




# Valley Oak Elementary School

# Wildcat Weekly

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MON. 12/07	TUES. 12/08	WED. 12/09	THUR. 12/10	FRI. 12/11
<b>Positivity Project Character Strength of the week</b> <b>Other People Mindset ~ Knowing my words and actions affect others</b>				
<p>On the 10<sup>th</sup> day before winter break... Send a selfie with an Elf!</p> 	<p>On the 9<sup>th</sup> day before winter break... Wear your favorite Holiday Socks!</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Fire Drill 2:15PM</p>	<p>On the 8<sup>th</sup> day before winter break... Wear your comfy slippers today!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Character Counts Day!</b> Wear your shirts!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Quarter 2 SSC Meeting 7:45AM Zoom</p> <p style="text-align: center;">History Day Meeting Initial Resources Due 2:30-3:00PM Zoom</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Vino Meal Order Pick-Up 4:00-6:30PM</p>	<p>On the 7<sup>th</sup> day before winter break... Wear ALL green or your favorite Grinch-wear!</p>  <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Vino Meal Order Pick-Up 4:00-6:30PM</p>	<p>On the 6<sup>th</sup> day before winter break... Wear your favorite holiday hat, headband, headwear, etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Spirit Day!</b> Wear your spirit wear!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CUSD Board Meeting</b> 12:30-3:30PM on YouTube</p>
<p>Bean &amp; Cheese Burrito Mozzarella String Cheese Vegetable - Variety Fruit Variety, Milk <b>*Menu Subject to Change</b></p>	<p>Cheeseburger Charbroiled Vegetable - Variety Fruit Variety, Milk <b>*Menu Subject to Change</b></p>	<p>*Meal Pick Up for kids ages 1-18 is 6:30am -7:30am at Kastner, Clovis West High School <b>*Menu Subject to Change</b></p>	<p>Crispy Chicken Drumstick Dinner Roll Vegetable - Variety Fruit Variety, Milk <b>*Menu Subject to Change</b></p>	<p>Personal Cheese Pizza Mozzarella String Cheese Vegetable – Variety, Milk <b>*Menu Subject to Change</b></p>
<p><b>Principal's Message</b></p> <p>Dear Wildcat Families,</p> <p>Valley Oak has been a busy place continuing to prepare for ALL of our students' educational needs. Together our administration and teachers have worked to put together a schedule that will maximize the amount of instructional time for ALL our students both in person and online. For us to make this happen, we have made a few changes to the existing hybrid schedule. ALL students will Zoom with their teacher in the mornings. In the afternoon, students will attend in person OR have asynchronous work assigned to complete. We are moving to an A/B afternoon model to accommodate all the students that want to return in person, while allowing space for social distancing. This will allow each of our teachers to FOCUS on just the students in front of them. We have also built in specific time for our online only students to meet with their teacher via Zoom. This instructional model has already allowed our students the ability to stay at home when ill or exposed to COVID without much interruption. <u>Our existing kindergarten schedule will NOT change</u> as we have already split our students and started this in November. All the information above applies to grades 1-6 general education students only. Our specialized programs will remain as students have been attending.</p> <p>I know that this limits our in-person time to two days a week, however there is an increase in face time as well as instructional minutes. We are required to have a schedule of a minimum of 240 minutes a day for grades 1-6. This instructional model affords us the opportunity to have 345 minutes of instruction that more closely matches a "normal" school day.</p> <p>Our final hybrid schedule and A/B information will be coming out the week of December 7<sup>th</sup>. Take care and have a wonderful weekend!</p> <p>Julie Duwe Principal</p>			<p><b>Birthday Messages on the Marquee</b></p> <p>Birthday messages are available for purchase to be presented on our marquee. Messages are \$25.00, payable by cash or check made out to "Valley Oak Parent Club." See Mrs. Barner in the main office if you are interested in purchasing. Marquee request must be submitted no later than the Friday before your child's birthday week. Space is limited so the sooner you come in and reserve your message the better.</p> <p><b>Q Mobile App</b></p> <p>There's a mobile app for both Q Parent Connect and Q Student Connect. Parents or students can download the app from Google Play or the Apple Store (Q ParentConnection and Q StudentConnection). Once downloaded, the parent or student will need to enter California as the state, Fresno as the county and then select Clovis USD. Once the parent or student has chosen Clovis USD, they will use the login button in the upper right corner of the app and login with their normal Parent or Student Connect Pin and Password. <a href="https://www.cusd.com/CUSDAp.aspx">https://www.cusd.com/CUSDAp.aspx</a></p> <p><b>Spirit Wear</b></p> <p>Looking for Valley Oak Spirit Wear? Many great new winter items just in time for the holidays. Check out Square Heart Shops website for exclusive Valley Oak designs. <a href="https://squareheartshops.com/collections/valley-oak-elementary">https://squareheartshops.com/collections/valley-oak-elementary</a></p> <p><b>Upcoming Events</b></p> <p>12/14 Dress in Red and White 12/15 Wear camouflage to hide from the naughty list! 12/16 Wear your favorite flannel or plaid shirt and jeans. 12/17 Send a picture of your house, tree, holiday décor! 12/18 Wear your Pajama's, slippers, robe, etc. 12/21-1/4 Winter Break- NO SCHOOL 1/15 End of 2nd Quarter 1/18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day- No School 1/19 NEW HYBRID SCHEDULE BEGINS 2/08 Lincoln's Birthday-NO SCHOOL 2/15 Presidents Day 3/29 - 4/5 Spring Break- NO SCHOOL</p>	
<p><b>Parent Club Fundraiser</b></p> <p>Support our Valley Oak Parent Club and let VINO Grille &amp; Spirits do the cooking for you! But one or both dinner packages (each feeds a family of four), to be picked up on either December 9th or 10th (or both nights). 10% of the proceeds go to support our kids. Option one is Chicken Parmesan with pasta, salad and chocolate chip cookies for \$40. Option two is Beef tenderloin with cheesy potatoes, salad and chocolate chip cookies for \$50. <b>Orders must be placed online by the end of Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.</b></p> <p>Follow the link to place your order: <a href="https://www.exploretock.com/vinogrillespirits/experience/private/cea2b6e5-63f1-4239-8497-70cbed8ca6ee">https://www.exploretock.com/vinogrillespirits/experience/private/cea2b6e5-63f1-4239-8497-70cbed8ca6ee</a></p>				