers in the Young Author's Contest.

- 1st grade: Alex C.
- 2nd grade: Logan L.
- 3rd grade: Aiden L.
- 4th grade: Arjun D.
- 5th grade: Mihika G.

Global School Play Day February 7

During Global School Play Day, participants are encouraged to allow students ample time for free play without the use of screens, structured games, or adult direction. The idea is to let children explore their creativity, problem-solving skills, and social interactions in an unstructured and spontaneous environment.



IN A WORLD
WHERE
YOU CAN BE
ANYTHING

BE KIND

