



## Principal's Monthly School Board Report

### *Kimes Elementary School*

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#### **Dragon Point Program:**

##### [Dragon Point Update](#)

We continue to carry on our monthly celebrations. This month the students were able to read with our therapy dogs!

#### **Staffer of the Month:**

We had two staff members selected as Staffer of the month for January Mr. Dutko and Mrs. Allison was nominated by their peers and selected. The staff was very appreciative of the ways that both of them went above and beyond to help students. Mr. Dutko is willing to do whatever needs to be done in order to help our students including helping potty train one of his students, and Mrs. always has a smile on her face and is so kind to our students.

#### **PFA Update:**

The preschool team had a family engagement day where about 30 families showed up and worked with their preschooler to help build hibernation boxes for their stuffed animals. The classes have been learning about how certain animals hibernate and this was the culmination of the lessons.

#### **Attendance Update:**

We have started a new attendance initiative at Kimes called "Race to Five!" Every week the grade level that meets 80% attendance will earn a star. The first grade level to earn five stars gets a big reward voted on by the grade level. Current Data for the week of February 3rd-7th.

Kindergarten: 62% (down from 70%)

First Grade: 73% (up from 65%) YAYYYYYY!

We have 19 students that are at an extreme risk level for attendance, a 99% risk value. Calls are made daily to these families as well as referrals to our ROE truancy officer.

**Valentine's Day Collaboration with Northlawn:**

February 6th, Kindergarten and First Grade collaborated with Northlawn Student Council kids to make Valentine's Day cards that will be dropped off to all of the local nursing homes. Together a total of 300 Valentine cards were made. This project was an opportunity for us to teach our students the importance of giving back to our community. This project was also a chance for us to put a few of our SEL traits kindness, gratitude, and empathy into action!!