



THE CITRUS BOBCHAT

Citrus Elementary School

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IMPORTANT DATES

- Feb 17.....School Site Council 2:30 PM
- Feb 24.....Pink Shirt Day
- Mar 8.....PTA 6 PM
- Mar 14-18...Spring Break-No School



On Wednesday, February 24th, all Citrus School students are encouraged to wear pink as we join other Chico Unified Elementary Schools and stand up to bullying! The tradition of wearing pink to stand up to bullying was established when two high school boys in Nova Scotia purchased pink shirts and handed them out to classmates after they had heard that a new male student at their school had been bullied for wearing a pink shirt. With the theme of *Be the One*, our students will be asked to pledge to *be the one* willing to stand up when they see bullying. We know that when one stands up, others will follow. Standing up can mean saying something to those involved in the moment, inviting the targeted student to join in inclusive activities, or reporting to adults at home and school. This is one way we can all impact the kind of school we want to create for one another. We also invite staff and family members to join in wearing pink as a sign of standing up to bullying. All students will receive an 'I Stand Up to Bullying' sticker.

SUPERINTENDENTS AWARD

Congratulations to our 3rd grade teacher, Nicole Ballew. She will be recognized by the Chico Unified School District at the board meeting on February 17, 2016. If you are available and can attend the presentation it will be held at the Chico Chamber of Commerce at 6:00 PM. Thank you, Mrs. Ballew!

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE

In an academic grading system a 90% would be an A- and seem very good but if a child has a 90% attendance rate it means they miss one half day every single week of school! An 80% rate means the child misses 1 full day of school per week. Studies show even one day absent sets a child back 2 full days of learning. Keep this in mind if your child's symptoms are mild and they can attend school. Thank you.

HONORARY SERVICE AWARDS

Citrus PTA requests your help in selecting our honorees for this year's Honorary Service Awards. This award is designed to honor deserving individuals or organizations for their significant contributions to the well-being of Citrus children. Your input is important.

Name of individual or organization nominated:

Reasons for nomination: _____

Name of person submitting the nomination:

Phone number: _____ Date _____

Please return this form to your child's teacher or to our office by March 1, 2016. Thank you for your input.

Reminder: Citrus is a latex free school. Please keep all those new toys at home.