



# THE CUB NEWS

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## DECEMBER 2019

### Stevens Creek Events at a Glance

12/6/19: Early Release @ 2:10pm  
12/13/19: Early Release @ 2:10pm  
12/17/19: 3rd Music Concert, 6:30pm  
12/17/19: 4th Music Concert, 7:30pm  
12/20/19: Early Release @ 2:10pm  
12/23/19-1/3/20: Winter Break  
1/6/20: School resumes  
1/10/20: Early Release @ 2:10pm  
1/15/20: PTA Meeting @ 6pm  
1/17/20: Early Release @ 2:10pm  
1/20/20: No School-Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday  
1/23/20: Sahara Pizza Night  
1/24/20: Early Release @ 2:10pm  
1/27/20: No School  
1/31/20: Early Release @ 2:10pm  
2/7/20: Early Release @ 2:10pm  
2/14/20 & 2/17/20: No School

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### Principal's Message



#### Stevens Creek Families:

With December just around the corner, I want to first wish each of our families the very best in the days ahead as we enter into this Thanksgiving holiday. I hope that each of you can find some time to rest, spend time with friends and family, and take a few moments to reflect on all that you are grateful for. I cannot express my gratitude enough for this Stevens Creek Community, made up of caring and talented students and staff, and supportive families who love their children so very much. It's truly an honor to be a member of this caring community. Together, there is nothing that we cannot accomplish or solve together!

It was so much fun to see a number of STC families out at Team Fitness this past Friday evening for Game Night, as students, families, and STC staff members chatted, played different board and lawn games, and snacked on House cookies made by our staff and students. I appreciated my own family being there so that they could meet many of our students and families, and play games alongside them. We greatly appreciate Team Fitness for donating their gym to us, Walmart for donating several board games to us, and North Lake for allowing us to borrow their tables for the event so we didn't have to sit on the gym floor. And of course, to the many STC staff members who spent their Friday night hanging out with all of us playing games, thank you!

As we move into our fourth month of school, I want to thank our families for their commitment to getting our kids here at school each day, and on time. Truly, our data from our first year together (last school year) shows that if our STC kiddos are here on a consistent basis, they make tremendous gains academically. With our district and school's focus on social emotional learning, we are confident they will also continue to grow in this area as well. It truly is a team effort, and we appreciate you partnering with us each day. Do not hesitate to reach out to us if we can be of any help to your family. We are constantly working with families to support our kids! It is why we are here!

Finally, congratulations goes out to our Soñador House for winning the first House Cup of this school year by earning the most house points! During our December 6<sup>th</sup> House Time, they will head off to celebrate at Camp Cedar Springs, where kids can take part in RC racing, rock climbing, laser tag, and several other activities where camp staff there will lead. The Soñador House members will also be able to make s'mores outside! If you have a child in Soñador, expect to see a field trip permission slip & Cedar Spring Camp release form coming home very soon. Please be sure to sign and return it to school!

House points started over on Monday, as our second House Cup Competition of the school year begins, and will end at the beginning of March. As we remind our kids though, "4 Houses, 1 Family!"

Matt Pewitt  
Principal, Stevens Creek Elementary

### Stevens Creek Giving Tree

As we enter the final months of 2019, the holiday season is quickly approaching. At Stevens Creek, we recognize that there are less fortunate families within our school and community. To help make the holidays a special time for those in need, we will be sponsoring a holiday "Giving Tree" during the month of December. This is a time that students will be able to follow the lessons of giving they have learned from past experiences at home and at school.

If families are able, we ask that students bring in a new, unwrapped gift (toys, books, clothing, pajamas or gift cards). These items can be for elementary age or older as we have families with middle school & high school siblings. A Giving Tree has been set-up in the office where students can drop off these gifts. Staff will help with the wrapping of the gifts before they are delivered.

We are asking that gifts be brought in no later than December 6th so that the items can be wrapped and delivered in time for the holidays.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Teresa Nickerson, Stevens Creek Counselor, by phone at 425-335-1694 or by email at [teresa\\_nickerson@lkstevens.wednet.edu](mailto:teresa_nickerson@lkstevens.wednet.edu) as well as Ms. Toni or Ms. Pam in the main office at 425-335-1690



### Inclement Weather Info

In the event that snow or other conditions force changes in school schedules or bus routes, announcements will be made on all major TV and radio stations by 6 a.m. Simultaneously, information will be posted to our website at [www.lkstevens.wednet.edu](http://www.lkstevens.wednet.edu) under Site Shortcuts>School Closure Info or go directly to [www.flashalert.net](http://www.flashalert.net) and click on Lake Stevens Schools. Please depend on radio, TV, and/or internet to access information about the status of schools.

**Remember! If no public announcements are broadcast, school & buses will be operating on normal schedule.**



### Lost & Found

Our lost & found racks are overflowing, Be sure to have your student check the racks for lost jackets, coats, lunch boxes, hats, gloves and umbrellas. Our lost & Found will be donated to charity at our winter break.



### Crusin' Cubs Running Club

Every Tuesday & Thursday (weather permitting) students can wear their running shoes for a lunch recess running club. Students can walk/run around the track during lunch recess (monitored by staff & parent volunteers). Every time a student runs 6 laps it is a mile. As crusin' cubs achieve more and more miles, the student can earn half marathon (13.1 miles) and marathon medals (26.2 miles) which will be awarded during PE class.

#### Cruisin Cub Stats as of November 21st

11,068 laps = 1844 miles

#### 3rd-5th Student Leaders:

Rylee Buckland, 102 laps = 17.6 miles

Kaden Schwenke, 198 = 33 miles



#### K-2nd Student Leaders:

Alaa Alghazali, 127 laps = 21 miles

Ethan Adebowale, 201 laps = 33.5 miles

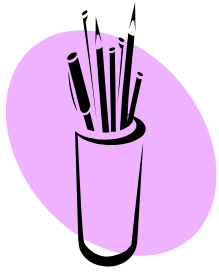
Be sure to encourage your child to wear their running shoes and participate in this fun, healthy activity during Running Club.

### Yearbook Reminders

- December 6th: Yearbook cover contest entries due
- December 13th: Yearbook "shout-out" & 5th grade kinder cub pictures due
- March 2020: Pre-order sales will be accepted through March.

### Mark Your Calendar

- 12/17/19: 3rd grade Music Concert, 6:30pm
- 12/17/19: 4th grade Music Concert, 7:30pm
- 12/19/19: Sahara Pizza Night
- 12/23/19-1/3/20: No School-Winter Holiday
- 1/6/20: School resumes
- 1/15/20: PTA Meeting, 6:30pm
- 1/20/20: No School-Martin Luther King Holiday
- 1/23/20: Sahara Pizza Night
- 1/24/20: End of the Semester
- 1/27/20: No School
- 2/14/20 & 2/17/20: No School-President's Day Holiday
- 2/20/20: Sahara Pizza Night
- 2/24/20-2/28/20: Conference Week, Release @ 1:05pm
- 2/24/20-2/28/20: Book Fair
- 2/24/20-2/28/20: Lil Hungry Hearts Food Drive
- 3/12/20: Kindergarten Music Concert, 6:30pm
- 3/12/20: 2nd grade Music Concert, 7:30pm
- 3/26/20: Sahara Pizza Night
- 3/30/20-4/3/20: No School-Spring Break
- 4/23/20: Sahara Pizza Night
- 5/1/20: National School Principal Day
- 5/6/20: National School Nurse Day
- 5/14/20: 1st grade Music Concert, 6:30pm
- 5/14/20: 5th grade Music Concert, 7:30pm
- 5/20/20: PTA Meeting, 6:30pm
- 5/21/20: Sahara Pizza Night
- 5/25/20: No School-Memorial Day Holiday



# December 2019

Sun

Mon




Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

1	2	3	4	5	6 Early Release @ 2:10pm	7 Dickens Fair @ Cavelero, 10am
8	9	10	11	12	13 Early Release @ 2:10pm	14
15	16	17 3rd Concert, 6:30 4th Concert, 7:30	18	19 Sahara Pizza Night 	20 Early Release @ 2:10PM	21 Frist Day of Winter 
22	23	24	25 Christmas	26	27	28
No School-Winter Holiday Break						
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