THE CITRUS BOBCHAT

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Important Dates

Jan. 15...MLK JR. Day
No School
Jan. 26...Parents & Pastries

We hope you had a great first week back. We would like to remind you of some of the rules to start of this wonderful 2018.

Cell Phones

• All cell phones are to be turned off while at school and throughout the school day
• They must be kept in the backpacks and turned off.
• Cell phones will be confiscated if used inappropriately at school or during the school day
• They will be kept in the office until a parent can pick it up

Reminder! ~~Toys~~

Please make sure that your children leave their toys at home, unless their teacher has requested that they bring an item for a special project. The support staff have been reminding students to leave all toys, etc... at home. This includes Legos, Pokémon cards, footballs, and all other toys. Thank you for your cooperation.

No Act of Kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted

REMEMBER: CITRUS IS A LATEX FREE SCHOOL. PLEASE DO NOT BRING TOYS AND SOFT RUBBER ITEMS FROM HOME.

LATEX ALLERGY
NO LATEX-RUBBER GLOVES, MEDICAL PRODUCTS OR LATEX BALLOONS

If you drive your child to school or pick them up after school, I'm sure you have noticed the congested traffic conditions. Because student safety is always our first priority, we are asking everyone to:
Please use the loading zones (white curbs on the school side of West 4th Ave. and Citrus Ave.).

Never park across the street and allow your child to cross without the cross walk!

When driving, please approach the school so that you are able to pull up to the curb, allowing your child to get out and walk immediately onto school property.

Do not allow your child to walk across the street without the protection of the crosswalk, and Joyce our crossing guard.

Let us all work together to protect our children and teach them about being safe! Thank you for your cooperation!

A student is tardy when he/she arrives in the classroom after the tardy bell rings but before the first thirty minutes of the class has been completed. A student is habitually tardy to a class when he/she receives three (3) or more unexcused tardy occurrences per trimester. School personnel will consider the circumstances and reasons for each student tardy and will determine whether the tardy is excused or unexcused. Excused tardiness is understandable. The student will be expected to make up work missed without penalty. Unexcused tardiness is inappropriate and may result in disciplinary consequences.

attendance MATTERS

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

School personnel will consider the circumstances and reasons for student absence and determine whether the absence is excused or unexcused. Given parent authorization, school personnel will excuse a student absence from school for the following reasons: Illness To receive medical, dental, optometric or chiropractic services Exclusion from school for health and safety (not more than 5 days) Exclusion from school for head lice/nits (two days) Attendance at funeral services for a member of immediate family Observance of a religious holiday/ceremony Quarantine under the direction of a county or city health officer

A student who is absent or tardy from school without a valid excuse in excess of thirty (30) minutes or more per day for four different days during the school year will be declared truant, and the parents will be notified of their obligation to resolve the truancy problem.

After 3 unexcused absences, a letter of truancy notification will be sent home. After 4 unexcused absences, a second truancy notice will be sent home and parents will be invited to attend a conference to discuss resolution of the truancy problem. A student with more than 5 unexcused absences will be declared a habitual truant, and another parent conference will be scheduled. If suggested alternatives to reach resolution of the truancy problem are not followed through responsibly and successfully, the problem will be reviewed and consideration will be given to pursue a course of legal action.