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Meet two of our 3rd grade teachers!

Marino

Ms. Marino went to Texas A&M University. Her favorite hobby is crafting. Her favorite fast food place is Chick-fil-A because she loves the fries and the chicken. Her favorite book is *Hooray for Diffendoofer Day* by Dr. Seuss and Jack Prelutsky. Her dream vacation is going on a cruise to Europe. Her favorite sport is running. Her favorite subject is science and math. Her favorite drink is unsweet iced tea. She has one older sister. Her favorite singer and rapper is Drake. Her favorite color is coral and turquoise.

Piña

Mrs. Piña was born in Houston, Texas. Mrs. Piña went to the University of Houston-Downtown. She has been working at Terrace Elementary for two and a half years. Mrs. Piña likes to teach 3 grade and 4 grade. She likes to play football. Her favorite animals are gorillas. Her favorite movie is *The Sandlot* and her favorite book is *Where the Wild Things Are* by Maurice Sendak. One thing she likes about Terrace is the students. Her favorite food is hot wings and Mexican food. Mrs. Piña's favorite hobby is being outside with her kids.







Sports

Rockets

The Houston Rockets are still playing against teams and they are 6th in the Western Conference. The top players are Chris Paul and James Harden. The Houston Rockets play against these teams in February.

Rockets vs Thunder 2/9 Rockets vs Mavericks 2/11

Rockets vs Timberwolves 2/13 Rockets vs Lakers 2/21

Rockets vs Warriors 2/23 Rockets vs Hawks 2/25

Rockets vs Hornets 2/27 Rockets vs Heat 2/28

Soccer

Real Madrid is a famous soccer team. Their team is a part of Spain. Their stadium is called the Santiago Bernabéu Stadium. They have won 22 European cups. Real Madrid has won 33 La Liga titles since 1992. Cristiano Ronaldo is one of the highest goal scorers in Real Madrid with 454 goals in competitions. They have 20 games next month. These are the top 3 games coming up!

- 1. Real Madrid vs Atletico Madrid 2/9 9:15am
- 2. Ajax vs Real Madrid 2/3 2:00pm
- 3. Real Madrid vs Barcelona 3/2 1:45pm

Karate

Karate is a fun sport. There are so many different colored belts. It starts at white and goes all the way to black. There is something called sparring where we fight with protective gear so you don't get hurt. The most important thing to learn is blocks so if you ever get into a fight you can block their punches or kicks. We learn puncher kicks and more. We make new friends and play games once in a while. They have tournaments every year and you even get an award for being there! You could get 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th place. We learn discipline, respect, and to follow the rules. You learn self-respect and to give to others in need. That's why we have a shoe drive where we give shoes to kids that need them.

Join us at 2525 Gessner road! If you want to learn more come talk to Raul in 5th grade!





Conserving Energy

Now more than ever we need to save energy. Even though our school is a small thing compared to the rest of the world it can make a big difference. Believe it or not most classrooms with windows can actually work without the lights on. Just one classroom that does this could save close to 100,000,000 watts! So imagine if every class just turned their lights off we could save close to 1,000,000.000 watts... that's a lot! Add on the active board. The active board also is one of the main energy users in our school. I know that we have to use the active board, but try and spend as little time on it as possible. Now I know these are just two things, but it is a big step towards an energy efficient school. Thank you from the fifth grade students and remember to save energy!



Joke of the Week

Why was the math book sad? Because it had too many problems.

Winter, Judy. *Jokes about School.* North Mankato, MN: Capstone Press, 2011.





Library News

The library was recently transformed into The Timberwolf Café for some of the 3rd-5th graders. They got to experience a Book Tasting event and were introduced to new books in different genres! Fun was had by all!

Kinder- 1st grade students are almost done studying the different books on the Texas 2x2 list! Once all 20 books have been read, we will vote for their favorite!

THE BOOKWORM FESTIVAL was held this past weekend. A group of Kinder-3rd grade students attended and got to meet several authors and illustrators! We had a fantastic time!

MARCH BOOK MADNESS will begin the first week of March! All students will get to vote for their favorite books in bracket elimination rounds until 1 book is left standing!

READ ACROSS AMERICA will be the week of March 4-8th. Keep a look out for a special flyer heading your way!

Library is in need of these donations!

Puzzles/Board Games (with all pieces please!)

Lego people/cars/building plates

If you have any questions, please email Ms. Aceves at maria.aceves@springbranchisd.com

Check out our library Twitter account for weekly updates and pictures! @TCE_Lib_SBISD

Top 10 books checked out in the last 30 days!

- 1. Ghost by Raina Telgemeier
- 2. Rodrick Rules by Jeff Kinney
- 3. The Stonekeeper's Curse by Kazu Kibuishi
- 4. Wild Born by Brandon Mull
- 5. Smile by Raina Telgemeier
- 6. Hard Work by Jeff Kinney
- 7. Prince of the Elves by Kazu Kibuishi
- 8. Wonder by R.J Palacio
- 9. Big Nate: welcome to my world by Piece Lincoln
- 10. Bird & Squirrel on Ice by James Burks



Blanco's Corner

Principal's Message

Dear Terrace Families.

I have some bittersweet news to share with you. Ms. Gladys Guevara, our CIS case manager, decided to pursue a growth opportunity in another district. Her last day at Terrace was January 31st. We are so sad to see her go, but very proud of her. I know that she will be greatly missed by all and we cannot thank her enough for her years of service to our community. I am working closely with Communities in Schools to find a suitable replacement. Thank you Ms. G for all of your support!

This month our students in $4^{th} - 5^{th}$ will be taking their practice STAAR assessments for writing (4^{th}) , reading and math (5^{th}) . These assessments will provide teachers with important information used to guide instruction and personalize supports for every child. At Terrace, we believe that our students should be able to apply what they have learned in class to any task, assessment, or problem. This practice round will give them a chance to familiarize themselves with the format of the test. It will also help them to understand the importance of increasing their reading volume so that they build stamina. We are eager to gain more detailed information about our students so that we can work collaboratively to ensure their success. 3rd grade will practice in March along with 4^{th} for reading and math. 5^{th} will also practice in March for science.

February is a very busy month. Please mark your calendars for all of our events, early dismissal dates, holidays, and celebrations.

Mrs. Blanco





Important dates and events!

February 7th – 5th grade to Biztown, Progress Reports go home

February 8th – Lunar New Year Multicultural Student Celebration

February 8th – PTA Daughter Dance 6:30-8:00 pm in the cafeteria

February 13th – Jump Rope for Heart

February 13th – Kindergarten Round Up 5:30 in the library

February 13th – PTA General Meeting 6:30 in the Multipurpose room, enter through front door

February 14th – Valentine Party Day

Kinder and Ms. Do- 9:00 - 9:45 am

 $1st - 5^{th} 10:00 - 10:45 am$

February 14th – Early Dismissal at 11:30

February 15th – Early Dismissal at 11:30

February 18th – Holiday

February 22nd – PTA Family Movie Night 5:30 in the gym

March 1st - Early Dismissal at 11:30

March $7^{th} - 3^{rd}$ grade to NASA

March 7th – 4th grade International Night 6:00 pm

March 8th – 4th grade to the Museum of Fine Arts

March 11th - 15th Spring Break

March $19^{th} - 2^{nd}$ grade to the Zoo

 $March\ 21^{st}-5^{th}\ grade\ Track\ Meet$

March 22nd – PTA Family Movie Night 5:30 in the gym

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