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Family Update Volume 21

Dear Colina Families,

This week we had a successful Kinder Orientation and are so grateful to the families who were in attendance. We had the highest attended orientation in very long time! Colina is such a wonderful school and I am so proud to welcome new Coyotes each year. We are looking forward to our Day in the Life as a Kindergartner April 30th. Preschool families, more information to come!

Also this week our students dressed up as teachers for spirit day, collected snack packs for our food drive, our second graders went to see Tom Chapin on Tuesday AND we got new stop signs that light up to help keep our students safe (Tax Credit money). We welcomed February with a staff Step Challenge. Many students were inspired by this and are now tracking their own steps. In fact, I spoke to a student today who had over 7k steps by 9am!

Next week we welcome Watch DOGS Mr. Hirakawa and have our Glow Dance hosted by our amazing PTO on Friday, February 9. Our dance will begin at 6:00-8:00PM. Please bring any school supply as donation for your entry fee. RSVP to claim your free dinner ticket below. We can't wait to dance, dine and GLOW the night away!

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Important Information and Reminders:

- **PTO Members Wanted!** Our Colina PTO is looking for interest in 2024-2025 board members! Please email the Colina PTO at kyrenedelacolnapt@gmail.com if you are interested.
- **ESS Parent Transition Information Night-** Do you have questions about your child's transition from preschool to kindergarten? Or from 5th to 6th grade? Or from 8th grade to high school? Please join the Kyrene Exceptional Student Services team for presentations about each transition. Question and answer time will be available if needed. February 5, 2024, 5:00-6:00 pm. [Zoom Link](#). Please sign up here: [ESS Parent Transition Information Night sign up](#)
- **New Website Coming Soon!** Our school will soon be getting a whole new look! This March, Kyrene School District will be launching new district and school websites with improved search, simplified navigation and modern design. The new site will launch over spring break to minimize disruption for families. Thank you to everyone who took the web design survey or participated in focus groups. We look forward to bringing your vision to life! [Visit us online](#) to learn more about the key features of our new site.

Upcoming Important Dates:

- February 9th- Family Dance
- February 19th- President's Day No school
- February 26th- March 1st- Spring Book Fair
- March 4th-8th- Read Across America Week
- March 8th- Field Day and Lunch on the Lawn

Academically yours,

Emily Pieper, Principal

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