

The Paw Print



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Principal Message

Mr. Michael Ota

The very best investment you can make as a parent is to spend time with your children. Research has shown that the most important factor to helping your child achieve at school is the quality amount of time spent at the home. The families could help children develop positive attitudes and skills that may assist their children to be successful in school. Building positive attitudes will help your child achieve. Help your child to get organized, talk about school, and building growth mindset of learning from failure. As busy as your schedule is, take time out to attend as many school activities with your children. Be sure your child does the school work and then gets the homework back to school the next morning so the teacher can provide feedback to the child. When schools and families work together, kids are most successful.

Parent Coffee

On January 31 (the last Tuesday of the month) The parents discussed information regarding our data wall. Guided Reading is our focus and monitoring our student reading level was demonstrated to the parents. All parents are invited to discuss with their child their reading levels using our data wall. Please take time to ask your child: Do you know your reading level? Do not forget to join us every last Tuesday of each month and attend Parent Coffee Hour.

Biola Voice

Parents and Community members of Biola please attend the input session for spending school funds to benefit student achievement. On Wednesday February 8, 2017 at 6:00PM. Come to the cafeteria to voice your opinion regarding Local Control and Accountability Plan.

Athletic Dept.

Congratulations to the 2017 Biola Wrestling Team. They were Central Unified School District Champions for Division II. The wrestling team finished the year with no losses and finished as the top Division II school at the district Championships. Congratulations to Giovanni Arguello for becoming an undefeated champion by pinning his opponent from McKinley in the finals. Jimmy Ramirez and Chris Melendez finished 2nd and 3rd respectfully. Thank You Coach Ponce for your work and leadership with our Biola students.

The Boys and Girls Basketball season started last week and we have 41 athletes competing to make the roster. Getting students involved in extracurricular activity makes coming to school enjoyable.

Parent Reading

All families are welcome to bring their children to the library on Thursday mornings to enjoy our 0-5 story time, snacks, and playtime. We encourage early reading as a head start for your children's education.

Science Olympiad

Mr. Finocchio and Mrs. Escandon will be leading the Biola Students along with parent volunteer to the Annual Fresno County Science Olympiad Competition. Last year Biola Elementary competed amongst students throughout the valley and placed in almost every event. If interested please sign up your child for the team.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Cindy Escandon, certificated employee and Lupe Chavez classified employee. Both individuals were finalist for Central Unified School Certificated and Classified Employee of the year. Their work and dedication to Biola Pershing Elementary School is always noticed for what they offer to our children everyday. We are lucky to have you.

Cal Ripken

Biola wants to provide T-Ball and Baseball for our youth. As the Principal my intentions are to support our youth outside of school activities. Central Cal Ripken offers positive experience for all children in the Central Unified School District and I want our students in Biola to be included. If interested please contact Mr. Ota at Biola Elementary School.

T ball ages 4-6

Rookies ages 6-8

Minors ages 8-10

Majors 10-12

UPCOMING EVENTS

Student of the Month Assembly at 10:40AM 2/3

Boys & Girls 2/3

Basketball @ H.K. 2:45PM

Girls Spirit Night Central East

Publisher's Showcase at CUSD District office 2/6-7

LCAP Parent Input 2/8

Boys @ Girls 2/10

Basketball @ Roo-

Boys @ Girls 2/17

Basketball @ Biola 2:45pm

Boys @ Girls 2/24

Basketball @ Biola 2:45pm

Parent Coffee Hour at 8:35AM 2/28

FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME

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Or feel free to visit anytime